

The Saint

October 2025

A Publication of the Episcopal Church of St. Luke & St. Peter



Sunday Services:

8:00am...Traditional Communion

9:30am...Family Communion (livestreamed)

11:00am...Bible History Class with Richard Fifiel

11:15am...Contemporary Service

Thursday Services:

6:00pm...Bible Study/Prayer Meeting

3rd Wednesday

Praise Night - 7 pm

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Office Hours Monday - Friday 9 am - 1 pm



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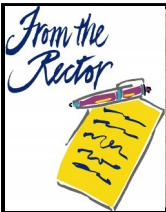


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The Rev., Dr. Richard Gonzalez

Dear Church Family,

What a beautiful and brisk welcome October brings!

For our neighbors up north, the air grows crisper, the leaves begin their magnificent transformation into brilliant shades of crimson and gold, and we are drawn to the warmth of community and home.

Even here in Florida we begin to feel a change in temperatures and our humidity.

Autumn is a season of visible change, a vivid and tangible reminder from our Creator of the cycles of letting go and preparing for a season of rest.

As the earth yields its harvest, it's a natural time for us to reflect on the blessings God has sown in our own lives.

Looking back over the past months, where have you seen God's faithfulness? What seeds of kindness, patience, and love have borne fruit in your heart and in your relationships? This is a season of gratitude, a time to pause and thank God for His abundant provision, not just in the grand moments, but in the quiet, daily blessings we so often overlook.

This month in the life of our church is also full of opportunities to gather and grow together. We look forward to our annual Fall Festival and Trunk-or-Treat on Friday, October 24

It's always a joy-filled evening, and I encourage you to invite friends and neighbors to join us.

We will also be focusing on the theme of stewardship throughout the month, culminating in our Commitment Sunday on October 26th, as we prayerfully consider how we can offer our time, talents, and treasures back to God.

As we journey through this month, may this scripture be an encouragement to you:

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." - Galatians 6:9

Let us hold onto this promise. The work we do in the name of Christ matters. The love we share, the kindness we extend, and the faith we nurture will produce a harvest for His glory.

May this season of change be a season of deep peace and renewed purpose for you and your loved ones. I am so grateful to be your priest and to serve alongside each of you.

Blessings,

Fr. Richard

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2025 Financial Report

(as of August 2025)

YTD Offering \$217,520.26

YTD Expenses \$224,503.75

YTD Balance **-\$6,983.46**

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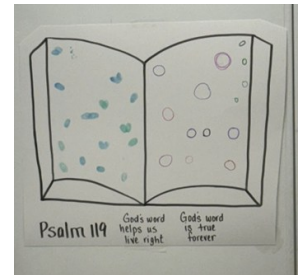
OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tues- day	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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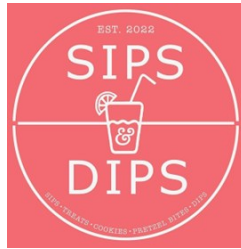
We had a wonderful start to Dig In this past September. We had over 50 kids on the first night back. They talked about God and how his word is true forever.

Thank you to all the volunteers who make this night possible!



TRUNK OR TREAT

Please join us for Trunk or treat Friday, October 24th at 6:00pm. The children can wear their costumes and trunk or treat at all the decorated vehicles in the parking lot. There will be face painting and a food truck vendor. We will have Sips & Dips here. They offer customizable Sodas, Sparkling Refreshers & Sweet Treats.



If you would like to decorate a trunk and hand out candy, please let Ms. Katy or Ms. Rose know. We would LOVE that!

This is such a fun event that you will not want to miss!





Hey everyone!

This past month has been an interesting month, with challenges that have been met along the way with getting back into the swing of things from our summer break, but also with different events going on in the world.

During this past month we had two of our students attend Grounded as leaders at Camp Wingmann with the Diocese and from the stories that I have heard it was a powerful and moving weekend for everyone, so make sure to ask them about their experience with the weekend!

We also met and discussed everything going on in the world, what is the Christian response as followers of Christ where we discussed being a light in the world, and taking heart because Jesus has overcome the world, but also the importance of forgiveness just as we have been forgiven. This discussion was a really moving discussion that I personally really enjoyed having with the students, as I hope they enjoyed it as well, and took some of it into their day to day lives as we continue to cultivate an environment for them to express their faith, and support them in their early walks with Christ.

