



# ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ANNUAL REPORT

2021

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

You have likely heard the myth that Inuit peoples have 50 different words for snow and there is some merit in that statement. Those of us who live in Western New York know that not all snow is the same reality and that snow requires different adjectives—like crunchy, slushy and my favorite, greasy. The experience of winter driving in WNY requires that you know that one. It is also a useful metaphor when speaking about attempting to run a church in 2021.

While things are not back to normal in the world, we have been able to resume a modicum of our previous programming. While not everyone has yet returned to in-person worship on Sunday, there is palpable energy, and we continue to push our mission forward. That said, the conditions have been less than ideal, and we struggle to gain optimal traction. While the environmental conditions have been “greasy”, we are a community that is built to serve and face challenges head on.

Our adaptable spirit has served us well in the midst of the global pandemic—and we have offered Sunday services both in-person and streamed online for the entirety of this year. While we may have lost speed, our momentum has not stalled. For the year, our in-person attendance hovered around 93 people a Sunday (when you factor the absence of the Saturday night service) that figure is about 65% of pre-pandemic attendance. The figure gets more encouraging when you look at the numbers from the last quarter of the 2021, which saw our average Sunday attendance climb to 129 people a Sunday.

Despite the “greasy” conditions of 2021, we were able to accomplish many achievements even as we grieved our many losses—as longtime parishioners moved away to be near grandkids (like *Peter and Barbara Bumsted*) or to their greater reward in God’s loving embrace (c.f. the list of Burials on page 4). In this Annual Report, you’ll gain a summary of the past year.

There was much to celebrate in 2021 and while this is by no means a comprehensive list, it hits some of the highlights of the year:

- The Confirmation of 4 amazing dedicated teenagers
- A full year of Youth Group activities that averaged 18 kids/Sunday.
- Another fruitful year of partnership with the Public and Mobile Market, which saw us launch a CSA program. 31 of the 45 CSA shareholders were St. Luke's members.
- The completion of the Will You Be an Organ Donor? campaign and the installation of our new organ console and digital sounds, which Bishop Sean Rowe blessed in November
- In the fall 2021, we rebooted Sunday School, the Adult forum, and Coffee Hour
- Norma DeJoy *transformed* the Blue Bag ministry
- The expansion of our partnership with Grace Episcopal Church in Randolph
- While we stopped the prerecorded services, Sling Studio has allowed us to stream high quality worship services.
- The ordination of a Jessica Frederick to the transitional diaconate.
- Sponsored the 1st Jamestown Pride Festival
- Creation of special themed services and guest preachers:
  - Pride Sunday (Gordon Fisher)
  - Recovery Sunday (Steven Cobb)
  - Healthcare Worker Sunday (Elizabeth Gattman)
  - Harvest Sunday (Linnea Carlson)
- The successful lunch of our social enterprise: Father Bernard's Blessed Biscuits

2022 will continue to present opportunities and challenges, but we know that our feet will find traction as we continue to follow God's call to mission.

**(Luke Fodor, Rector)**



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# ST. LUKE'S LEADERSHIP

Rector	Luke Fodor
Curate	Jessica Frederick
Deacon	Cathy Smith
Warden for Program	Lisa Yaggie
Warden for Admin	Patrick Monaghan
Treasurer	Catherine Way
Verger	Paul Johnson
Warden Emeritus	Linda Dawson
<b>Vestry</b>	
<b>Class of 2023</b>	Nicole Gustafson
	Kim Scott
	Duane Richetti
<b>Class of 2024</b>	Kris Morrison
	Steven Cobb
	Norma DeJoy
<b>Class of 2025</b>	Linda Johnson
	Paul Johnson
	Brian Kearney



# ANNUAL MEETING STATISTICS 2021

**Average Sunday Attendance\*** **199.56**

\*This number includes online viewing, which is difficult to accurately measure. The average number of in-person worshippers was **92.56**.

