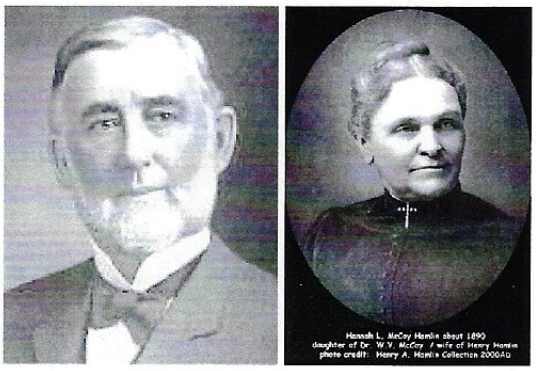
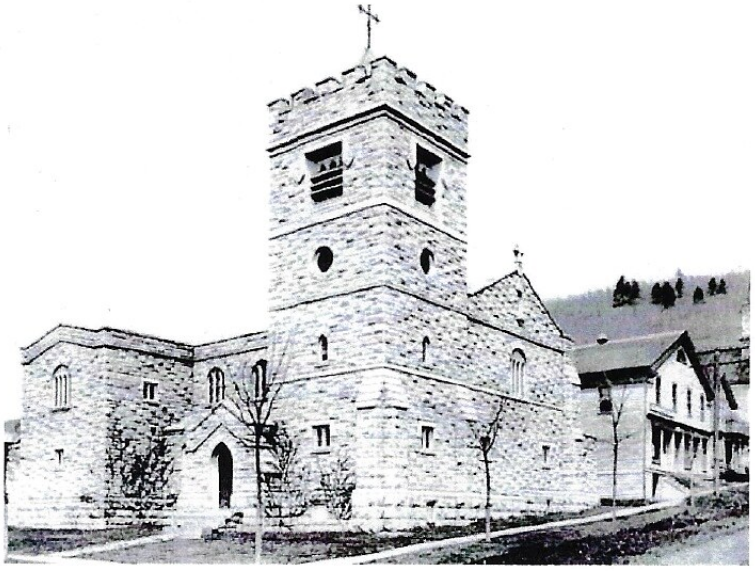


HENRY AND HANNAH HAMLIN



ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SMETHPORT, PA.

130 YEAR CELEBRATION OF THE CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH

1892-2022 SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

RECTORS OF ST. LUKE'S

J.H. McCANDESS	1880-1909	* Rector Emeritus
W.E.Van Dyke	1909-1943	* Rector Emeritus
Rodney F. Cobb	1943-1949	
Arthur B. Cope	1949-1963	
Calvin R. Miller	1965-1975	
Christopher Barker	1975-1978	
Jonathan MacKenzie	1978-1982	
John W. Inman	1983-1988	
Mark Giroux	1990-1995	
Karen Henry	1996-2002	
Stephen Shuart	2004-2006	
John Wesley	2005-2009	
William Crittenden	2009-2013	
Joann Piatko	2014-2018	
Deborah Cavagnaro	2011-2021	*served as a Deacon during this time.

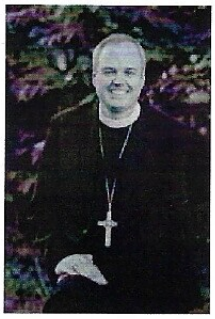
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Rogers Israel	1911-1921
John C. Ward	1921-1943
Edward Pinkney Wroth	1943-1946
Harold E. Sawyer	1946-1951
William Crittenden	1952-1973
Donald Davis	1974-1991
Robert Rowley	1991-2006
Sean W. Rowe	2007-Present

**AT THE TIME HE WAS CONSECRATED BISHOP ROWE WAS THE YOUNGEST BISHOP EVER CONSECRATED IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 130TH CONSECRATION OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

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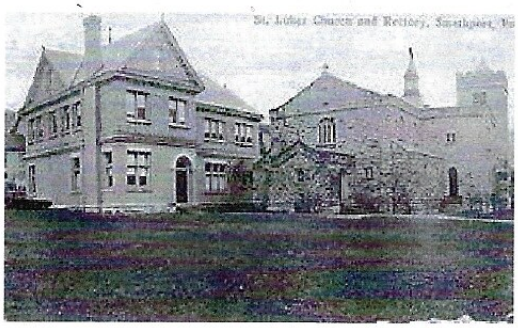


BISHOP SEAN ROWE

5:30PM DINNER HOSTED BY DEBORAH AND GEORGE TUFTS
CATERED BY EDDIE'S ON MAIN, PORT ALLEGANY, PA.
HOMEMADE PIES ARE COURTESY OF THE LADIES OF ST. LUKES.

*AFTER DINNER ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE PERFORMED BY **SIMPLE FAITH** (JULIE BAKER, JAMIE TRASK AND KERRIE PESSIA).*

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO VIEW THE DISPLAYS OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH HISTORY.



God of the past, the present, and of the future,

God who is, who was and who is to come,

Dwell in this place, and in our living,

So that St Andrew's Church will continue to be a people who welcome, worship and witness to the Way of faith, hope and love.