This coming month, we begin joining up with Dig-In and Victoria's group to help strengthen the bond between the two groups and make transitions easier as they go into Youth Group in the next few years, and give the current Youth Group opportunities to become leaders. So stay tuned for next month's update!

Look forward to speaking to y'all again soon!

Brandon Phelps

Festival of Trees

You're Invited to the Festival of Trees!

Join us for a magical holiday experience filled with beautifully decorated trees, festive cheer, and community giving!

Event Dates & Times

- **November 7th, 8th, 9th** 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: The Church of St. Luke & St. Peter

What to Expect:

- Stroll through a wonderland of **fully decorated trees**—each adorned with unique themes and treasures.
- Enter raffles for your chance to **take home a tree!**
- Support **St. Cloud Cares**, a 501(c)(3) organization providing weekend meal packs for children in Osceola County at risk of going hungry.
- All proceeds benefit **The Church of St. Luke & St. Peter** and help strengthen our community.

How You Can Help:

Bring a donation of the **specific food items** requested by St. Cloud Cares and join us in giving children the gift of nourishment and hope this holiday season.



Cantata Information

THEN CHRIST CAME

Created and Arranged by CLIFF DUREN

Directed by TIMOTHY T. HEARN

Performed by The Joint Choirs from:

The Episcopal Church of St. Luke and St. Peter

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Catholic Church

with Musicians and Singers from:

Music n' More Music School, Hunters Creek

and Special Guest.



SUNDAY DECEMBER 14, 2025

The Church of St. Luke & St. Peter

2745 Canoe Creek Road

St. Cloud, FL 34772

2:00 p.m.

YOUTH GROUP

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Youth Group



The Order of the Daughters of the King (DOK) is an order for lay women in the Episcopal Church with the purpose of encouraging and practicing ministries of prayer, service, and evangelism.

Since it is a lay order, members make a lifetime commitment of prayer service and evangelism. Before formal installation, each candidate goes through a three-month course of study.

Daughters of the King meets the first Sunday of every month at 11am. If you are interested in becoming a daughter, call Esther Gonzalez or attend one of our meetings.

Donation Info:

Daughters of the King (DOK) and Families in Transition (FIT)

Boxes are in the church for you to drop off any donations you have for the DOK program for the Homeless and the FIT Program

* FIT program is in need of TRAVEL SIZE - shampoo, lotion and water bottles (8 oz)

Thank you!

New Email for prayer request: dokprayerslsp@gmail.com

If you would like to have quiet prayer time, the DOK has set up the cry room in the Church for that.



Who We Are

OSL is an international, inter-denominational, Christian healing organization. We are made up of healing communities dedicated to offering healing prayer in Jesus' name to all who are in need. We are a Christian community of faith, prayer and service. We are a network of individual believers who come together to learn more about God' healing love and the power of the Holy Spirit to transform lives and bring wholeness. Once trained, we offer healing prayer in our communities. This is our unique mission and ministry.

We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the First Month of the Quarter

6:00pm, in the Sanctuary.

Please enter through the Narthex (the side doors will be locked)

Jesus's healing is for today just as much as it was when he walked the earth and performed miracles of healing the sick and disabled. The Bible tells us that "But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed." ~ Isaiah 53:5.

Jesus can still heal today!



"Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven."

- James 5:14-15

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." ~ Isaiah 41:10

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." - Psalm 147:3



Short Prayer for Healing - "Father, help me to keep my focus on You when the pain and hurt are overwhelming. Help me be faithful and see the good and blessings surrounding me. Please strengthen my mind, heart, and body, and heal me today. May the Holy Spirit guide me in peace and comfort. Amen."



Information:

Saint Cloud Cares meets here at SLSP in the Parish Hall weekly on Thursday's at 9am.

Volunteers are always welcome.

Your continued support is appreciated with donations of tuna fish, Vienna sausages, instant oatmeal packets, applesauce, pudding cups and mac and cheese boxes.

Or by donation—a check mailed to St. Cloud Cares,
2745 Canoe Creek Road, 34772

It will be used to purchase the food items.

Thank you.

