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The Feast of the Epiphany

*On Sunday, January 3,
we will celebrate the beginning of the third and
final season in the Nativity Cycle of the Church Year,
which began with the seasons of Advent and Christmas.*



*The Season of
Epiphany
begins with the
visit of the Magi and
the manifestation of
our Lord Jesus Christ
to the whole world.*

*Please note that this marks a return to our regular Sunday schedule,
with services at 8:00 am, 9:15 am, 11:15 am, and 5:00 pm.*

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given of the Annual Meeting of St. Luke's Church, Granville, Ohio on Sunday, February 7, 2010. There will be an 8:00 am and a 10:00 am Holy Eucharist that morning, and the meeting will take place in the church, immediately following the 10 o'clock service. The purpose of the Annual Meeting shall be to elect Vestry members; to receive reports by the Rector, Vestry officers, and Organizations of the Parish; and to conduct any other business that can properly come before the meeting.

A nominating committee has been formed by the Vestry, whose members will place a slate of candidates for Vestry before the Annual Meeting. The terms of four members of the Vestry expire as of the Annual Meeting, so the congregation will be electing four new members to serve in their stead.

Lunch will be served upstairs immediately following the 10:00 am service. Child care will be provided for our children through 1:00 pm, and lunch will be served for them in the Undercroft.

Pulse of the Parish

Key things every St. Luke's member should know

At its December 8, 2009 meeting, the Vestry . . .

- unanimously approved the Organ Committee's proposal to spend up to \$12,000 of the Marilyn Boldon Music Ministry Organ Fund to purchase, move and temporarily store a used pipe organ to be installed at a later date in St. Luke's Church;
 - in preparation for the Annual Meeting (February 7), unanimously approved the 2010 Eligible Voter List that is published in this issue of *The Good News*;
 - discussed ways in which Mike Fisher could be retained as Senior Warden, even though his three-year Vestry term ends on February 7, 2010. This is desirable for three reasons, the most important being the fact that the Rector will be going on sabbatical leave beginning in June 2010, and during the time that he will be gone, the building renovation will still be under way, and the Capital Campaign will be winding down, both endeavors that would benefit from the continuity of leadership of our present Senior Warden. After considering alternatives, it was unanimously decided to pursue the following procedure in accordance with the Code of Regulations: The Parish will be asked to vote on the choice of Senior Warden at the Annual Meeting. A two-thirds vote for Mike Fisher will be needed for him to be re-elected. The reason for choosing this alternative is that the Code of Regulations can at any time be amended by a two-thirds vote, so that having Mike elected at the meeting by that vote would in essence be the same thing as amending Article III, Section A, but without continuing effect. Also, in accordance with the Code of Regulations, notice of the proposal will be sent to each voting member at his/her last known address at least two weeks prior to the meeting;
 - reviewed the November 2009 Executive Summary. Pledge income is light, but traditionally December has proven to be a good catch-up month. We are looking at a year-end deficit of about \$8,000, \$4,500 of which is due to the renovation costs associated with creating office space for the Assistant to the Rector, resulting in the necessity to create additional work stations on the first floor of the Parish House;
 - received the results of the 2010 Operating Pledge campaign to date, \$259,374 from 103 pledging units. If the remaining outstanding 2010 pledge cards come in at last year's level, we should exceed the proposed 2010 pledge income budget figure by over \$7600;
 - unanimously approved the 2010 Operating Budget as submitted by the Finance Committee. As expected during a capital campaign, the budget is flat – there are no cost of living increases, a necessary line item of \$400 was added to fund the new Pastoral Care Committee, and we are grateful for the Mission Share cap;
 - heard the most recent results of the Capital Campaign: 87 signed pledges, representing \$833,830. Included in these figures are 16 at-large gifts from the community totaling \$4885;
 - was updated on the progress of the Safety Task Force - Dick Baltisberger, Bill Wilken, and Bob Otter met with a local deputy and Chief Jim Mason of the Granville Police Department and walked through both buildings. A number of practical suggestions were made by the police. Bob Otter will prepare a report for the Vestry. A starting point will most likely be the creation of safety policies and procedures, and the implementation of those policies and procedures will drive the installation of any building security system;
 - heard from Father Applegate that Midstate Contractors, Inc. began the building renovation work on the Monday following Thanksgiving (November 30, 2009): scaffolding was erected; AEP moved their lines; the interior of the building is being covered with protective plastic sheeting during the week; and the roof shingles are being removed;
 - reviewed the work of the Rector's Sabbatical Committee (David Woodyard, Mike Fisher, Father Fehr, Jill LaNouette, Dagny Gelormo). There will be twelve weeks of leave – June and July 2010, and January 2011. Father Fehr will handle one month representing the time he would have covered the parish during Father Applegate's regularly scheduled vacation time (August 2010). It is recommended that a Sabbatical Interim be appointed to provide support during the other three months. The committee was commended for their work to date;
 - received reports from the various standing committees as follows:
- Historic Preservation:** The committee had a work day to pack up the church valuables, most of which are now stored at a Mathis Moving and Storage facility in Newark. The old chimney bricks have been removed from the 'attic' but probably are not in saleable condition. Professional appraisals are being sought for the Amzi Godden oils as well as for the other two primitives, and the Horace King portrait of Bishop Philander Chase;

