



2023 FALL EVENTS

We are excited to kick off this new season with opportunities to meet new friends, grow in our faith, and make a difference in our community.



Welcome

"To know and be known."



The Christian faith functions through a kind of reciprocity of knowing. God knows us, and it is because of that we seek to know God.

Jesus knows us as a shepherd knows his sheep, and we seek to know Jesus in return. Likewise, **the church is meant to be a community built upon the willingness to get to know one another and to be known by one another.** That depth of relationship is fundamental to who we are.

As we embark upon a new program year, we have decided to take as our organizing theme the phrase, "to know and be known." We know the pandemic fractured communities and exacerbated feelings of individualism, isolation, and loneliness. We want to continue to stitch the spirit of mutuality back into our common life. We also know that we begin this new year with many new faces on our staff and in our pews. The composition of our parish family and leadership is different than it was a few years ago. We want to be intentional about helping everyone get to know one another and come to care for and about each other. We will also have a new building to celebrate and get to know and we will be endeavoring to help orient you to it so that it can begin to feel like a place of comfort and home. It is our hope this theme will help us strengthen the ties of faith and love that bind us to God and to one another here at Christ & St. Luke's.

In these pages are many chances for receiving the gift of knowing and being known. We hope you will hold onto this booklet and refer to it frequently so you can join us as often as you can for the various opportunities coming up this fall.

Fr. Noah



Celebrating Our Space

No hard hats required!

Save the date for an open house sneak peek at our new building: **Nov. 4, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for a sneak peek at the (nearly finished) renovations of our treasured church buildings! We've been covered in plastic sheeting for a while now, but for this special event, we'll pull back the curtain to reveal new spaces for a new day!



Lloyd Hall is looking good with new flooring, lights, cabinetry, and more

Join us for refreshments and tours of the new music spaces, staff offices, kitchen, and lower Lloyd Hall along with The Williams Preschool at Christ & St. Luke's. **No hard hats required!**





Liturgy & Music

Sing to the Lord a new song!

Worship and music are at the heart of who we are and what we do at Christ & St. Luke's. In addition to our excellent adult choir and thriving youth Chorister program, this fall we are pleased to offer a **Cherub Choir** for our youngest singers ages 4-7 years old. Find out more by contacting Kevin Kwan (kevin.kwan@christandstlukes.org).

Our longstanding tradition of opening our doors to the community continues as **Sacred Music in a Sacred Space** presents another season of great music. In collaboration with the Urban Renewal Center, we are pleased to launch our season on September 24 with pianist Anthony Olds, Sr. who will showcase his talents on our magnificent Steinway D piano. Audience-favorite Dorothy Papadakos will return on October 20 for the third year accompanying a silent movie on the big screen, this year, *The Hunchback on Notre Dame*. This performance will highlight our stunning organ, recently renovated and restored. In addition, we are pleased to present the region's best talent with the Virginia Chorale, as well as the annual Stephen Coxe and Friends concert. Our choirs will again present moving liturgies on All Souls' Day, Advent Lessons and Carols, and Christmas Eve.

We invite you to join us for another wonderful year of music making!



Scan this code for more info about our Sacred Music in a Sacred Space concert series.

September Calendar

Sunday, Sept. 10

Homecoming Sunday and Newcomers' Brunch

Sunday, Sept. 17, 11:30 a.m.

Second Annual Ministry Fair in the Lychgate Garden

Sunday, Sept. 24, 9:15 a.m.

Adult Formation Begins

"Getting to Know the Apostle Paul" with Fr. Noah. See p. 11 for details.

Sunday, Sept. 24

Episcopal 101 will gather after the 10:15 a.m. service and coffee hour

Episcopal 101 is a basic introduction to life and worship in the Episcopal Church. It is highly recommended for those considering joining the church and coming from other traditions, or anyone who wants to know more about what we do and why we do it.

Sunday, Sept. 24, 6:00 p.m.

Black Sacred Music concert featuring pianist Anthony Olds, Sr.





The Very Rev. Dr. Robert Willis

Dean Emeritus of Canterbury Cathedral



This fall, we are thrilled to welcome one of the world's premier Christian leaders, The Very Rev. Robert Willis, Dean Emeritus of Canterbury Cathedral. Dean Robert served as the Dean of Canterbury Cathedral from 2001–2022 and during that time oversaw the mother church of the Anglican Communion and its many schools, ministries, and programs.

He and his partner, Fletcher Banner, also achieved notoriety during the COVID-19 pandemic for their daily broadcasts of Morning Prayer from around their home and gardens, providing people across the world with a spiritual anchor in a time of fear, isolation, and uncertainty.

Dean Robert will be speaking with us on Saturday, Oct. 21, for an evening fundraising event to benefit scholarship aid for our 2025 UK Choir Tour and Pilgrimage (which includes a week in residence at Canterbury Cathedral). Dean Robert will also be our guest preacher on Sunday, Oct. 22, at both our Sunday morning liturgies, and he will lead our adult formation class as well.

Make a point to join us the weekend of Oct. 21–22 as we welcome and learn from one of the Church's dearest and most faithful leaders.



October Calendar

Sunday, Oct. 1

Youth Sunday

On this special Sunday we will celebrate the youth of our parish by having them lead us in all areas of our worship.

