

# THE TRUMPETER

FEBRUARY 2020

## Thoughts from your Vicar

Welcome new Members of the Body of Christ!

There are three major areas of focus for worship in our churches: 1) Baptismal Font; 2) Lectern and Pulpit; and 3) Altar.

Baptism, which takes place at the baptismal font, is where the entrance into the church family takes place. Our Book of Common Prayer tells us that “baptism is full initiation, by water and the Holy Spirit, into Christ’s body, the church.”

Second, the lectern and the pulpit are where we are taught. We hear the word of God in the reading of the Scriptures and we are taught about the word of God.

The third focal point is the altar. We come to the altar to be fed. We come to receive the body and blood of Christ, to remember that Christ died for us on the cross and he shed his blood for us. No one is turned away from the altar.

In this season of Epiphany, of the coming of the light, we have been privileged here at St Luke’s Parish, to expand our family of faith with four baptisms. On February 9, 2020 we welcomed Shane Michael Evans, Eden Rose Elizabeth Leonard, Willis Hampton “Jim” Richards and Robin Danielle Siegert into our branch of the family of Christ. We will also be baptizing Dale Runyon into our church family on March 15, 2020.

Welcome to all! We here at St. Luke’s look forward to getting to know each of our new members better. We look forward to worshiping together. And together we look forward to sharing the light of Christ to all in our communities of Church Hill and Sudlersville.

In Christ’s Name, Loretta

## *St. Luke's Parish Loses A Faithful Friend*

Anna Roberts Ware was born at Rose Hill Farm near Sudlersville on April 28, 1923 **and died on December 4, 2019. Graduating from Sudlersville High School** in 1940, she went on to graduate from Mary Washington College in 1944 as a teacher. She taught for Montgomery and Queen Anne's Counties. She has the distinction of being the first community kindergarten teacher in Queen Anne's County. Her classroom was housed in the basement of the Church Hill Theatre. Anna's family was composed of many distinguished members. Her Uncle, Mr. Dudley George Roe, was a representative in the Maryland Legislature and served the community well. Her mother, Mae Roe Roberts, was the quintessential Girl Scout leader having assembled the first scout troop on the Delmarva Peninsula. Anna would become an active participant. Troop number one of which I also was a *member, although many years later, was the most highly decorated and well-traveled troop on the entire east coast.* During the shore's hot summers, Anna and her two sisters enjoyed the benefits of attending Camp Wright, sponsored by The Diocese Of Easton, a tradition that is still very popular today. Anna often helped her mother at St. Andrew's with altar and church responsibilities which would prepare her for many years of dedicated service in numerous capacities. However, serving on the altar would become her penchant. As the years passed, Anna would lead the churchwomen of the parish and was our go-to person who made everything work seamlessly. She took pride in her work and guided us while instilling a sense of pride in all of us. She loved her church and church family. She often reminisced about the joy of belonging to the "Young Couples Club" of St. Luke's and of the fellowship found by attending the ladies' "Sip And Sew" group. Throughout the years she participated in many historical organizations and was proud to be a member of The Daughters of The American Revolution. She had an unquenchable thirst for history and often during coffee hours you could easily spot Anna with a crowd gathered round her asking questions about the history of the region. She was compelling to listen to and we couldn't get enough of it. We were treated by Anna during one of the last coffee hours that she attended. She served Lobster Newberg on toast points, a delightful treat that she had promised to make for us. She made that special day happen and many of us will long remember the occasion. With her love and dedication, Anna made many special things happen in her community and in her church. We now reap the benefits of her legacy.

YESTERDAY is history, TOMORROW is a mystery, yet TODAY is a gift; that's why they call it the PRESENT

## **Upcoming Dates:**

- 2/25 Shrove Tuesday Supper @ St. Andrew's (4:30 pm-6:30 pm)
- 2/26 Ash Wednesday Service @ St. Luke's (7:00 pm)
- 4/5 Palm Sunday Service @ St. Andrew's (10:00 pm)
- 4/9 Maundy Thursday Service @ Shrewsbury (6:00 pm)
- 4/12 Easter Sunday Service @ St. Luke's (10:00 am) Easter Egg Hunt to follow service

## **If These Walls Could Talk...**

What's new with our buildings and grounds?

- Vestry approved the proposal of repairing the pipe organ at St. Luke's. Mr. David Story disassembled the organ and took it to his shop in Baltimore for repair. The company took the organ parts in January and expect the job will take about three months to complete at the approximate cost of \$14,000.
- A new commercial sized dehumidifier has been installed in the basement at St. Luke's. It has significantly reduced the mold issue.
- The rectory at St. Luke's has gone through some changes! After lead paint remediation, painting and a few renovations, the rectory is now rented to a family. The income generated by the rental is a positive move to boost the church's revenue.
- Ellen Walmsley is our church's liaison for organizations or individuals who wish to rent church properties. During the past year nearly \$2,000.00 was collected. The Farm Bureau Organization, a Scout Troop, Church Hill Theatre Organization and AA are a few of the frequent users.
- New gutters were installed on the parish house at S. Luke's.
- A new propane gas furnace was installed recently at St. Andrew's Church.
- Tom Godfrey is the liaison for St. Luke's Church cemetery plots.
- Because of generous donations, the wood floor near the altar at St. Luke's has been repaired and refinished. It is absolutely beautiful.

## *News From The Pews...*

- Jane and Emily Godfrey continue to delight us with their musical talents! Jane plays the organ and piano weekly. Emily plays the guitar and sings periodically. We love the music and are grateful for their dedication.
- Attendance is on the rise! We gather together after EVERY service for coffee and treats. All seem to enjoy this time of fellowship!
- Parish Life donated money at Christmas to the following organizations: Boy Scouts who use our facilities; The Seamen's Church Institute; and The Children's Home Foundation,

part of outreach work done through The Diocese of Easton. Thank you Sammie Crossley for your continued work for Parish Life.

- Thank you Tony Poole for your hard work making sure that the liturgical schedule is up to date so that service participants know what is expected of them.

#### Four Persons Baptized At St. Luke's Church On February 9, 2020

We welcome the four people who were recently baptized by The Rev. Stephan Klingelhofer:

*Shane Michael Evans, Eden Rose Elizabeth Leonard,*

*Willis Hampton "Jim" Richards, Robin Danielle Siegert*

The Holy Baptism service was a beautiful, moving event for the candidates as well as the entire congregation. It provided a special time for all to renew their Baptismal Covenant.

CHURCH: Where the WORSHIP lifts us,  
The WORD challenges us,  
The HOLY SPIRIT impacts us,  
The FELLOWSHIP encourages us!

*Thank you Rev. Loretta Collins, Deacon, for all you do to guide, lead and grow our church and its members. You truly lift us up and encourage everyone!*

Current Vestry and Officers:

Mr. Tom Godfrey

Mrs. Sammie Crossley

Mr. Bob Campbell

Mrs. Sandy Hartmann, Senior Warden

Ms. Molly Lukehart, Junior Warden

Mr. Bill Walmsley, Treasurer,

Mrs. Lisa Godfrey, Registrar,

Mrs. Carolyn MacGlashan, Bookkeeper

Ann O. Campbell, Editor



*Anna Roberts Ware*