Pulse of the Parish, cont'd

Membership: The Committee will begin 1st Sunday Celebrations in January, providing cake for the Coffee Hour, and recognizing those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries;

Outreach: The next Faith Mission dinner is scheduled for December 20. A sign-up sheet is in the Undercroft. It was noted that it was not too late to take an ornament from the Angel Tree, a project sponsored by the Outreach Committee in conjunction with Licking County Job and Family Services. The Meal-a-Month project has taken off – more than 30 persons are participating, enabling St. Luke's to serve dinner at the new St. Vincent de Paul men's shelter in Newark, three nights a month;

Pastoral Care: Dagny Gelormo has agreed to become the next chair of this committee, effective January 2010. She will succeed Ann Wood who has guided this committee through its first year;

Stewardship: The Turkey Trot check will be presented December 9, \$22,500 to benefit the Food Pantry Network of Licking County. There were 1062 runners/walkers this year. Kudos were expressed for Bruce Westall and his committee. Although the final accounting is not complete, the Festival of Trees is expected to net at least \$2000 for the Community Health Clinic in Newark;

Worship: The Worship Committee met to begin planning for the rest of the program year. During Epiphany,

the 9:15 talk will be designed as a teaching moment for the children; the 11:15 Eucharist will begin with Morning Prayer; an Ash Wednesday early morning service will be added; and Lay Eucharistic Visitors will be commissioned on January 10.

(Complete Vestry minutes are available by request to the Clerk.)

Other news of note . . .

e-giving is available at St. Luke's! Parishioners and other donors may access the option of giving by credit card, debit card, or direct transfers from checking or savings accounts. Go to the website - www.stlukesgranville.org, and click on **Contribute to St. Luke's**, or contact Marsha Hanes at the Parish Office for details.

Finances

The table below shows St. Luke's operating income and expenses through November 30, 2009. Please note, all negative numbers are shown in parentheses.

	Paid in '08	Jan-Jun	Jul-Oct	Nov	YTD 2009
Income	20,100	134,015	102,069	27,873	284,057
Expense	0	143,069	132,283	26,780	302,132
Net	20,100	(9,054)	(30,214)	1,093	(18,075)



Pledge income has not kept pace with budgeted expenses in 2009. As of November 30, 86% of the total amount pledged has been paid. Please make every effort to fulfill pledge commitments. Your faithful giving allows St. Luke's to meet budgeted commitments for the programs of the parish.

Marsha Otterstedt, CPA
 Financial Administrator
 for St. Luke's Financial Team
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Our Joyful Journey

St. Luke's has launched a Capital Campaign, the first major fundraising effort the parish has undertaken in several years. Our goal is to raise \$1.25 million to renovate our historic facilities, exercise responsible stewardship, and continue our commitment to care for the greater community. In short, we want to:

- **renovate the church,**
- **retire the Parish House debt, and**
- **expand outreach.**

We are using a compass graphic to provide regular updates on our progress toward our goal. To date, we've received commitments of \$872,130 from 94 households.

For more information, contact any member of the Campaign Steering Committee: Mike Fisher, Danielle Ford, Pat Ford, Fred Karaffa, Jill LaNouette, Dixon Miller, Laura Moller, Mark Moller, Gregg Parini, Alice Parini, Jean Schelhorn, Ginny Sharkey, Stephen Applegate, Campaign Administrator Marsha Hanes, or Chair Doug Boldon.

Due to an early mailing date, we did not have a current compass available.

Watch for the current compass in your Sunday service leaflet.

