



The Ark of the Covenant

A Newsletter for the People of
The Memorial Church of St. Luke, the Beloved Physician &
All Saints Episcopal Church of Rhawnhurst
The Rev. Dr. Timothy Griffin, Rector

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The Memorial Church of St. Luke, the Beloved Physician

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SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
with music
Followed immediately by
refreshments and fellowship in
the parish hall.

Weekly Schedule

Thrift Store
Sundays 12:30 – 2:30 PM
in the church hall

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Monday – Friday 1:00 p.m.
Monday 7:00 p.m.
in the church hall

Contemplative Prayer

Wednesday 6:30 - 7:00 PM
Followed by Bible Study 7:00 –
8:30 PM

Celtic Eucharist with Healing
(suspended for the present)

Irish Dance Classes

Tuesdays and Thursdays
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
in the church hall

Tentative Guidelines for June

As we have all noticed, things are beginning to open up. In fact, some of the recent announcements by the CDC and the Diocese have surprised me because I expected a slower transition. I mention this because I want to emphasize that the Guidelines below are tentative.

All Saints:

We will continue to worship outside, weather permitting, through the summer. As long as we are outside, we need only wear our masks when coming forward to receive Communion. Although the number of people who may attend is increased when outdoors, I would still ask those who plan to attend to let Terry know so that she has a rough idea about the number of leaflets she needs to print.

When the weather requires us to move indoors, we will continue to wear masks, maintain social distancing, and observe the other established protocols. For the time being, at least there will be no singing and no coffee hour. The number who may attend is limited only by the needs of social distancing, but again I ask that you let Terry know so she can be adequately prepared.

I am hopeful that in July and August, we will open things up even more.

St. Luke's:

The later service time for St. Luke's means that we will be indoors most of the time. As a consequence, although the number of those who may attend will increase, it will continue to be limited by the demands of social distancing. In addition, we will continue to wear masks and there will be no congregational singing. There will also be no coffee hour through the summer.

Because of the restrictions on attendance, it will continue to be necessary for those planning to attend on Sunday let Terry know in advance.

I hope that some or all of these restrictions will be lifted or amended by September, if not before.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist,
Rite II, with music

Followed immediately by
refreshments and
fellowship in the
undercroft.

Weekly Schedule

Al-Anon

Wednesdays 7-8:30 p.m.
in the undercroft. Open
Meeting for Adults.

St. Paul's Anglicans

Sundays 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Bayit Abba Adonia

Thursdays 6 – 8:00 p.m.
Sundays 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Yoga

Saturdays 10 – 11:00 AM
(outside- weather
permitting)

Message from the Rector (continued)

I hope we are all able to enjoy something approaching a more normal summer and that the next couple of months will see us back to business as usual.

God Bless,
Fr. Tim

Message from Sebrum Morris, Senior Warden, All Saints

THE GOD IN US

God, the Almighty creator and preserver of the universe created humans in His own image with the ability to discern good from evil and right from wrong. He showered us with love and forgiveness by sacrificing His only begotten son so that mankind will have eternal life through Jesus Christ.

The God in us enable us to love and forgive one another so that He continues to love and forgive us. Because we are in the flesh and of our own accord, lack the required will to at times correctly love and forgive, God provided His commandments for us to trust and obey as there is no other way to His kingdom.

The God in us carries us through good and bad times and prepares a table before us in the presence of our enemies. The God in us keeps us up when we stumble and guide us along life's journey until God says well done thy true and faithful servant, come into my Everlasting kingdom.



All Saints - June

13	Koren Hermalik	18	Monica Bonk	21	Larry Kolk, III	25	Fr. Tim Griffin
14	Joanne Fulforth	18	Tappy	24	Tina Bachman	26	John Domanico
16	Aaron Lake						

St. Luke – June

1	Gail Hair	9	Elaine Weglewski	12	Kim Petrie	25	Richard Tindell
3	Mary Raysor	12	Don Shifflett	19	Mark Fisher	27	Nicole Noll
5	Bill Smith	12	Julia Gardiner	25	Fr. Tim Griffin	27	Lois Rowland



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

St. Luke's and All Saints are facing considerable expenses in the near future to maintain our buildings and grounds. The Vestry is asking each family that is able to contribute to the Capital Improvement Fund to help offset some of these costs.

St Lukes: asking for \$25 per quarter (\$100 annually) All Saints: asking for \$10 per month
(of course, anything you are able to give is greatly appreciated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ark Submissions – Please send any articles or news that you would like included in the Ark to the Church Administrator at stlukesoffice1946@gmail.com no later than noon on Monday, June 21st; the July Ark will be emailed and in church mailboxes by Sunday, June 27th.

Pastoral Concerns – Please contact Father Tim.

Vestry Meetings – St. Luke's: Monday, June 7th at 7:00 p.m.; All Saints: Monday, June 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Compline - Please consider joining us for Compline, which is held each night (Monday through Friday) at 8:30 p.m. It is a beautiful prayer that lasts about 10 minutes. If you are interested in joining, please let Father Tim know.

Jean Zekas - If you would like to send Jean a get well card, her address is:

15 Greenbriar Court
Harleysville, PA 19438



Dates For Your Calendar

Thrift Store

Closed until further notice (St. Luke's)

Prayer Requests

St. Luke's Prayer List- The prayer list is now being updated monthly. Please email **all** requests to **Caroline Cotugno** (pinevalleyfan@aol.com) and cc. **Terry Weikel** (stlukesoffice1946@gmail.com). You may also see Caroline in church or write in the book located at the church entrance, whenever indoor church services resume. **Member Requests:** please let us know when you need prayers, but also when you need to come off the prayer list. **Non Member Requests:** Please make your requests monthly, as names will be removed at the end of the month unless notification is received. **Please submit all July prayer requests by Monday, June 21st and the list will be updated by Sunday, June 27th.** Please note, as per Father Tim's request, we are only accepting names for the prayer lists, rather than praying for groups of people.