## Number of Services

### The Holy Eucharist

Saturdays and Sundays	115
Weekdays	28
Private	31

### The Daily Office

Weekday	167
Sunday	37

**Baptisms** **6**

Gabriel Vitello	Charles Rappole
Allison MacCallum	Connor Edward Johnson
Benjamin Rinaldo	Selah Anica Mason

**Confirmations** **4**

Emma Anderson  
Madeline DeJoy  
Danielle Krenzer  
Joseph Krenzer

**Marriages** **2**

Dakota Morano & Lena Young  
Kevin Silk & Chelsea Peterson

## Deaths/Burials

Walter Barker	Robert Lamp	Ralph King	Nancy Blears	<b>28</b>
Bruce Cobb	Thomas Marino	Mary Rendall Blair	Clarence Beish, Jr.	
Phillip "Flip" Yates	Harold Swanson	Susan Massey	Roger Gustafson	
Neil Frederick	Dorris Swanson	Harry Dainty	Paula Pickett	
Mary Stafford	Barbara Kling	Alta Stahlman		
Thomas Fadale, Sr.	Marjorie Hagg Snow	Norma O'Donnell		
Luis Rosa	Pamela McCallum	Mary Griffith		
Norman Johnson	Suzanne Neckers	Dr. Walter Morgan		





# VERGER'S REPORT

Despite the ongoing strangeness and challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic's second year, St. Luke's continued to rise to the challenges and adapted admirably to remain a presence and support to our parishioners, community, and dioceses.

February 3, 2021 marked the second anniversary of my official installation as St. Luke's Verger. Throughout 2021 I fulfilled my most public duty of escorting worship processions, primarily at the Sunday 10:00 AM service. With the return of acolyte participation in weekly worship, my duties expanded to provide, along with Sacristan Janet Card and Head Acolyte Madeline Dejoy, guidance and training to new and returning acolytes.

St. Luke's was blessed to welcome Bishop Sean Rowe on three separate occasions in 2021: May 16 for confirmation; November 7 for dedication of the restored and enhanced Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ and new console; and December 5 for the ordination of Jessica Frederick to the transitional diaconate. It was a privilege to serve as verger on all three occasions and to advise and assist Bishop Sean as needed.

Jessica Frederick's December 5 ordination provided a unique opportunity to welcome Trevor Barton, Verger of Grace Church Randolph, with whom I escorted the processions and welcomed and assisted visiting clergy from our two dioceses.

On November 11, 2021, I had the honor and privilege to escort the color guard procession of the American Legion Ira Lou Spring Post 149 at the annual Veterans' Day Service at St. Luke's. Other special services at which I had the honor and privilege to serve included several parishioner funerals.

My behind-the-scenes service as Verger in an advisory role and as a member of the St. Luke's Parish Leadership Team continued without interruption throughout 2021. It is with humility and joy that I serve with such a talented and dedicated team of St. Luke's fellow parishioners.

As 2022 begins to unfold, I thank God that St. Luke's, during the past, challenging year, continued to be a church where the love of Christ abounds in many wonderful ways! I look forward to evolving my verger role and ministry as the Holy Spirit leads in the year ahead.

Christ be with you all!

*(Paul Johnson, Verger)*

# FINANCIAL REPORT

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Thank you to all who made 2021 a GREAT budget year. Thank you to all who paid more than you pledged! And thank you to all for not spending all that was budgeted on so many lines! Our rule in budgeting is to under-estimate revenues and over-estimate expenses – somehow this always works!

Our aging building often require much-needed maintenance and repairs which always cost more than we think they should. However, this year, we finished paying for the restoration of our outstanding Aeolian-Skinner organ and paid our building consultant to test and develop plans for the tower's much-needed repair. Some reminders:

- It's not too late to make a pledge for 2022;
- It's not too late to pay any outstanding 2021 pledges. Just mark your check "2021 Pledge and I will know to credit your 2021 account;
- Please do not use 2021 envelopes – you can still receive envelopes for 2022 if you need them. Just let me know.

Finally a huge thanks to Sandi Gustafson for counting the Sunday offering with me and to all who help me with my Treasurer's duties. We'll get back to Sunday counters handling this chore once COVID restrictions lessen. It's an honor to serve you and my church.

