

# The Evangeline

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## Easter at St. Luke's



The Easter Altar



Fr. Josh's Sermon



The Reception



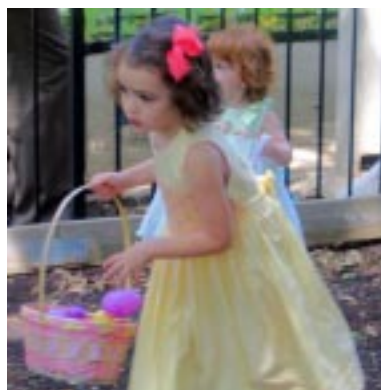
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Egg Hunt – The Race Is On!



Egg Hunt – At the Starting Gate



Egg Hunt – Which Is the Best?

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## Weekly Events

### Sundays

**Rosary Prayers** – 9:00 am in the Healing Center. All are invited.

**Adult Christian Education**, after the 10 am service –

“**The Gospel Truth**” or “**The Sate of the Church**,” led by Fr. Josh; **Parenting Class**, led by Fr. Jed; and

“**Sunday Improvers**,” Bible study led by Joe Morrison.

**The Healing Center** will be open during the Sunday School hour.

**EYC Overtime** (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) – 12:30-1:30 pm, meet in the breezeway.

**Spanish-Language Eucharist** – 12:30 pm in the Chapel.

**St. Clare’s Guild & Shawl Ministry** – 2-4 pm.

**Children’s Choirs** – in recess.

### Mondays

**Group Intercessory Prayer** – noon-12:45 pm in the Healing Center.

### Tuesdays

**Home Groups** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, or as designated by the group.

**Sunday Leaflet Announcements** – are due by noon. E-mail to [jmoore@stlukesdallas.org](mailto:jmoore@stlukesdallas.org).

### Wednesdays

**Healing Prayer Teams** – 7:30-8:15 am & 6:30-7:15 pm in the Healing Center.

**Wednesday Improvers** – Bible study at noon in Room 205.

**Choir Rehearsals** – Handbells at 6:30 pm, choir at 7:30 pm.

### Thursdays

**Women’s Bible Study** – 10:15 am in the Royal Lane church entrance.

**Softball** – 7 pm at Northway Christian Church, through 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Fridays

**MSG (Men’s Small Group) Bible Study** – 7:15-8:15 am in the Conference Room.

## May Activities

**B.A.S.K.** – 12:30 pm Sunday, May 21, offsite.

**Brotherhood of St. Andrew** – 8:00 am Saturday, May 13, in Harman Hall.

**Brotherhood of St. Andrew Charity Golf Tournament** – 8:30 am Saturday, May 20.

**Daughters of the King** – 11:30 am Sunday, May 14, in the Bride’s Room.

**Evangeline Deadline** – Wednesday, May 24, for the June issue.

**Family Camp** – Friday-Sunday, May 5-7 at Pine Cove Lodge.

**Genesis Women’s Shelter Collection** – Sunday, May 21.

**Greeters’ Fellowship** – Thursday, May 4, 7:00 pm, at the home of Warren & Carol Greene.

**Healing Eucharist** – May 6, 6:00 pm in the Healing Center.

**Holy Days** – May 1, St. Philip & St. James, Apostles; May 25, Ascension Day.

**Parish Picnic & Teacher Recognition Day** – Sunday, May 21.

**St. Elizabeth’s Guild** – 10 am Tuesday, May 9 & 23, in the Library.

**Sandwich Ministry** – 10:30 am Thursday, May 25, in the Kitchen.

**Soaking Prayer** – Wednesday, May 3, 6:30-7:30 pm in the Healing Center.

**Ultreya** – Sunday, May 28 at the home of David & Carolyn Carroll.

**Vestry Meeting** – 12:30 pm Sunday, May 21.



## All Parish Picnic & Teacher Recognition Day Sunday, May 21



The Hamburger Man will be here to cook burgers and hot dogs and we will provide side dishes and desserts. So come and enjoy fellowship and a meal with your church family. Reservations are needed by Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$5 per plate or \$20 for the entire family. Purchase your tickets in the breezeway Sunday mornings.

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## The State of the Church

In May Fr. Josh will continue his discussion of the questions and concerns many of us have about the future of the Episcopal Church.

April 30<sup>th</sup> A Vision for St. Luke’s: Jesus Calls Us Forward

May 7<sup>th</sup> No class. (Family Camp Weekend)

May 14<sup>th</sup> Where is the Episcopal Church Now and How Did It Get Here?