"To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing."

Martin Luther



All Saints, Rhawnhurst

Dawn Bachman
Margaret Baehr
Wayne Bindernagle
Jamie Campbell
Diane Celotto
Scott Clothier
Harry Coraluzzi
Regina Domanico
Dorothy Dugan

Irene Elia
Fr. Tim Griffin
Merle Hirschman
Massa Hunder
Ray Kaspar
Lisa Kimball
Denise Lalka
Frank Moore

Marion Morabito
Fr. Jim Morris
Sebrom T. Morris III
Walter Morris
The Robinsons
Nancy Strang
Jean Zekas
Jennifer Zekas

All of the families who lost
loved ones to Covid-19.

All of the victims who
succumbed to Covid-19.



St. Luke's

Elaine Woods
Genevieve Scott
Ruth Fischer
Joe Hanis
R. Lee Kostic
Jackie Oxenford
Patricia Cellini
Rosa Michnya
Susana Navarro
Charlene Segal
Robert Palma
Gerry
Peggy
Wendy
Vince
Ed
Sabrina
Robert
Steven
Stella
Joseph
Karlene
Vernon
Mark
Reethi
Chris
Henry
Michelle & Kenya

Gregory Park
Renato Cavaliere
Walburta Nelson
Bob Baur
Bob Carter
Bruce Sholley
Don Shifflett
Caroline Cotugno
Carol Mitchell
Marge Sharples.
Sidney
Justin & Emily
Becca
Lori
Pam
Robert
Emani & Erica
Anita
Anna
John
Bobbie
Suzanne
Janine
Brian
Vasu
Sherri
Evelyn

Elaine Black
Nancy M. Wright
Llyn Carter
JoAnn Runewicz
Rose Whaley
Meaghan Kriss
Aurelia Thorpe
Nancy Orlando
Dolores Howard
Deneen Raysor
Eileen
Denise
Evie
Audrey
Aissie
Roger
Marsha
Elizabeth
Patricia
Ricky
Betsy
Michelle
Jeannine
Warren
Meena
Christopher
Rudy

Alan Wilkinson
Fr. Tim
Laure Padian
Barbara Kaufold
Anna M. Pascarella
June Mueller
Thomas Duncavage
Patricia Gantz
Linda Roussis
George Mitchell
Tabitha
Augustine
Constance
Rosalind
Karen
Earl
James
William
Ruth
Caylee
Minerva
Connie
Othniel
Madu
Kala
The Rev. Randy
Brubaker

Message from Caroline Cotugno, St. Luke's

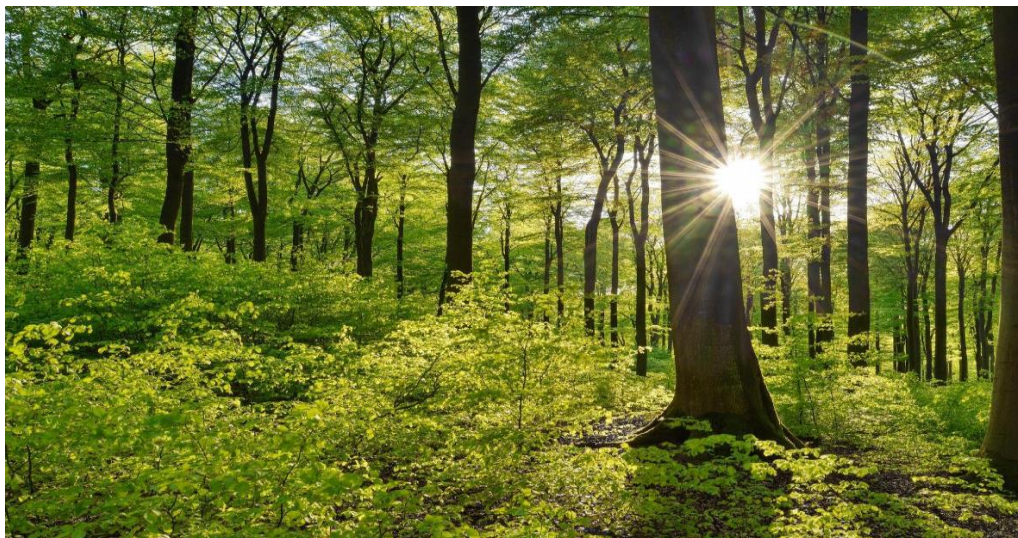
Rise Early By Macrina Wiederkehr

"Rise early when summer darkness still enwraps the trees.
Walk into the dark forest with only your attentive heart.
Gaze toward the east, take a deep breath, and wait.

After a short while you will see God carrying a lantern through the forest,
Bits of light bobbing up and down, in and out, higher and higher,
The light climbs, spilling over into the spaces between the leaves
And on into the world beyond the forest.

Then the beautiful darkness hands you over to the light.
It slips away reverently into the bark of the tree trunks,
Into the black earth, into all those other countries that wait for its return.

Lift your face to the daystar now. Experience the coming of dawn.
Bathed in morning light, pray that the lantern of your life move
gently this day into all those places where light is needed."



Jazz Night - All Saints' Torresdale, 9601 Frankford Avenue, is excited to offer the next installment in their Summer Family Series. On June 11th, Paul Johns and the Dave Hartl Trio will be performing in the All Saints' Field at 7:00 p.m. The event is open to the public and is free of charge. They will be accepting free-will donations to help defray the cost of the event.

JUNE 20TH:



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FATHER'S
DAY



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