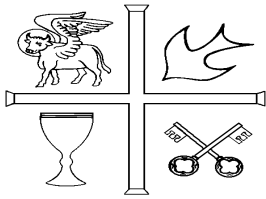


Do you love to sing ?

We are always looking for individuals
That would like to join the Choir.

Please see Mr. Timothy Hearn
if you're interested in learning more about this ministry





St. Luke and St. Peter Church

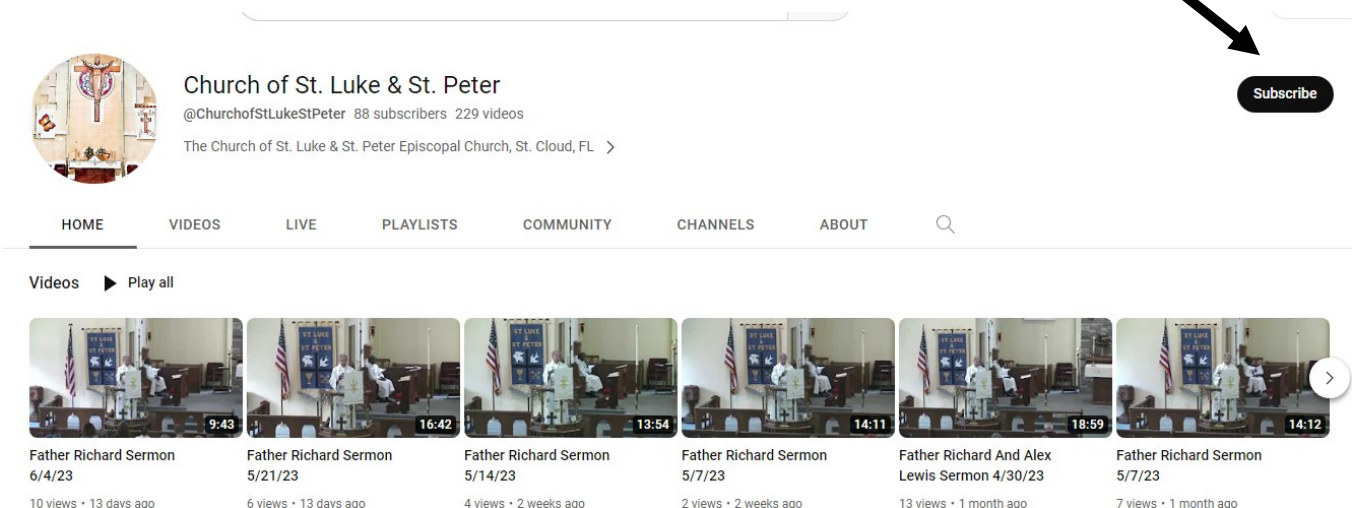
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Did you know that we have playlists on our YouTube channel? Each week, We save the sermon as a separate video and add it to the season's playlist—

Head over to our YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@ChurchofStLukeStPeter>, then click "Playlists" Scroll through the playlists until you find one that calls to you!

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Father Richard And Alex Lewis Sermon 4/30/23	18:59	13 views	1 month ago
Father Richard Sermon 5/7/23	14:12	7 views	1 month ago



1st- Carmen Walker
Asante Vega
2nd- Kimberly Jones
3rd- Landon Millman
5th- Ina Rohde
Katy Drogos
7th- Alexandra Parr
8th- Connie Williams
10th- Joanne Welker
11th- Logan Figeac
The Rev. Father Guy Dioguardi
12th- Myrna Bennett Jackson
15th- Margaret Hinds
Tristan Whaley
Robert Chester
16th- Barbara Pfluke
Majeedah Murad
18th- Zoe Huffman
19th- Cindy Pabon
Colleen Hutton
21st- Juan Pabon
22nd- Pierre David Kalfon -Lapointe
29th- Danny Collier
Michael Fodor
31st- John Chambless
Jorge Vega

1st- Jeff & Beverly Jennings
2nd- Jon & Elsy Stevens
4th- Kirk & Leighann Straughen
5th- Kimberly & Chris Jones
13th- Adolfo & Penny Figeac

*(If you had/have a Birthday or Anniversary this month and your names aren't here, please contact the office so that I can update your information in our database).
Thank you! Carrie - Office #407-892-3227 or email to slspchurch@gmail.com*