May 21<sup>st</sup> The Worldwide Anglican Communion: What’s Next?

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Responding to the concerns about the upcoming General Convention of the Episcopal Church, which will meet in Columbus, Ohio, June 13-21, the diocese has scheduled special convocation meetings at which Bishop Stanton will speak about “The Day After.” He will also answer questions that attendees may have.

The meeting for St. Luke’s Convocation will be at Transfiguration-Dallas, Sunday, May 7 at 3 p.m.

# Shrimp Boil/Mission Night – 2006



## Meet St. Luke's New Staff

The St. Luke's staff is excited to welcome two new members to assist in the work of the church. Debbie Sawtelle has joined our staff as Pastoral Care and Parish Life Coordinator and Fr. Robert Magoola has joined as Supply Priest.



Debbie is coordinating lay and clergy visits to home-bound and hospital patients and assists the program staff of the church in planning activities. She is a familiar face to many St. Luke's members. She has been a dedicated member with her husband Kent and sons Mitchell (10) and Matthew (5) for the last several years. She co-directed the recent "Faith Alive" weekend, directs the Pre-school Music Ministry Activities and is active in the Healing Ministry, Daughters of the King, and Family Ministry.

Debbie brings a cheerful spirit and an attention to detail that will serve St. Luke's for years to come. She will be in church on most Sundays and will be in the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. E-mail ([dsawtelle@stlukesdallas.org](mailto:dsawtelle@stlukesdallas.org)) is the best way to contact her as she will be spending more time with her children during the summer.

Fr. Robert Magoola joins the staff as a Supply Priest. He will serve the church in the Pastoral Care area as well as assist in Eucharistic services of the church. For the next few months the church will see him serving on Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays. This will assist our clergy as they plan out of town vacations, mission trips and other summer activities.

## Rev. Robert Magoola

(Pronounced as *Ma-gola* – rhymes with cola.)

I am one of 11 children. Seven of us are still alive. I have 1 brother and 5 sisters. Both our parents are now deceased. Like my grandfather, who was a canon in the Anglican Diocese of Busoga, Uganda, my father was a priest. I was born and bred in the Anglican evangelical tradition; I sang in my mother's choir; took readings in the Church, and did a lot of good.



Fr. Robert Magoola and wife Monica with Abigail, Agatha and Caleb

A few days before Easter of 1986 (now 20 years ago) and at the age of 17, I received Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. This was a result of my sister Jennifer's relentless witnessing to me. Having run out of excuses I decided to give it a try. Thus I stumbled into the most profound relationship of my life: knowing Jesus Christ is the best thing that ever happened to me. For that I am entirely grateful.

A month or two afterwards I fell deathly ill. In my weakness I turned to the Bible at my bedside and read about King Hezekiah's illness and miraculous recovery (2 Kings 20). My attention began to focus on what motivated Hezekiah's prayer: why he was afraid of death, and why he did not consider it an honor to die sooner and be with God! Until now I have not found the answer. However, this text

applied well to me at the time: why would I choose to pray for life instead of accepting death when it came? My answer was simple: so I could tell others about the new hope that I had in life. I wanted to tell other people about God's love and the gift of heaven.

Two years later and with my father's guidance, I applied for ministry training. I was accepted at Bishop Tucker Theological College, now Uganda Christian University. First I helped start the Busoga Diocesan Youth Mission Team, an extremely rewarding two-year experience.

I went to college in 1990 and graduated in 1993. I was ordained to the priesthood in 1994. I served as Curate at St. Andrew's Church, Jinja by the Source of the Nile River from 1993 till 1996. Of the four Anglican churches in Jinja, St. Andrew's is the elite congregation. It has more than 1000 members on the register. About 800 attend Sunday services regularly. I took a study leave in 1996 for the Master of Arts degree in Pastoral Studies at the University of Birmingham, England. While at the university I went to St. Luke's Church, on Bristol Street. With the Archbishop's permission to officiate, I enjoyed assisting Fr. Andrew with general ministerial duties and helped also at the university chapel. Upon my return to Uganda, I returned to St Andrew's.

In response to more than a decade of prayer, Monica and I were married at St Andrew's Church on 20 June 1998. It was a jubilant ceremony attended by more than 600 people. We have three wonderful children: Abigail was born in Uganda on 7 October 1999, Caleb in California on August 15, 2002 and Agatha in Dallas on May 13, 2004.