VOTING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

Article I, Section 3 of the Code of St. Luke's defines Communicants in Good Standing as follows: *All Communicants of St. Luke's Church who for the previous year have been faithful in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented, and have been faithful in working, praying, and giving financially to St. Luke's Church, are to be considered Communicants in Good Standing. This determination shall be made by the Rector and Wardens.*

Article II, Section 1E *Persons eligible to vote in the Annual Meeting shall be those 16 years of age or older who have been Communicants in Good Standing, as verified by Church records, for not less than six months preceding the day they wish to vote. A list of eligible voters, compiled by the Rector and approved by the Vestry, shall be available at the meeting. Ballots will be distributed only to eligible voters.*

According to the by-laws of the parish, Article II, Section 1E, those eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting are as follows:

Craig & Jeanne Abbott	Steve & Martha Daley	Bruce & Susan Johnson	Myra Malishenko Morris
Robert Abbott	Melissa DeHart	Michael & Marilyn Jung	Clyde & Chris Moss
Susan Angus	Howard Dellard	Bob Karaffa	Cathleen Moulton
Terry Applegate	Tim & Marcia Dennison	Alec Karaffa	Jack Muller &
Pat Arant	Jo Helen DePue	Lauren Karaffa	Angie Currens Muller
Rodger Asmus	Karen Dowdy-Fullin	Tracee Laing Karaffa	Keith & Patty Myers
Dick & Mary Jean Baltisberger	Jon & Marcia Downes	Fred & Jane Karaffa	Danielle Myers
Rick & Jane Baltisberger	Linda Dragonette	Stan Kauchak & Debbie Wenzel	Brent Myers
Sarah Baltisberger	Burge & Mary Evans	Anne Kauffman	Jackie O'Keefe
Peg Bammann	Scott & Cathy Evans	John Kauffman &	Bob & Lee Otter
Bob & Angela Barker	Boyd & Renate Fackler	Tom Wortham	Gregg & Alice Parini
Bo Pope	Randy & Nancy Fannin	Paul & Cindy Kikeli	Thomas Irvin
Anthony Pope	Claudia Fergang	Jim & Mary Kishler	Andrew Irvin
Jessica Pope	Luke Fergang	Bob & Pat Landman	Joe Parini
Maggie Barno	Hannah Fergang	Greg & Jill LaNouette	Solomon Parini
Mark & Carrie Barno	Mike Fisher &	Evan LaNouette	Mary Peck
Brad & Sheryl Bateman	Sally McClaskey	Trevor LaNouette	Susan Pierce
Henry Bateman	Abby Fisher	Alan & Susan Larimer	Russ & Susan Potter
Thomas Bateman	Lesley Fisher	Zoe Latimer	Hugh Potter
Lee Biciunas	Wendy Flowers	Steve & Michele Layman	Ruth Potter
Doug & Marilyn Boldon	Pat & Danielle Ford	Dan & Sarah Leavell	Evelyn Presley
Ric Bolton & Becky Rugg	Leon & Bev Gage	Maria Leavell	Dorothy Price
Glen & Sarah Brich	Jo-anne Geiger	Becca Leavell	Jason & Sarah Ray
Harry Brich	Mark & Dagny Gelormo	Gail Loehnert	Dave & Dee Richards
Greig & Robin Brown	Dave & Paula Getreu	Chris & Mary Lucas-Miller	Ken & Deven Rittenhouse
Suzanne Brungart	Jackie Gingrich	Denise Mack	Linda Sandin
Nancy Burdick	Paul & Amy Hamilton	Jim Mack	Derek Sandin
Michael & Ashlin Caravana	Marcus Hamilton	Sam Mack	Ron & Margo Santoni
Nick Caravana	Carla Hammer	Cindy Mackin	Matt Scavo
Carole Carlisle	Bill & Marsha Hanes	Doris Mavis	Fred Schelhorn
John & Renee Cassell	Rob & Patty Harklau	Paige McCall	Jean Schelhorn
Judy Chambers	Halle Harklau	Jean McCalmont	Sandy Schirmer
Joe & Diane Charles	Yvette Harklau	Sheila McGrath	Brad & Amanda Schneider
Millie Charron	Bev Harris	Liz McIntosh	George Seitz
Jennifer Cochran-Mosquera	Jessen & Beth Havill	Evan McKenna	Greg & Ginny Sharkey
Juancito Mosquera	Scott Hayes	Ray & Lyn McKenna	Samantha Sharkey
Aisha Mosquera	Ann Hendry	Jim McKivergin	Dylan Sharkey
Bill Collins	Hal Hodson	Keith & Courtney McWalter	Charles Shelton
Dominick Consolo	Bill & Cherie Holland	Rachel Meister	Lucy Shutt
Kitty Consolo	Gretchen Hollingsworth	Steve & Barb Mighton	Penny Sitler
Jean Coombs	Al Huggins	Stacey Mighton	Mark Smith &
Stuart Coombs	John Hunter & Karen Goodell	Laura Miley	Liz Barringer-Smith
Nancy Cordo	Lynda Hutras	Dixon Miller	
Peggy Corrigan	Jimi James & Mary Raysa	Mark & Laura Moller	
Mary Cox	Jocelyn Jackson	Sam Moller	

