# The Saint November 2024

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**Sunday Services:** 

8:00am...Traditional Communion 9:30am...Family Communion (livestreamed) 11:00am...Bible History Class with Richard Fifield

6:00pm...Youth & Young Adults

**Thursday Services:** 6:00pm...Bible Study/Prayer Meeting

3rd Thursday of every month 6:00pm,....Healing Service

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#### The Rev., Dr. Richard Gonzalez

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever." - Psalm 136:1

Dear church family,

As we enter November, and we celebrate thanksgiving, we have so much to be thankful for!

Yes, there is much bad news arriving daily from around the world and right here in the Orlando area, but even in the midst of all this bad news, we can give thanks to the Lord, for He is GOOD!

And we are reminded that every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father.

So, as we pray this thanksgiving, in our prayers, let us not neglect to give thanks to the God from whom all blessings flow.

Philippians 4:6-7 tells us "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." -

Beloved of God, this thanksgiving let's set aside holiday preparations for just a few moments so we can gather together with family and friends in the spirit of what Thanksgiving is all about -- Giving Thanks to the Lord!

Please know that I am thankful to God for each of you! It is a joy and a privilege to be your brother in Christ and serve alongside of you in the cause of Christ. Together, may our service to the Lord "overflow in many thanksgivings to God" (2 Corinthians 9:12)!

Happy thanksgiving,

Fr. Richard

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#### 2024 Financial Report

(as o	f September 2024)
YTD Offering	\$256,076.50
YTD Expenses	\$230,151.48
YTD Balance	\$25,927.19

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#### VESTRY MINUTES, September 10,2024

Members Present: Father Richard, Jeff Jennings, Denise Vega, Jason Ullrich, Jason Buckner, Sonia Palmer.

Members Absent: Fred Hutton and Doug Ryan The meeting came to order at 6:10pm with a prayer given by Fr. Richard.

**Minutes:** The minutes of September 2024 were reviewed & approved Motion: to accept the minutes of the September Vestry Meeting. Motion was made by Jason Ullrich, second by Denise Vega, no farther discussion, unanimously approved

Finance: The financial September 2024 were reviewed.

Motion: to approve the finances September 2024 Motion was made by Jason Ullrich, second by Jeff Jennings, no farther discussion and unanimously approved.

#### **Old Business:**

New Building for ATA – the original building is now owned by the City of St. Cloud. We are looking at several options.

Pledge campaign – Pledge cards are available, and we will be printing to distribute in November. Security Cameras – on hold due to expense

Semi-Circle landscaping – Jose will fix it when the weather is better.

Girl Scouts- completed cleaning out of the kitchen.

Donation Process – check scanner has been installed and working well

#### New Business:

Brandon Phelps- Nomination for the Discernment Process. Vestry agreed and signed a Recommendation letter and forwarded it to the Diocese.

Retired Clergy Luncheon – waiting on information from the Diocese.

New Members reception – will be held October 27<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30am service.

Key for Denise for offices – Key will be made by Jason.

ATA rental of Parish Hall- ATA has agreed to pay rental fee for all events in the Hall based on Parishioner rate.

#### Warden Time:

The next Vestry meeting will take place November 12, 2024, at 6 pm The meeting ended at 7:35 pm with the Lord's Prayer. Respectfully submitted, Father Richard

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1			1	2 Fellowship Breakfast at Fat Boy's restaurant 9am
3 8am Church Ser- vice Rite 1 9:30 am Church Service Rite II DOK Meeting 11am	4	5	6 Dig In 5:30pm grilled cheese and soup - 6pm class Youth Group Choir practice 6pm	7 St. Cloud Cares 9:30am parish Hall Bible Study 6 pm	8 Praise Worship 7pm	9
10 8am Church Ser- vice Rite 1 9:30 am Church Service Rite II	11	12	13 Youth- PB&J outreach Choir practice 6pm	14 St. Cloud Cares 9:30am parish Hall Bible Study 6 pm	15 Festival of Trees 10am- 3pm	16 Festival of Trees 10am-3pm
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24 8am Church Ser- vice Rite 1 9:30 am Church Service Rite II	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Day	29	30

# PRAISE NIGHT!



# JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP, WORSHIP, AND PRAISE! November 8th, 7pm-8pm @ St. Luke and St. Peter Episcopal Church

# 2745 CANOE CREEK ROAD, ST. CLOUD, FL, 34772

# IN THE SANCTUARY

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:

BRANDON PHELPS AT (407) 301-0735



The month of October was a fun one. We taught the preschool children about not having to fear anything as long as we have Jesus in our hearts! We did the pumpkin prayer and had a costume parade in our memorial garden. Next month we are looking forward to teaching the kids about "thanks-living", which is living a life of thankfulness. We will be collecting food for St. Cloud Cares







-Ms. Victoria & Ms. Rose





Thank you to all of the Trunks (you did an awesome job decorating)

To the best dressed Trick or Treaters!