When my Rector had been elected Bishop of Busoga, I took his position until 2001 when I came to study for the Master of Theology at Dallas Theological Seminary. I want to embark on a doctoral degree in the near future.

While in Dallas I have served as Supply Priest both far and near in the Diocese of Dallas.

## Children's Stations of the Cross



## St. Luke's First Spanish-Language Eucharist

On Easter Day, St. Luke's held its first Spanish-language Eucharist in the Chapel at 12:30, with about 20 people in attendance. A sit-down potluck lunch and fellowship time followed in Harman Hall. This Eucharist will continue to be offered every Sunday. Visitors are always welcome. We invite you to join us in the chapel.



Fr. Josh, Christopher Kribs Zaleta, and Noe Mendez



Part of the Congregation

## Fun in the Sun Outreach Project

**Sunday, May 21, 2006**

**Benefiting the Genesis Women's Shelter**

Just like you and your family, the women and children living at the Genesis Shelter are getting ready for summer fun time to start. With your help, we hope to make their fun in the sun even more safe and enjoyable.

Please bring any or all of the items below Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. As part of our offering we will gather all the items in a child's play pool and take them over to the shelter for all the kids and moms to enjoy! Thank you.

Please bring:

- Sunscreen
- Pool toys (balls, inflatable toy boats, etc.)
- Sunglasses (children, youth and adult)
- Flip flops (all sizes needed)
- Bathing suits and trunks (infant to teen male and adult female)

## The Healing Word: God's Message and His Messengers Today

St. Matthew's Episcopal Cathedral  
June 3, 10 am – 6 pm  
5100 Ross Ave., Dallas TX

If ever we needed a word of healing from the Lord, we need it now—as individuals, as members of God's church and as citizens of the world. But how, in the midst of the unrest and chaos of life in the early 21<sup>st</sup> century, can we expect to hear a still, small voice?

Join us at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, at St. Matthew's Cathedral for a day drenched in God's healing word, presented by the Center for Christian Healing. A suggested donation of \$30 per person, or \$50 per couple will also cover the cost of lunch.

We begin with a talk from Fr. Josh Acton, Rector of St. Luke's in Dallas, and former regional warden of the International Order of St. Luke's. His first talk is entitled, "Hearing God's Love." His second talk is, "Seeing God's Love."

Diane Stanton will present our third talk, "The Ministry of Angels." Diane is a nationally recognized presenter on the subject of angels and their role in Christian life. She is currently the Executive Director of the Uganda Christian University Partners.

Our final talk, "Feeling God's Love," will be presented by Fr. Acton. Over the course of this very special day, all in attendance will be fully prepared to receive God's healing word of love. A time of ministry will be offered in advance of the closing eucharist at 5 p.m.

To register in advance or learn more, please contact Director Carol Greene, PhD, (214) 368-6304 ext 22, or toll free (866) 676-3911 or e-mail [cgreene@stlukesdallas.org](mailto:cgreene@stlukesdallas.org). You may also visit our website at [www.centerforchristianhealing.org](http://www.centerforchristianhealing.org).

# Children's Ministry

## Vacation Bible School

Calling all adventurers.....it's time to get your passports ready because this is one *Place* you do not want to miss! St. Luke's VBS 2006 is just around the corner so tell all your friends and get signed up! *Trading Places* travel dates/times are Monday through Friday June 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> from 9 am - 12 pm. This adventure will be filled with great friends, Nonstop Fun and Games, Passport Praises/Music, First Class Crafts, an International Food Court and much more! Please fill out a registration form and tell your parents and grown-up friends, they are welcome too! See you on a journey you will never forget. Questions? Call Carolyn Bartkus at (214) 368-6304 ext. 37 or e-mail to [cbartkus@stlukesdallas.org](mailto:cbartkus@stlukesdallas.org).



**Vacation Bible School**  
**St. Luke's Episcopal Church**  
**June 5-9, 2006**  
**9 am - 12 pm**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth and 2005/2006 School Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

(must be 3 by 09-01-05 and potty trained)

Registration Fee \$15 each, or \$40 for a family of three or more.

T-Shirts size:      s          m          l          xl

I will also attend Music Camp each afternoon.

Please return completed form to church office.  
Questions? Call Carolyn Bartkus at (214) 368-6304 ext. 37  
or e-mail to [cbartkus@stlukesdallas.org](mailto:cbartkus@stlukesdallas.org).

## Music & Arts Camp:

### A Tale of the Three Trees

The Music Ministry is excited to present a week of music and learning for children who have completed Grades 1 through 6. **June 5-9** will be the 2006 Music and Arts Camp. This fun-packed activity will be given to students in the afternoon following a full morning of Vacation Bible School excitement.