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VOTING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, cont'd

Evie Stark	Phyllis Sylvester	Barbara Vockel	Janet White
William Steinman & Bari Watkins	Nancy Taggart-Bowers	Hedda Windisch von Goeben	Clarke & Sara Jean Wilhelm
Harriett Stone	Matthew Tidwell & Liz Weiser	Debi Walker	Bill Wilken
John & Julie Strohmeyer	Rebecca Thomas	Tom & Linda Weeks	Geoff & Diana Wilson
Peter Strohmeyer	Elizabeth Thomas	Bart & Julianna Weiler	Stephen Wilson
John Taylor Strohmeyer	Heather Titley	Linda Weiler	Alenlia Woerner
Lydia Strohmeyer	Mary Tuominen	Bruce & Lisa Westall	Ann Wood
		Liza Wheeler	

Music

A "NEW" ORGAN FOR ST. LUKE'S

By now, many of you may have heard from a member of the Organ Committee, Vestry, or the choirs about the possibility of St. Luke's purchasing a pipe organ. This month, the Muller Pipe Organ Company will remove a 10 rank 1953 Schantz pipe organ from St. John Lutheran Church in Williston, Ohio, and place it in storage in their shop. St. Luke's will own a "new" pipe organ!

The Schantz organ has 10 sets of pipes (a set - or rank - is usually at least 61 pipes), and a total of 713 pipes. The Schantz organ's stops represent all four families of organ tone - four of principal tone, three of string tone, two of flute tone, and one of reed tone.

For comparison, the former Austin organ had 4 sets of pipes, and a total of 316 pipes, about half of which were not functioning in 2006 when the organ was decommissioned. These four ranks represented only three families of organ tone - one of principal tone, two of string tone, and one of flute tone.

The story of this Schantz organ is somewhat unique, especially for the history of the Muller Pipe Organ Company, for which I currently am Tonal Director. The Muller Company represented the Schantz Company for many years, and the instrument was originally sold by Henry Muller in 1952 to St. John Lutheran. The Schantz Organ Company is the largest and oldest pipe organ builder still under the ownership of the founding family. Schantz is a major national builder and restorer of pipe organs. Their facilities are located in Orrville, Ohio.

Unfortunately, the positioning of the organ in that church and the church's acoustic constituted a situation in which the sound produced did not project effectively. Recently, the Schantz organ was replaced by a new electronic substitute. In October, a friend who was familiar with the Schantz, encouraged me to take a look at it. I traveled to Williston to examine it, found that it was of an exceptionally high quality, and felt confident that it was a good fit for St. Luke's.

The organ had been on the market for several months, during which time it became increasingly apparent that, if St. Luke's was going to have a pipe organ in its immediate future, a used instrument was the only option. Purchasing this instrument for St. Luke's is just one step of many in having the grand sounds of a pipe organ again grace our worship services.

We are thankful that the Organ Fund has sufficient money to purchase the organ, and remove it to storage. The next steps are raising the money to strengthen the balcony to accommodate additional weight, making any necessary changes to the organ to make it fit in the space available, and installing it. In the next 10 - 15 years, we will need to replace the leather on the 1953 components of the organ, and possibly, at that time, add a few additional ranks of pipes.

The Organ Committee and the Organist-Choirmaster offer heartfelt thanks to the many individuals who have made gifts of all sizes and kinds to make this purchase possible! Your support will help make this instrument a reality in the not-too-distant future.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Scott G. Hayes
Organist-Choirmaster stlukesmusic@gmail.com.

From the Rector

Good Bones . . .