*(Catherine Way, Treasurer)*



# 2021-22 BUDGET REPORT

	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2022 Budget
<b>OPERATIONS</b>			
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>			
Pledges			
Current Year	\$277,112	\$280,717	\$292,679
Prior Year	\$1,120	\$2,250	\$2,250
Next Year	\$22,800	\$26,318	\$25,775
Church School	\$200	\$507	\$500
<b>TOTAL PLEDGES</b>	<b>\$301,232</b>	<b>\$309,792</b>	<b>\$321,204</b>
Plate			
Plate	\$17,954	\$21,438	\$18,700
Christmas/Easter	\$2,500	\$4,046	\$2,500
Gifts	\$19,090	\$25,644	\$20,944
Parking Fees	\$3,000	\$3,055	\$3,000
Use of Building	\$3,000	\$3,788	\$4,000
Summer Reading Camp	\$7,000	\$0	\$0
Winged Ox Players	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
Columbarium Niches Sold	\$1,500	\$9,750	\$1,500
Other - Interest	\$200	\$122	\$200
Social Enterprise	\$8,500	\$10,318	\$10,000
SBA PPP Loan	\$43,746	\$43,746	\$0
Trust Income			
Transfer from Endowment - Operations	\$124,072	\$123,912	\$130,232
Ashwell Trust	\$7,500	\$7,881	\$7,500
Grace, Randolph Partnership	\$14,588	\$18,235	\$29,176
<b>OPERATING INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>\$556,882</b>	<b>\$581,727</b>	<b>\$551,956</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
<b>Outreach</b>			
Local	\$25,850	\$12,169	\$20,100
Diocesan Support*	\$58,825	\$58,825	\$60,208
Diocesan Convention	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
<b>Outreach Total</b>	<b>\$85,675</b>	<b>\$70,994</b>	<b>\$81,308</b>
<b>Program</b>			
Worship	\$9,490	\$6,843	\$12,450
Fellowship	\$2,100	\$1,749	\$2,100
Formation	\$3,900	\$4,752	\$5,500
Publicity	\$600	\$0	\$600
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$16,090</b>	<b>\$13,344</b>	<b>\$20,650</b>

# 2021-22 BUDGET REPORT

<b>Salary and Benefits</b>			
Staff	\$156,975	\$154,869	\$118,525
Clergy	\$135,589	\$140,682	\$214,240
<b>Salary and Benefits Total</b>	<b>\$292,564</b>	<b>\$295,551</b>	<b>\$332,765</b>
<b>Operations</b>			
Cleaning & Plowing Services	\$13,540	\$10,610	\$19,015
Bldg & Grounds	\$57,112	\$53,902	\$69,283
General Office Expense	\$22,660	\$22,381	\$24,185
Finance Costs	\$3,800	\$4,750	\$4,750
<b>Operations Total</b>	<b>\$97,112</b>	<b>\$91,643</b>	<b>\$117,233</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$491,441</b>	<b>\$471,532</b>	<b>\$551,956</b>
<b><i>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</i></b>			
Income			
Capital Endowment Transfer	\$41,357	\$41,304	\$43,411
We Are Called Contributions		\$75,925	
Organ Restoration Fund		\$72,796	
<b>Capital Total</b>	<b>\$41,357</b>	<b>\$190,025</b>	<b>\$43,411</b>
Expense			
Capital Improvements	\$54,552	\$22,540	\$43,411
We Are Called Improvements		\$72,237	
Organ Restoration Expense		\$161,965	
<b>Capital Total</b>	<b>\$54,552</b>	<b>\$256,742</b>	<b>\$43,411</b>
<b><i>ENDOWMENT FUNDS</i></b>	<b>12/31/19</b>	<b>12/31/20</b>	<b>12/31/21</b>
Ashwell Fund A	\$2,198,740	\$2,293,299	\$2,574,356
Ashwell Fund B	\$612,035	\$641,035	\$693,364
General Endowment	\$965,991	\$1,030,878	\$1,100,345
NBT Kate Ashwell Fund	\$183,507	\$189,523	\$220,980
<b>Total Endowment Funds</b>	<b>\$3,960,273</b>	<b>\$4,154,735</b>	<b>\$4,589,045</b>

# PROPERTY REPORT

2021 was a relatively quiet year for the Property Committee. The large-scale project was the 'refurbishment' of the retaining wall between the Thrift Shop and Paul Marlinski's building (4th and Pine Street). The wall has been deteriorating for years. Prior "fixes" were unsuccessful, and the wall continued to fall onto Mr. Marlinski's property. Total replacement of the wall was cost prohibitive.

Tim Desmond, T.M. Desmond Construction LLC was hired to encapsulate the existing wall with rebar and concrete. Mr. Marlinski relinquished 1-2 feet for easement. The City of Jamestown invested in and completed underground drainage so the water from the Thrift Shop, Potter's Ally and the Church downspouts drain efficiently and prevent erosion of the wall. They will install a new stamped concrete alley in the spring. The cost of this work was \$70,000.00, an incredible value. Upon completion of the wall, the Church has given ownership of the wall to Paul Marlinski for his care in the future.