Thank you to all who donated candy, and to the volunteers who made this night possible.























Happy Halloween everyone!

Another month has come and gone as we get ramped up into the holiday season for the Youth Group! We continued our sandwich outreach this month with the most Youth we have had show up since we started this with 6 Youth coming to make 70 sandwiches for HireQuest! It was such a fun time, and fellowship with all of the Youth!

We also attended a Halloween Event with the other Youth Groups in the Diocese at the Cathedral in Downtown Orlando! (More pictures to come next month for the newsletter)

In other news, the Youth Group is gearing up for our next event in January called Rock the Universe. This is an event that the Youth Group has done for years, that involves going to Universal after hours, riding some rides, and listening and worshipping with hundreds of other Youth in the country, listening to today's popular Christian artists and bands. This is such a fun time and the Youth Group always has a fantastic time! If anyone is interested in donating towards this awesome event, please reach out to me! We will also be looking to do another Bake Sale sometime before Christmas or right after the New Year to help raise money! More information to come.

To close this month's newsletter out, I just ask for prayers for the Youth and for myself as we continue on our mission to create a safe, faith-forming space for these Youth to come together and not only learn about Christ, but to know who Christ is, and to participate in God's action in our lives and in our community.

Thank you all so much, and God bless! Brandon Phelps



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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03	04	05	<b>06</b> Youth Group	07	<b>08</b> Praise Night!	09
10	11	12	<b>13</b> PB&J Outreach! Dinner After- wards	14	15	16
17	18	19	<b>20</b> Youth Group Movie Night!	21	22	23
24	25	26	<b>27</b> No Youth Group	28 Thanksgiving	<b>29</b> Black Friday	30



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.









### + OSL A MINISTRY OF CHRISTIAN HEALING

#### 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 third Thursday of every month. 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."





Since August 29 of this year, St. Cloud Cares has prepared and distributed to area schools 2,147 of the 10-item weekend food packages. Here's where they went on October 24:

Michigan Avenue Elementary 56 East Lake Elementary 35 Canoe Creek K-8, 32 Harmony Community 31 Narcoosse Elementary 26 Neptune Elementary 20 Voyager K-8, 18 Lakeview Elementary 15 St. Cloud Elementary 13 Hickory Tree Elementary 12

Thank you for your food and monetary contributions. They are helping hundreds of children and families each weekend. St. Cloud Cares, 2745 Canoe Creek Road, 34772.





Church of St. Luke & St. Peter

# Christmas FESTIVAL OF TREES

# November 15th & 16th

10am-3pm

Photo with Santa!! Letter to Santa Coloring Station

SEASONAL REFRESHMENTS & SNACKS

### Tree Raffle: Win the WHOLE tree and gifts that accompany it!!

We encourage you to bring a non-parishable item for St. Cloud Cares pantry: Peanut Butter, Jelly (plastic container), Ramen Noodles, or Boxed Macaroni and Cheese

2745 Canoe Creek Road, St. Cloud

# **Christmas** FESTIVAL OF TREES Nov. 15th-16th

Church of St. Luke & St. Peter

10am-3pm

The Church of St. Luke & St. Peter is hosting the 3rd Annual Festival of Trees. This is a wonderful opportunity to both support a local charitable organization, as well as, promote your business or organization, and creativly involve your co-workers, members, students, family, or friends.

Be as creative as you'd like; your tree theme is up to you. Assemble a decorating team. Anyone is welcome to donate a decorated tree.

All trees must be artificial and may range from 2 ft. to 8 ft. tall. For power supply purposes please use LED lights.

The tree and it's adornments are your donation. Once the tree is completed and delivered on site and set up, it becomes the property of the Festival of Trees and will be raffled off as part of the event's fundraising efforts. We can provide you with a donation verification letter should you desire it for tax purposes. Set up will be Thursday 11/14/24 starting at 4pm.