Congratulations To Our Expectant Mothers

Amanda Ellis

Congratulations to Our New Mothers



Prayers of the People

Members of the Parish

Robin Hengels	Sharon Hudson	Bette McBride
Adolfo Figeac	Henry Rohde	Joe Grady
Pat Smith	Miriam Kinard	Fr. Guy
John Chambless	Maria Borchers	Carol Woods
Marilyn Stemphoski	Judy Kraubetz	Cassie H.
Danny Collier	Judy Grinnell	Lauren Eib
Cindy Davis	Gail Hayden	Mike Mannino
Inshan Ali	Nerissa Ali	Richard P.
Isabella Ali	Zachary Ali	Lloyd Ranchurejee
Ann Logan	Susan Hill	Maryella Wood
Joyce Albright & Family	Colleen Hutton	Thelma McGhee
Tripp Kessler	Brandt Palmer	

Family and Friends of the Parish

Richelle Barber	Ivy Trujillo	Nadia Eaddy
Joe Henderson	Niecey	Joan Herbert
Kathleen Randall Marks	Audra Webber	Julio Perez
Bill & Rochelle Wilner	Louis Chancey	Pedro Sosa
Ed Parks	Nicolai Ward	Cleo Miller
Brenda Harrod	Dawn Davis	Causton Merchant
Dionne Wilson	Kristi Melton	Joanne Lee
Weston Nobles	Robert Ray	Nancy Lopez
Ruth- Ann	Ralph Sharp	Curtis Hearn
Calvin Leverette	Joshua & Ginna (Hearn Family)	
Irene Rodriguez	Cathy Moore	Timothy Hearn Family (Steven & Edward Hearn)
Drew Payne	Darwin Hedges	Joyce Seaward
Jesse	Ms. Joachim	David Grabosky
Joe Nathan	Geraldine Reithmiller	Bryan & Sue Dever
Gema Evans	Italo Victor Brett	Sadie & Adalind Chaffee
Henry Hearn Jr.	Carol Yanish	Rainey Bell Nunery & Family
Wayne Garland	Glady's Leverette	Vilola Oatis
Nelida Gonzalez	Roger P.	Issac Sabo
Tracie Miller	Craig Coulton	Ann Logan
Mellisa Shafer	Yesenia	Susan Davis
Carla Varner	Isabel Chambless	

Our Military Personnel:

Steven Lightsey, Jason Smith, L.B. Belford, Joshua Quinn, John Garland, Jr., Molly Solsbury, Ashli & Richard Africain, Andre Sinclair, Amanda Patton, Taylor Patton, Sammy Martin, Zachary Brady, Nathan Grigsby, Caleb Hayden, Jared Rotunda, Victor Romero, Jaynie, Bryce Cook, Gillian Stewart, Gavan Cragell and Kofi Amissah.

Homebound Members and Friends

Joanne Welker Lyn Kirkland

Expectant Mothers

Amanda Ellis





8:00 A.M. SERVERS

DATE	LAY READER	READER	USHERS
10/5	Brandon Phelps	Sandra Vassel Habakkuk 1:1-4,2:1-4	Sandra Vassel
10/12	Jon Stevens	George MacArthur 2 Kings 5:1-3,7-15c	Sandra Vassel
10/19	Jon Stevens	Sandra Vassel Genesis 32:22-31	Sandra Vassel
10/26	Jon Stevens	Donna Millman Sirach 35:12-17	Sandra Vassel

OCTOBER

9:30 A.M.

DATE	LAY READERS	ACOLYTES	READER	PRAYER LEADER	USHERS
10/5	Martin Harris	Blase Ullrich Grace Ullrich	Mike Scibetta Habakkuk 1:1- 4,2:1-4	Barbra Harris	Rene Lewis Margie Stankiewicz
10/12	Mike Misenti	Kimberly Mi- senti Zoe H.	Laura Misenti 2 Kings 5:1-3,7- 15c	Colleen Hut- ton	Richard Fifield Kathy Russell
10/19	Brian Phelps	Lanie Aslan Aubree Nock	Jason Buckner Genesis 32:22- 31	Corey Harris	Fred Hutton Darnley Davis
10/26	Richard Fifield	Carly Leach Sofia Grady	Justin Orton Sirach 35:12-17	Kathy Russell	Roop Chandoo Ken Beckles