Sunday, Oct. 1, 4:00 p.m.

Blessing of the Animals

Join us for this fun, festive, furry event in the Lychgate Garden. Bring your animal friends of all sorts for a time of prayer, song, blessings, and treats for everyone.

Thursday, Oct. 5, 6:00 p.m.

First Thursday Supper at the home of B.J. and Tim Taylor

Sunday, Oct. 15

Patronal Feast of St. Luke

Sunday, Oct. 15, 4:00 p.m.

enCHANTing: Duruflé Requiem with the Virginia Chorale

Friday, Oct. 20, 7:00 p.m.

The Hunchback of Notre Dame silent movie with Dorothy Papadakos

Saturday, Oct. 21, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

An Evening with Dean Robert Willis, Dean Emeritus of Canterbury Cathedral. This will be a ticketed event. Cost, location, and other details will be announced soon.

Sunday, Oct. 22

“Anglicanism: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow” Formation Series begins. Dean Robert Willis, guest teacher. See page 11 for details.



Family, Youth & Children

Come grow with us!

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."

This scripture is the heart of Family, Youth & Children's Ministry at Christ & St. Luke's. In order to be sure our families, youth and children are fully integrated in the life of the church, opportunities abound to know and be known by God and other members of the community.

On Sunday mornings, **childcare** is available from 9:00-11:30 a.m. for all ages. Families have the option of children returning to "big" church during announcements so they can receive communion. **Children's formation** begins at 9:15 a.m. for children 3 years old and up. **Children's Chapel**, a time of prayer, worship, and song, begins at 10:15 a.m. for children ages 3-8 years old. These children rejoin their families at the peace.

Our middle and high school students gather the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Special events such as a retreat, a day at Busch Gardens, and meeting with other youth in the diocese are interspersed with regular gatherings.

Contact Kathy Hanna (kathy.hanna@christandstlukes.org) for more information.





November Calendar

Thursday, Nov. 2, 5:30 p.m.

First Thursday Supper at the home of Rod Ingram and Dan Hunt

Saturday, Nov. 4, 3:00 p.m.

Open House: Sneak Peek!

Sunday, Nov. 5

All Saints' Sunday with The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Sunday, Nov. 5, 5:30 p.m.

All Souls' Requiem Eucharist featuring Eleanor Daley's *Requiem*

Thursday, Nov. 9, 6:00 p.m.

Dinners for Eight

This fellowship opportunity pairs people new to the parish with longer term members for small table discussions over dinner. If you are interested in participating in this new ministry contact The Rev. Katie Beth Miksa (katiebeth.miksa@christandstlukes.org) for more details.

Friday, Nov. 17, 7:30 p.m.

Stephen Coxe and Friends Concert

Sunday, Nov. 19

Bishop's Visitation with Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation

Thursday, Nov. 23, 10:15 a.m.

Thanksgiving Day Eucharist



Newcomers & Fellowship

Welcome! You belong.



If you are a newcomer to the church, welcome!

I'm Mtr. Katie Beth, and as a newcomer myself, I invite you to join me in learning more about our faith community through the quarterly Newcomers' Brunch, First Thursday Suppers, and special Dinners for Eight (a small table talk experience) happening in November.

Interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church in general or what it might mean to join Christ & St. Luke's? Consider signing up for Episcopal 101 (starting Sept. 24 following the 10:15 service) or reach out to any clergy person. At Christ & St. Luke's, you belong.





Adult Formation Highlights

Getting to know the Apostle Paul

Sept. 24 - Oct. 15, 9:15 - 10:00 a.m.

After Jesus, no one did more for the establishment of the Christian religion and the building up of the early Church than the apostle Paul. He was a missionary, a theologian, a preacher, a teacher—even a fundraiser! And yet, there still remains much mystery in his life story and in his writings that is worth delving into. In this four-week series, taught by Fr. Noah, we are going to try to get to know Paul better by examining his biography and letters.

Anglicanism: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

Oct. 22 - Nov. 12, 9:15 - 10:00 a.m.

The Episcopal Church is a member of the global Anglican Communion. This formation series, led by Fr. Jared, will explore the implications of our Anglican identity. We'll review some historical markers that impact who we are today, and put into context some of the distinct natures of Anglicanism in the 21st century which will guide us into the future. Kicking off this series is a conversation with The Very Rev. Dr. Robert Willis, Dean Emeritus of Canterbury Cathedral, the mother church of the Anglican Communion. By understanding who we are and where we come from, we can better understand where God is calling us next.

Episcopal 101

Sept. 24 - Nov. 5, 11:30 a.m.

This class is a wonderful way for anyone in our community to explore the Episcopal tradition and deepen their faith. It also serves as a preparatory course for those seeking confirmation or reception into the Episcopal Church. We'll explore topics such as Baptism, the Eucharist, liturgy, and other things that constitute the Episcopal identity. This class is taught by Mtr. Katie Beth and Fr. Jared and will run for seven weeks following the 10:15 service starting on Sept. 24.

Worship Schedule

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Sundays, 8:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sundays, 10:15 a.m.

This service includes childcare, Children's Chapel, and choir.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Thursdays, 7:30 a.m.



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