Desmond Construction also shored up the wall on the corner of the Thrift shop front yard and driveway. The Thrift Shop incurred the expense (\$1,934.00).

Due to the expenses of the retaining wall, further exterior work on the Parish House was put on hold.



# PROPERTY REPORT CONTINUED



We are thankful to our Sexton, Frank Fodor for repairing and painting as needed both porches of the Parish House. Thank you to Patrick Monaghan for leading the project of new flooring in the Parish House kitchen and back entry hall. Thanks also to Tom Drennen and Jay Yaggie in assisting Patrick remove the old flooring.

The Parish House grounds were beautiful this summer and fall. Many thanks to Jessica Frederick for leading the Planting Project. It could not have been accomplished without the helping hands of Duane and Beth Richetti, Ruth Wahl, Jinny Kopp and Sharon Drennen.

EMCOR continues to serve our heating and plumbing needs. They keep our boiler and air conditioners running well with spring and fall maintenance. They are also very responsive when we “spring a leak” in our very old plumbing. The Property committee continues to manage the annual maintenance of our elevator, bells, The Fire Security System and the annual application of our parking lot seal coat. We also have an annual contract that provides monthly testing of the boiler water and makes recommendations for its’ maintenance. We are blessed to have good contractors available to us.

I personally want to give a big shout out to Frank Fodor for all the detail work he does around our St. Luke’s campus. The boiler room has never been so organized. He does light maintenance and painting. Frank is also our boiler maintenance man. He works closely with M.I.S. to ensure the longevity of our boiler.

The Property Committee members are Dan Anderson, David Dracup, Tom Drennen, Frank Fodor, Luke Fodor, Dana Griffith, Paul Johnson, Dan Krenzer, Jim Krull, Chuck Ludwig, Kim Mann, Patrick Monaghan, and Jay Yaggie. If you have questions or concerns about our St. Luke’s properties, please feel free to reach out to one of us. If you would like to serve on this Committee, we would be happy to have you join us. I ask for your continued prayers that together we will accomplish our Property goals and preserve St. Luke’s for future generations.

***(Sharon Drennen, Property Committee Chair)***

# PRESERVATION PLANS

The work on our historic structure continues to proceed at a painstaking pace. After many months of non-destructive evaluation, careful surveys and diligent planning, we have a clear understanding of the masonry problems associated with the bell tower. Barbara Campagna and her team are creating a plan to preserve its structural integrity.

In September, Barbara presented her findings in a live Zoom call, which was recorded and is available at:

[www.youtube.com/c/StLukesEpiscopalChurch](http://www.youtube.com/c/StLukesEpiscopalChurch)