> For questions and sign up information reach out to Kimberly Jones 407-744-8891 eventsslsp@gmail.com

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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







## Join Us For the Christmas Cantata



BY PHIL BAREFOOT ARRANGED BY CLIFF DURAN PRESENTED BY THE JOINT CHOIRS MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE & ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI CATHOLIC CHURCH HUNTER'S CREEK COMMUNITY CHOIR DECEMBER 1, 2024 THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE & ST. PETER 2745 CANOE CREEK ROAD 2:00 p.m. DECEMBER 8, 2024 ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH 700 BROWN CHAPEL ROAD 3:30 p.m.





# 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!

Don't forget to subscribe!!







- 2nd-Austin Grathwol 5th-**Brian Phelps** Aidan Vega 6th-7th-Samantha Kulick Sidney Lewis 8th-11th- Nancy Becker 14th- Dana Smith 17th- Valarie Weber Magnus Drogos Jayda Pabon 20th- Susan Hill 21st- Ethan Ali 23rd- Priscilla Harrington 24th- Denise Vega 26th- Pat Smith Madison O'Rourke Edris Merchant
- 6th- Jeremy & Rose Rohde
- 8th- Paul & Victoria Reich
- 15th- Mike & Connie Williams

Pierre & Dawn Kalfon-Lapointe

16th- John & Merlene Rohde

Gary & Chickie Arendas

(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

**Congratulations to Our New Mothers** 



#### **Prayers of the People**

#### Members of the Parish

Robin Hengels Adolfo Figeac Pat Smith John Chambless Rose Rohde Chris Palmer Esther Gonzalez Carole Bock Isabella Ali Ann Logan Joyce Albright & Family Richard P. The Weber/Reich Family

#### Family and Friends of the Parish

Richelle Barber Joe Henderson Kathleen Randall Marks Lydia Wirth Ed Parks Brenda Harrod Dionne Wilson Weston Nobles Ruth- Ann Oraida Lastre Irene Rodriguez Drew Payne Jesse Joe Nathan Gema Evans Henry Hearn Jr. Eileen Croucy Nelida Gonzalez Tracie Miller Mellisa Shafer Italo Victor Brett Louis Chancey

Sharon Hudson Henry Rohde Miriam Kinard Maria Borchers Marilyn Stemphoski Danny Collier Cindy Davis Inshan Ali Zachary Ali Carol Pahucki Charlene Lackey Tripp Kessler Maryella Wood

Ivy Trujillo Niecev Audra Webber Bill & Rochelle Wilner Nicolai Ward Dawn Davis Kristi Melton Robert Ray Ralph Sharp Calvin Leverette Cathy Moore Darwin Hedges Ms. Joachim Geraldine Reithmiller Dionne Wilson Carol Yanish Wayne Garland Roger P. Craig Coulton Yesenia Suzanne Petrone

Betty McBride Joe Grady Craig Russell Carol Woods Judy Kraubetz Judy Grinnell Gail Hayden Nerissa Ali Lloyd Ranchurejee Susan Hill Colleen Hutton Cassie H. Brandt Palmer

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#### **Our Military Personnel**:

Steven Lightsey, Jason Smith, Justin Belford, L.B. Belford, Robert Jordan, 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 and Victor Romero.

#### **Homebound Members and Friends**

Joanne Welker

Lyn Kirkland



### November 8:00 A.M. SERVERS

DATE	LAY READER	READER	USHERS
11/3	Brandon Phelps	Sandra Vassel Deuteronomy 6:1-9	Sandra Vassel
11/10	Jon Stevens	George MacArthur 1 Kings 17:8-16	Sandra Vassel
11/17	Donna Tafat	Sandra Vassel Daniel 12:1-3	Sandra Vassel
11/24	Jon Stevens	Donna Millman Daniel 7:9- 10,13-14	Sandra Vassel



#### November

### 9:30 A.M. SERVERS

DA TE	LAY READERS	ACOLYTES	READER	PRAYER LEADER	USHERS
11/ 3	Martin Harris	Grace Ullrich Blasé Ullrich	Mike Scibetta Deuteronomy 6:1-9	Jason Ullrich	Rene Lewis
11/ 10	Mike Misenti	Kimberly Mi- senti Sofia Grady	Laura Misenti 1 Kings 17:8-16	Merrielle Buckner	Richard Fifield Kathy Russell
11/ 17	Brian Phelps	Zoe Huffman Emily Grady	Jason Buckner Daniel 12:1-3	Kathy Russell	Roop Chandoo Ken Beckles
11/ 24	Brandon Phelps	Montana Ander- son Lanie Aslan	Justin Orton Daniel 7:9- 10,13-14	Colleen Hutton	Darnley Davis