There is no cost and each child will have the opportunity to learn more about how they can use their voice, mind and creativity to serve God. On Friday evening, June 9, the children will share what they have learned by presenting the musical "The Tale of the Three Trees". This wonderful musical teaches the children that even though they may want to be something great in the world's eyes, God may have an even bigger plan for each of them.

## First Communion Class



Adam Bailey, Alexandra Walsh and their parents gathered during February and March to learn about the liturgical action of receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion. The children prepared their hearts and minds for receiving the Holy Eucharist. Please welcome them to the table and celebrate their commitment to grow in strength and love in their service of Jesus Christ Our Lord.

## Sunday Attendance

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Lent	1,741 *	1,686
Palm Sunday	416	398
Easter Day	531	753 **

\* Includes a large Healing Eucharist

\*\* 42% increase!

## New Members

Justin & D'anne Stanton  
and James & Elizabeth



## Dollars & Sense

### St. Luke's Financial Summary March 2006

The following table presents a summary of the 2006 operating fund revenues and expenses through the end of **March, 2006**, as compared to the new 2006 budget on a year-to-date basis ("YTD").

Description	2006 Actual YTD	2006 Budget YTD	Fav (Unfav)
Income	\$299,511	\$250,422	\$49,089
Expenses:			
Compensation & benefits	135,023	138,405	3,382
Office expenses	15,096	13,998	(1,098)
Facilities expense	44,283	49,998	5,715
Parish organizations	16,639	12,924	(3,715)
Diocesan assmt.(see fn)	25,002	25,002	0
Diocesan M & O Fund	4,002	4,002	0
Debt service	10,321	10,320	(1)
Total Expenses	250,366	254,649	4,283
Over (Under)	\$49,145	(\$4,227)	\$53,372

**Notes:** The Diocesan assessment was reduced to \$100,000 as requested but with a stated request that if St. Luke's is able to pay the full \$114,000, as assessed, that it do so. At present, the budgeted figure is based upon a \$100,000 assessment. Facilities expense is projected at \$200k per year, which was the actual 2005 figure. March tithes & offerings were down compared to March, 2005, due to bad weather. Please keep pledges current so that we will not hit a summer cash crunch in August and then again in November.

## Birthdays

(May 1) Bob Anderson, Zac Cox (May 2) George Harrell, Kyle Walker (May 3) Ginny Williams (May 4) Nancy Jones, Tyler Chumley (May 5) Linda Mann, Marian Rain (May 6) Gay Cox, Finn Woods (May 7) Pat Gilbert, Gayer McFarland, Susie Pepitone (May 8) Scott Woods (May 9) Kay Kerman Back, Joe Curtis (May 12) Ned Bangs (May 13) Lourdes Chavez, Donald Spafford (May 14) Bob Pierce (May 15) Brenda Lengyel (May 16) Judy Rains (May 17) Mary Bichler (May 18) Jean Merritt (May 19) Dorothy Purse (May 21) Bob North, Dottie Weems (May 22) Michael James, Emily Peebles (May 24) Maribeth Dee, Karol Duncan, Charlie Nau (May 25) Jackson Reed, Isabelle Walsh (May 26) Carol Greene, Lindsey Ryan (May 27) Monique Cole (May 31) Stuart Walker

## Anniversaries

(May 10) Michael & Pam Jurlina (May 12) Joe & Billie Jurlina (May 13) Frank & Mary St. Claire (May 16) Al & Nancy Blaylock, John & Elane Hansen (May 19) David & Debbie James (May 23) David & Gayle Riddle (May 25) Frank & Karen Needham (May 27) Ed & Betty Clo Jarrell, Gary & Pat Keane, William & Pam Dalton (May 30) Bill & Mickey Ward, Vera Ellen & Sam Alexander (May 31) Forrest & Alice Boaz



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## Services at St. Luke's

### Sunday Eucharists

- 7:30 a.m. Rite I *in the Church*  
10:00 a.m. Rite II *in the Church*  
10:15 a.m. Contemporary Service  
*in the Chapel*  
12:30 p.m. Spanish Language  
Eucharist  
*in the Chapel*  
6:00 p.m. Rite II *in the Chapel*

### Weekday Eucharists

- WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY  
6:30 a.m. Rite II *in the Chapel*  
THURSDAY  
Noon Rite II with Unction  
*in the Chapel*

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