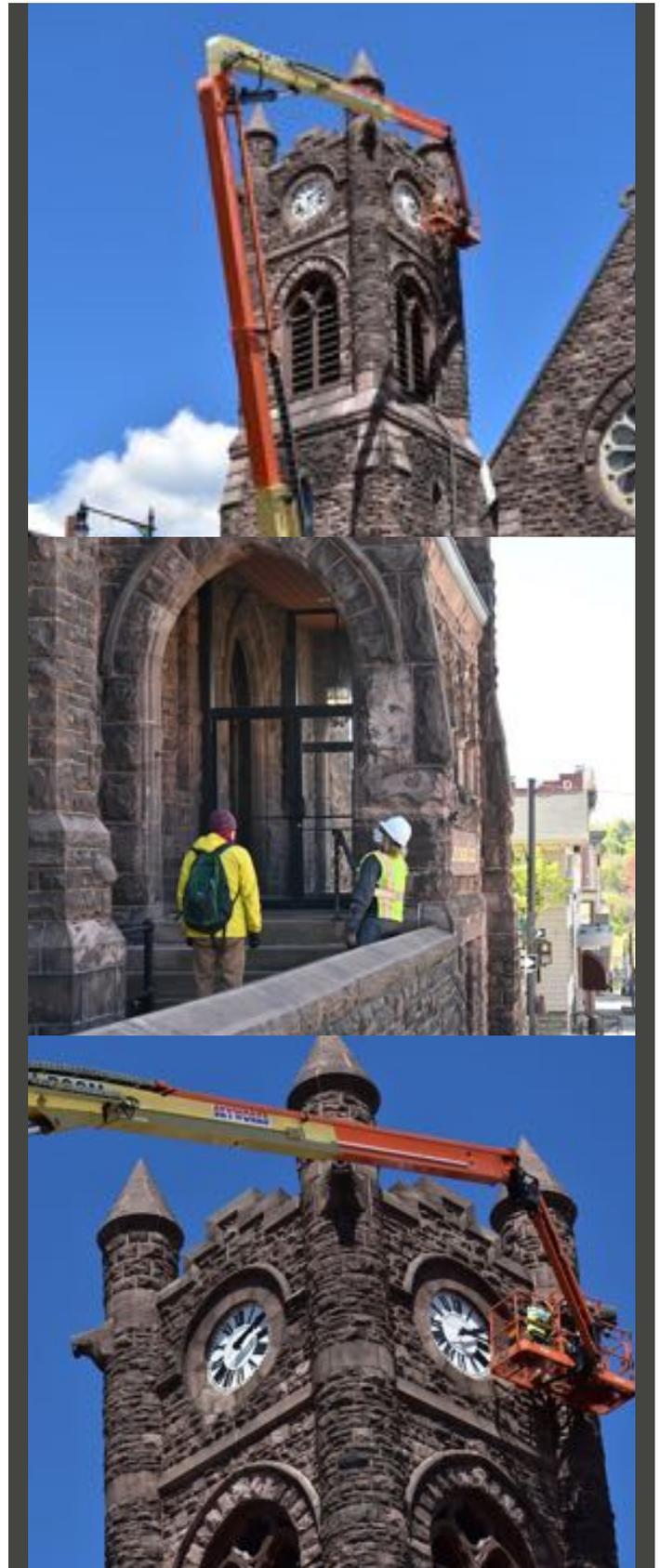
This video details the complete history of the project and illuminates some of the findings.

We have decided to break the project into phases by first tackling the most life endangering elements related to the bell tower and put the gabled porch and Main St stairs into a secondary phase.

The anticipated cost of the bell tower phase is \$1.5 million. We have at our disposal funds totaling \$800,000 and we continue to fundraise and secure credit to finance the remainder.

Due to the great heights involved, the technical nature of the project and supply chain problems, it has been determined that the project will take place over two building seasons. This year will be dedicated to designing the scaffolding approach (this element alone will cost \$250,000) and procurement of helical steel pilings, bricks and stone. In spring of 2023 the actual rebuilding will occur.

More details and reports are available upon request. Simply speak to the Rector.





# DEACON'S REPORT

Who would have thought we would still be wearing masks in 2021? I am grateful to not have to wear the shields anymore. Now I can actually see what I am reading. We continued to move forward as we brought more and more people back into the services and ministries. Our choir, acolytes, and readers are once again serving on the altar. I reflect on the first Sunday we had our choir back. I was brought to tears as I sat listening during the choir rehearsal. I didn't realize how much I missed hearing those hymns. I found a renewed appreciation for music in our worship. Many other groups came back also. Wednesday Group and the Boy Scouts are meeting again as well as other groups, both part of our church community and the community at large. Darcy Kell continues to write cards as Kim Mann and the clergy send her lists of needs and concerns. Willow Fodor and Sharon Drennen led a cooking party and we are once again delivering meals. Thanks to Norma DeJoy our Blue Bag Ministry is alive and well.

I continue to serve at Grace Church in Randolph occasionally, the Thrift Shop weekly, and volunteer with the Mobile Market. One of my most rewarding ministries is with the Dioceses of WNY and NWPA. I am privileged to serve on the Commission on Ministry (COM). The COM, which includes members from both the Dioceses of Western New York and Northwest Pennsylvania, exists to serve the Bishop's ministry and, among other duties, to help the bishop raise up those with a Godly call to ordained and licensed lay ministry, so that the Church, full of the Holy Spirit, can "empower the saints for the work of ministry."

I encourage everyone who sees a need in our community to come have a conversation with any of the clergy. We welcome and embrace new ideas and ways to meet the needs and concerns of our wider community.

*(The Rev. Cathy Smith, Parish Deacon)*



# MUSIC MINISTRY REPORT

Music has continued to be a challenge during the second year of this pandemic. It was wonderful to be able to have church services again and especially a full Lenten program including Holy Week and Easter. We relied on soloists for our singing at these services including many who contributed. I especially want to mention Ellen Kennelley for her continued commitment during this season.