Although it was cold during the middle part of December (and, therefore, less than ideal weather to be a “sidewalk superintendent” of the church construction project), I found myself ducking out of the Parish House from time to time to watch the men who have been working on the church. Once the scaffolding and safety equipment was erected, the progress has been steady.

First, most of the wood shingles came off from both the east and west sides of the roof. The crane operator from Midstate Contractors hoisted a small dumpster up to the level where the work was being done. Shingles were loaded into the dumpster, which then was carefully brought down to the back of the truck parked in the alley between the church and the Historical Society Museum. This process happened again and again for the better part of a couple of days.

The workers exposed a 10-foot length of roof each time so that they could cover it with roofer’s felt before opening up the next section. At one point, the bricks from the old chimney that had been resting on a piece of plywood in the attic were taken out and brought down to where they now sit on a pallet in the back churchyard.

With the roof off, Midstate has begun the next phase – opening the side walls along the eaves of the church and cutting through the siding in various places where steel structural elements will be inserted to give better support to the roof structure of the church.

I went out one Thursday afternoon after a large portion of the siding had been taken off the southeast corner of the building and talked with the guys who were working on it. I could see into the area around the Altar Guild sacristy. The lath and plaster were visible, and I could inspect the long, straight wooden members of the sidewalls. It turns out that they are oak – great long, straight pieces of wood. I imagine that they were cut from local trees and milled locally. Side walls of buildings aren’t built like that anymore. There isn’t wood like that available, for one thing, and construction techniques have changed considerably.

What I realized was that I was looking at the “bones” of the church building – the structural elements that lie behind and beneath the exterior and interior facades. I don’t have any idea when these “bones” were last exposed, maybe when the building was originally built, but it seems good to see them and to know the church has “good bones.”

When people say that an old house has “good bones,” they are usually referring to a fixer-upper whose foundation is strong and whose structural elements are solid. The wood used for the beams and framing is good and the pieces are nailed together well so they won’t come apart. St. Luke’s certainly has “good bones” in that way – although time and moisture have taken their toll. (We wouldn’t be doing all this work otherwise.)

But I want to suggest that St. Luke’s has “good bones” in another, very different way. And, as you may have guessed, I’m not talking about the building. I’m talking about the strength of our congregation and of our common life. I’m talking about the kind of thing St. Paul talked about when he wrote about building the church in Corinth:

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

(I Corinthians 3:10-12)

St. Luke’s had steady growth in 2009, Spirit-filled worship, tremendous participation in our outreach programs, and generous financial support. We have groups praying, studying scripture, and wrestling with how to be faithful in an increasingly complex world. The Vestry and Committees have provided thoughtful, careful leadership and have been good stewards of the human and financial resources with which we’ve been entrusted. The staff - Tom Fehr, Sally McClaskey, Scott Hayes, Marsha Hanes, Marilyn Boldon, and Marsha Otterstedt - are daily blessings who support all we do with excellence and humor. Anyone who looks more deeply into our parish life can see that we have “good bones” – really “good bones.”

And as I’ve thought and prayed about this fact, and given thanks for it, I’ve been reminded who the foundation of this church is. The foundation is the same foundation that Paul talks about being laid for the church in Corinth all those centuries ago. Let’s give thanks for all the blessings we share here – a firm foundation, good bones, and work to accomplish in a New Year.

Blessings,
Stephen Applegate

From the Assistant to the Rector Where in the World is Fr. Fehr?

Thirty-four days and counting (as of the deadline for submitting articles for *The Good News*) until I depart for my return trip to Kenya! I am returning to visit my family in Kenya: John, Susan, George, and my new niece, Marci (5 months). I met John, a priest in the Anglican Church of Kenya (ACK), while he was working on a Masters at Trinity Lutheran Seminary. We formed a close friendship, and when I was in Kenya in January 2009, I bonded likewise with his family. I have been adopted by them and given the Kikuyu name Muraya, which means tall!

On this return trip, I am truly going home. Besides my visit with family, I will also be further exploring life in the ACK, deepening friendships started last January and exploring areas for future collaboration in the mission of the church.

On Sunday, February 21, I will share some reflections on my experiences in Kenya (you can be sure there will be photos of Marci!) as we kick off a five-week series on the church in Africa. The following three Sundays will include reflections on the church in Zimbabwe by Michael Dube, Lutheran pastor, historical/Anglican connections between the African churches and our own by the Rev. Dr. John Karanja, a priest in the Anglican Church in Kenya and church history professor at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, and the Rev. Abeoseh Flemister, priest of the diocese who will speak about the proposed companion relationship with the Episcopal Church of Liberia. I will close the series by leading us in a conversation about why our relationships with our African sisters and brothers matter.