In September, the choir resumed, in a new way to meet the challenge. It was decided to concentrate on hymn singing and the liturgical singing of the service music while adding psalm chanting during Advent. Choir is meeting on Sunday mornings only as we are not preparing for anthems at this time so there is no Thursday evening rehearsals. For now, singing in unison on Sunday mornings is a way of developing singing skills lost to a year of no singing and is especially effective in leading congregational singing.

St. Luke's has a strong tradition of organs and organists. From the Johnson and Sons organ that served the church for 60 years to the Aeolian-Skinner Organ, Opus 1303, installed in 1957 and updates following, the organ has been a significant element for leading worship at St. Luke's. Organists Dean Reddick, Richard Corbin, and Joshua Stafford left a legacy for continuing this tradition to whom I am greatly indebted.

2021 saw the completion of the \$240,000 Organ Donor Campaign and the installation of a new organ console, a state of the art Computer Operating system and Digitally Sampled Aeolian-Skinner Pipe enhancements. The "new" organ retains all its previous greatness and is now a complete large-scale instrument for which I am duly proud and will serve St. Luke's for many years to come.



On a somewhat sad note, it was difficult to see the large Steinway Model D concert grand piano leave in May for the last time. For several years, it had been housed at St. Luke's for many months during Chautauqua Institution's off-season months, thanks to the Jamestown Concert Association. It was truly the finest piano I have ever had the pleasure and privilege to play and will be truly missed. However, thanks to the generosity of the Corbin family, the current Wisner piano has served and will continue to serve the church for years to come.

Of course, if someone would like to donate a Steinway Model O or larger, it would find a wonderful home at St. Luke's.

Given all the stressors created and compounded by this second pandemic year, it has been a struggle this year to find ways to consistently connect - yet the music ministry at St. Luke's continues to strive for excellence and adapt in these ever-changing times. Thank you for joining in as we make a joyful noise.

***(Ron McEntire, Minister of Music)***





# CURATE'S REPORT

Since my ordination to the transitional diaconate on December 5th, parishioners sometimes ask, “Does this mean you have to leave St. Luke’s sooner? Are you eager to get your ‘own church?’” Happily, I have no intentions to leave St. Luke’s any time soon. My husband and I love Chautauqua County and our home in Sherman. We both have family in the area, and we’re thankful to live near them.

Additionally, as I talk to seminary colleagues around the country, the truth is that St. Luke’s is on the cutting edge of reimagining church in the 21st century. From the new social enterprise (Father Bernard’s Blessed Biscuits) to the church’s partnership with the Jamestown Public Market; from connecting worship to the needs and concerns of the local community (Pride Sunday, Recovery Sunday, etc) to our livestreaming capabilities, it would be difficult to find a more vibrant, innovative congregation in which to learn and grow.

What my ordination to the transitional diaconate does mean is expanded opportunities to learn and grow as a pastoral leader. As a deacon I have expanded capacity to serve at St. Luke’s: I am now able to perform weddings, funerals, and offer communion services from the Reserved Sacrament. This will be particularly helpful, as Luke takes his sabbatical this year... I’m scheduled to perform my first wedding in the spring of 2022!

Furthermore, as I continue to work towards ordination to the priesthood, the best of the Episcopal tradition treats the entire community in which a church is located as its parish: thanks to Luke’s capable mentorship, I am working at developing the skills for public ministry and community engagement. In my current role, I’m always wondering: How can St. Luke’s ministries with children, youth, and families connect with the broader community? How can my previous experience as a farmer contribute to the common good of our local food systems? I am so grateful for this opportunity!

*(The Rev. Jessica Frederick, Curate)*



# CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

In 2021, the ongoing pandemic has naturally posed ongoing difficulties upon the children, youth, and family ministries of St. Luke's. Even so, these challenges have provided rich opportunities for creativity and adaptation – opportunities which church volunteers and staff have seized to the best of their abilities throughout the year.

Youth Ministries: We continued our youth group partnership with First Presbyterian Church. Through fun and play, SLY PYG\* builds relationships, community, and a culture of learning, exploring the application of faith and life skills today. In support of local community events, SLY PYG youth participated in the “Stand Against Racism” event with the YWCA and as well as Jamestown’s first annual Pride event at the Jamestown Public Market. Over the summer, youth volunteers pack shares for the Eat Fresh, Do Good CSA in support of the Jamestown Mobile Market.

This year also proved to be important for confirmation classes offered at St. Luke's. In May, the Rt. Reverend Sean Rowe confirmed Emma Anderson, Madeline DeJoy, and Joe and Danielle Krenzer. In the fall, another cohort of 10th and 11th graders enrolled to explore their faith through confirmation classes. Grace Anderson, Sophia Baer, Aly Dalton, Aidan McCleery, Abby Monaghan, and Aliceson Scott are scheduled to be confirmed by the Bishop in April 2022.

Children's Ministries: Sunday school class attendance has been low this year, as families slowly work towards building to some semblance of normalcy in household schedules. Even so, we continued to offer Sunday school throughout the pandemic – as a one room schoolhouse in our spring programming (using the beloved “Building Faith, Brick by Brick” Lego curriculum for this class) and offering several classes divided by grades in the fall.

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\*St. Luke's combined youth group partnership with First Presbyterian Church, combining the acronyms St. Luke's Youth (SLY) and Presbyterian Youth Group (PYG)



Given these shifting Sunday school realities, St. Luke's has looked for other ways to offer children's ministries in this moment: a weekly children's sermon at the 10 am service and transforming our children's book cart to a "prayerground" (with books and hands-on faith formation activities). We also created opportunities for our children to participate in service: Our children's Easter egg hunt raised money for local nonprofits, and the children's offering raised funds for the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, as well as collecting enough money to buy five goats through Episcopal Relief and Development.

Family Ministries: While not traditionally its own category of formal ministry at St. Luke's, the introduction of monthly EVENTures have created opportunities for families and friends to gather and connect – for pumpkin carving in October and Christmas cookie decorating in December.

**(Jessica Frederick, Minister for Children, Youth & Families)**





# THE THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop has had a very good 2021 even with our ongoing pandemic worries. The donations for the shop have been phenomenal and sometimes overwhelming but always gratefully accepted. We have had steady sales of clothing and houseware items to our loyal customers who shop every week sometimes to buy or just to chat. The shop is happy to report that donations to the community were allocated both in the spring and late fall this past year for a total of **\$18,500**. Some of our recipients were the Public Market, MHA, all of the Jamestown Schools, Toys for Tots, Jamestown Learning Council and the Salvation Army Red Kettle program. Also in 2021 over a thousand dollars worth of merchandise was given to those in need thru our voucher system. We are happy to help anyone in need.

We also had our 1st Annual Thrift Shop Fashion show at church in May--when the center aisle became the Runway!

As parishioners if you know of an agency or a group needing funds for 2022 please contact a Thrift Shop Board Member with specific information. Our goal is to take the money from the sales of donated items and give it back to the community. We have a great group of hard-working volunteers but can always use a few more. You can work as little as once a month or whatever would fit your schedule. The shop is open every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM. Saturday shopping has been discontinued due to a shortage of volunteers.

Thrift Shop Board for 2021-2022: Barbara Kiddoo, president; Catherine Way, treasurer; Sandi Gustafson, secretary ; Members at large- Wilma Twinam, Sue Priester, Fran Morgan, Janet Henderson and Cathy Smith.

*(Barbara Kiddoo, Thrift Shop President)*



# PUBLIC MARKET

Every year I feel a little strange repeating what has become a familiar phrase, "It's been our best season yet!" But the truth is, each year continues to be our best yet as our programs and community support grow beyond anything we at Jamestown Public Market have ever imagined! Our city is a vibrant one, full of incredibly talented artisans, passionate 'foodies' and community members and organizations dedicated to work that empowers our community to think differently and grow. We are always challenging one another at the market to think differently.

Finding a home with St. Luke's has truly given us the space to root, and we can only imagine the possibilities that our programs can reach with the nurturing the congregation has provided.

It has led us here, at the end of 2021, basking in the joys of the GROW Jamestown Community gardens, bountiful and blooming this season. It has provided us the opportunity to connect with new community supporters who gave us a chance when we launched the Eat Fresh, Do Good CSA. It allowed us to move the market to a central location, proving to Jamestown that the market is here to stay. We of course couldn't have done any of this, or serviced the over 1,000 individual community members we did this year, without YOU.

So thank you. Thank you for your faith in our program team; your dedication to feeding our neighbors; your love for Jamestown and of course all things local. We can't wait to see how we will 'grow' next year! Visit our webpage at [jtownpublicmarket.org](http://jtownpublicmarket.org) for more information on our programs and our impact!

*(Linnea Carlson, JPM Director)*