Our guests will also be preaching the day of their visit at the following services: February 28 – Michael Dube (9:15), March 7 – John Karanja (11:15) and March 14 – Abeoseh Flemister (11:15).

I hope you will plan to join us for what promises to be an exciting series.

Tom Fehr

Worship

Eucharistic Visitors

On January 10, we will commission ten parishioners who have been trained and licensed by the diocese to serve as Eucharistic Visitors. They will represent the community each Sunday as they visit those who are not able to be present due to illness or injury. The Eucharistic Visitors will share with those they visit the Bread and the Cup shared by the community at the Sunday Eucharist.

Please contact the parish office to request a visit. Father Fehr will be responsible for scheduling each week's visits. This is a very important ministry; please pray for those to be commissioned.

Morning Prayer and The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 am in Epiphany

In response to those who miss the Daily Office of Morning Prayer, the Worship Committee is planning to begin our celebration of The Holy Eucharist with Morning Prayer on the Epiphany Sundays, January 10, 17, 24, and 31, and February 14. The entire service will be celebrated according to Rite One, using the traditional language familiar to many of us in the Morning Prayer canticles. Morning Prayer takes the place of The Service of the Word in the Eucharist, thereby adding only a small amount of time to the Rite Two format which we normally celebrate. Morning Prayer was once the chief Sunday service in most Anglican churches, Holy Communion being celebrated only once each month. This practice changed in most churches with the coming of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, which declared The Holy Eucharist to be "the principal act of Christian worship on the Lord's Day" (BCP p.13). Please note that, on February 7, the day of the Annual Meeting, The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two will be celebrated at 10:00 am.

Education Sundays for Children

During the education hour, 10:15 - 11:00 am, Church School for students in Pre-K through grade 6 takes place upstairs in the Parish House; students in grades 7-12 are invited to gather downstairs in the Parish House for informal conversation. **Continue to bring your aluminum cans to fund our next outreach project.**

The Middle School Youth Group for youth in grades 6, 7, & 8 will meet on Sunday, January 24, 6:00 pm, upstairs in the Parish House. Dinner will be provided.

Sally McClaskey

Director of Christian Education sally3mac@adelphia.net or 587-0506.

The High School Youth Group

The High School and Middle School Youth Groups hosted my friend from Zimbabwe, Pastor Michael Dube, on Sunday, November 15. We had a record attendance: 22 youth and 5 adults. Michael and I spent the afternoon preparing a traditional meal of beef, goat (courtesy of the Wilson's), collard greens, soup and the staple food of isitshwala, which is made of corn meal. Michael also showed us how to eat in the traditional style – with our hands! Not one person asked for a fork.

After dinner, Michael spoke to us about the church in Zimbabwe, which must minister to its people in very difficult circumstances. His story included accounts of his family's struggles and the political turmoil in Zimbabwe, which he documented with some rather graphic photos.

On Sunday, December 6, Dr. Wendy Flowers, a parishioner who, in her professional career as a psychologist specialized in trauma cases, led the group in a discussion about their experience of Michael Dube's presentation. Pastor Dube graciously agreed to join us again for this follow-up discussion. It soon became evident that our youth were touched deeply by Pastor Dube's presentation. In addition helping the youth process their experience of secondary trauma, Dr. Flowers also taught some skills that can be used to cope with any trauma. We are considering how we might find a way to help the people in Zimbabwe.

Holiday events included a field trip to Wildlights at the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium on December 20, and a New Year's lock-in is on the schedule for January 1.

Tom Fehr

Education Opportunities for Adults

The Potluck & Bible Study will meet in the Parish House on Sunday, January 3, at 6:00 pm. The group, with Father Fehr, continues a study of Mark's Gospel. All are welcome to join the group at any time. If you are coming for the first time, contact Marilyn Boldon at mboldon@roadrunner.com or 587-2937, or 740-507-4585. The group sometimes cancels if several members are unable to be present, so check to be sure the group is meeting.

The Women's Bible Study will meet on Mondays, January 11 & 25, at 7:00 pm in the Undercroft. The group will continue their study of the Old Testament with an historical perspective. Father Applegate and Christine Pae, PhD, assistant professor of Christian Ethics at Denison, will alternatively lead these discussions. We invite all women of St. Luke's to join us. It should appeal to all, whether you have been well versed in the Old Testament or are studying it for the first time. You may bring your own Bible or use one of the copies available in the Undercroft. If you have any questions, please contact Patty Myers at pkmyers@adelphia.net or 587-2796.

Membership

Please join us on January 17 for the quarterly New Member Recognition. At that time we will welcome Monica Fiore; Barbara Ashton and her children, Allen and Karen; Bill and Chris Dargusch, and Ben, Kathleen, Tobias, Lucia, and Broden Burt.

Beginning in January, the Membership Committee will provide a sheet cake for the Coffee Hour on the first Sunday of each month. At this "First Sunday Celebration" we will display the names of all members who have a birthday or anniversary in that month. If you have not provided the church office with those important dates in your life, we hope you will do so.

The Membership Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Parish House. The next meeting will be held on January 5.

Patty Myers, Chair
The Membership Committee
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WELCOMING OUR NEWEST MEMBERS. . .

Bill and Chris Dargusch bring with them a wealth of education, experience and interests. From BookLetters.com (Chris), a service designed to help libraries use the internet to their best advantage, to Metropolitan Partners (Bill), a real estate development company, to being active with Easter Seals of Central and Southeast Ohio, these Columbus natives still find time for golf and Chris, for needlework. Bill has served as vestry member, junior and senior warden, Church School teacher, and has been a member of various committees including endowment, education, and capital campaign.

Also joining us are the Burt family – Ben, Kathleen, Tobias, Lucia, and Broden. Ben is in sales/sales management, putting to good use his BA from Miami of Ohio. Kathleen holds an MFA from NYU, and danced with the Prometheus Dance Company in Boston. While child rearing is their first priority, they find time to enjoy basketball, Buckeye football, and camping.

Welcome to St. Luke's!

Friday Feeders

On January 8, at 7:00 pm, Friday Feeders will gather at The Grill On 21st (1671 N. 21st Street). If you're planning to go, or if you need transportation, or have any questions, please contact Cherie Holland at hollichierie@roadrunner.com, or at 587-0091.

Needlers

This group usually meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Undercroft. If you like to gather with friends to work on your current needlework project, join them on January 6. Many of our needlepoint kneelers were made by members of this group. Call Yvette Harklau at 587-3011, for further information.

January Outreach . . . Opportunities to Serve

“Participating in the community of care and justice envisioned in the Gospels”

Thanks to everyone for your continued support of Outreach activities. 2009 was a year of great need, and you compassionately responded accordingly. We were blessed by so many people helping to put on events, supporting events, creating new opportunities, and especially by YOU who gave so much so often.

Thanks to all who supported the **Turkey Trot**, raising \$22,500 for **The Food Pantry Network of Licking County**; and the **Festival of Trees**, raising \$2,650 for **The Community Health Clinic**. Thanks also to those who prepared food for and served over 300 persons on December 20 at **Faith Mission**, a shelter for persons in Franklin County who are homeless, and to those who purchased requested items for the persons whose names were on our **Angel Tree**.

THIS MONTH'S OPPORTUNITIES

For those who are hungry . . .

- First Baptist Church, Granville, in cooperation with Trinity Episcopal Church, Newark, has been **preparing sack lunches** on the fourth Sunday of each month to distribute to the hungry on the Courthouse Square. Numbers are increasing (they are now preparing 200+ lunches), and donations are encouraged. Checks: St. Luke's Church; memo line: FBC-MSAC.
- **The Food Pantry Network:** Suggested items for this month are canned meats, tuna, and dinner helpers. If you would rather give money, write a check to St. Luke's Church and on the memo line write Food Pantry Network.

Other efforts . . .

- As Christians, we want to walk every day in the footsteps of Jesus, doing **Random Acts of Kindness**. Many have joined us in reaching out and responding to those in need - family members, neighbors, and others in the larger community - by making a commitment to participate in St. Luke's *Random Acts of Kindness*. Take a card from one of the information tables to post at home as a reminder. The Outreach Committee is making available *Kindness Stamps* for the bulletin board to acknowledge and make others aware of your helping and caring for another, or receiving help and care yourself. Please also write a *Sharing Card* about a kindness you received, and post it on the bulletin board so others will know that God is at work at St. Luke's. *Cards* do not need to be signed.

If you wish to donate money to any Outreach-supported event, write a check to St. Luke's Church, and, on the memo line, write the name of the organization to which you wish the money to go.

The Outreach Committee is very grateful for the willingness of St. Luke's members to assist those in need. You are always welcome at any of our meetings (2nd Wednesday of even-numbered calendar months) or to contact any of our members about the initiatives we choose to support.

The first meeting of the year will be on February 10, 7:00 pm in the Parish House. At this meeting, we will begin deliberations on how we will put to use the Capital Campaign monies, a tithe - 10 % of each contribution - which has been allocated, in accordance with our Capital Campaign goals, to the Bancroft Fund, interest on which supports our outreach programs. Any input on this disbursement would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to be a part of the discussion about an effective use of these monies, please join us.

Jimi James, Chair

The Outreach Committee jimi@ohheron.com

Property, Building, and Grounds

HELP NEEDED WITH ICE AND SNOW REMOVAL

Last winter the church spent \$1274 for deicing the walks (17 times for a total of \$884) and for snow removal (six times for a total of \$390). We had an open-ended contract with no limit on either the deicing or snow removal and the above dollars are as a result. The previous winter we spent \$300, however, the person did no deicing and was not always careful on completing the snow removal. We changed contractors because we wanted a better and more complete job, but the cost was very high.

This year, I have contracted the snow removal with "Mowtivated" Mowers for considerably less than our cost in 2009. The agreement is that they will come when the snow is more than one-half inch deep. Only time will tell how productive this arrangement will be. I have decided that I will blow the snow with my hand blower when the depth is less than 1/2 inch. I will apply salt as needed, because I felt that 15 deicing days in January of 2009 was a little excessive. Deicer is kept at the foot of the basement stairs, and is best applied the evening before freezing occurs the following morning. This does not always work because on Saturday, December 12, it rained all night, washed off the salt and froze on Sunday morning, December 13!

Many "nuisance" snows of less than 1/2 inch occur. I am asking if one or two persons have time during the week to come to the church and help with blowing the light snow off the walk. Ideally, someone else would have a hand blower besides me. I hope the blower will handle the job, but shoveling some snow may be necessary if the snow is too sticky. I have blown snow once this winter on December 10, and it worked fine. The Village blows the Opera House Park walks next door, and usually blows the walk to the Parish House and the elevator to the church. Throwing some salt on the walks and particularly the steps to the church is also necessary. Volunteers might trade off weeks with me, so I can have some breaks during the winter.

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Rector and Staff

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The Reverend Thomas J. Fehr, Assistant to the Rector
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 Sally McClaskey, Director of Christian Education
 Marsha Hanes and Marilyn Boldon, Parish Administrators
 Marsha Otterstedt and Marsha Hanes, Financial Administrators
 Abigail Fisher, Webmaster Mike & Vicky Wieber, Sextons

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Senior Warden, Mike Fisher	587-0506
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Parish Family News

We give thanks for the life of Dr. Arthur Applegate, father of the Reverend Stephen H. Applegate, and for the life of Kathy Shoemaker, sister of LindaMay Watkins, dear friend of the Reverend Thomas J. Fehr, and we pray for God's comfort for their families and friends.

We welcome our newest members, Bill and Chris Dargusch, and Ben, Kathleen, Tobias, Lucia, and Broden Burt.

Congratulations to Casey Seitz, grandson of George and Dorothy Seitz, on having attained the rank of Eagle Scout.

We celebrate the ministries of the Rev. Ed Burdick, our 17th Rector, who observes the 55th anniversary of his ordination on January 23; and of the Rev. Jack Bowers, whose 43rd ordination anniversary is on January 25.

Congratulations to Mary Raysa, who has been granted postulancy for the vocational diaconate by Bishop Breidenthal. Postulancy is the first formal diocesan step on the journey toward ordination.

On Sunday, January 17 at 5:00 pm, Scott Hayes will perform music of Bach, Stanford, Howells, Whitlock, and Mulet in Christ Church Cathedral's Organ Recital Series. The Cathedral is located at 318 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati (513-621-1817, www.christchurchcincinnati.org).

SAVE THE DATE

What: Raise the Roof for St. Luke's Church
When: Friday Evening, January 15
Where: Heritage Hall at Granville Presbyterian Church
Who: Twilight Junction, The Embers, and the Brian Lewis Band - In concert
Why: To benefit the ongoing renovation of St. Luke's Church