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, may it always be so. AMEN

A NOTE FROM THE BISHOP'S WARDEN

This is a glorious day to celebrate the 130th anniversary of our beautiful St. Luke's church. I grew up in this church and have so many great memories of St. Luke's. I remember my mom, Dody Huff telling me when my sister Sue and I were little Fr. Arthur Cope came for a visit. My little sister and I had just come in from outside and it was a typical NW PA winter day. Before Fr. Cope was ready to leave my sister and I decided we wanted to go outside once again. So Father Cope sat down on the floor and helped us put on out boots and coats. My mom truly appreciated and never forgot his helping hand that day.

I remember young people's Bible study on Wednesday after school. We would play games and learn stories about the saints. When doing the research I didn't realize that Fr. Miller was drilling that material in our heads and honestly some things I will never forget☺ I sing a song of the Saints of God. I remember good times at Chestnut Ridge on Chautauqua Lake....there was maybe an indiscretion that took place that will not be mentioned but many good memories were made in the late 60's.

I was married at St. Luke's and my boys were baptized at St. Luke's. This was the unfortunate time when I stepped away from the church. I had a busy life but God was always with me. In my work as a Labor and Delivery Nurse I witnessed the miracle of birth on a daily basis. There were times when I had to intervene when necessary and perform my GOD given talents to assist a new life into the world. I have been truly blessed. One day when Pastor Joann Piatko came to the hospital to offer prayer to a mother who recently had a stillbirth. I listened to prayers offered to this grieving mother and I knew in my heart it was time to come back to St. Luke's. I know I am a better person for my decision. With the prayers and guidance of the congregation and help from God, I am honored to be the Bishop's Warden of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

Fondly yours, Jayme Covert Bishop's Warden



THE HISTORY OF ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SMETHPORT, PA.

In reading back on the history of the Episcopal Church in Smethport it is very evident that the church gained its strength through Sunday school. Mrs. JC Hamlin was the force behind this venture. Mrs. Hamlin trained young girls to be Sunday school teachers meeting Friday nights to plan out the lessons. Mrs. JC Hamlin was assisted by her sister Mrs. Henry Hamlin in establishing Sunday School. The two sisters were diligent and faithful workers. This was the nucleus of St. Luke's Church.

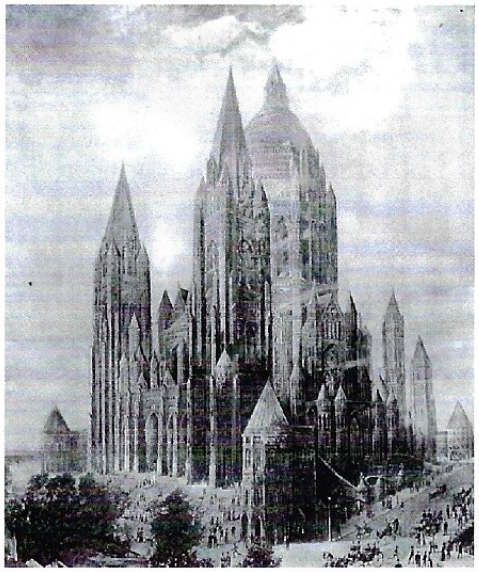
In 1879 a meeting of this mission congregation elected a five man vestry consisting of H. Hamlin, HL McCoy, DC Young, JC Backus and JC Hamlin. The Vestry agreed to call this mission **St. Luke's**. With proper procedure, St. Luke's was admitted to the Diocese of Pittsburgh. The Hon. Byron O. Hamlin donated the corner lot on Fulton and King St which would be ample size for the church. The church was consecrated on August 21, 1881. Rev. J. Herbert McCandess was now rector.

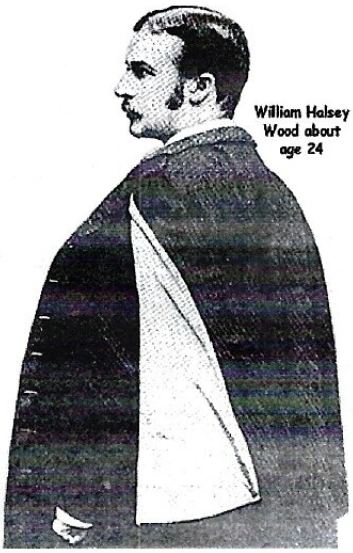
The Rt. Rev. William B. Stevens, Bishop of Pennsylvania consecrated the building, acting for Bishop Kerfoot who was now very ill. There was a great gladness in the hearts of the people that after all the years of being a mission they had their own place for worship. The small white church with narrow Gothic windows looked much like a New England Church. This church grew rapidly. A pipe organ, the first one in Smethport was installed in 1882. On October 20, 1885 the Rev. McCandess and Miss Emma Hamlin were married. The bishop officiated at this beautiful celebration. The wedding gown that Miss Hamlin wore can be seen at the McKean Co. Historical Museum in Smethport.

The history of All Saints Chapel is an interesting one. Erected in 1887 in East Smethport this chapel was located in Mt. Alton and given to the Episcopalians by Mr. JE Butts and family. Carefully torn down, it was moved by horse and wagon to East Smethport and rebuilt on a plot of land given by Dr. HL McCoy. It was named "All Saints Chapel" and services were held once a week as well as Sunday school.

In 1882 the Fire Department of Smethport requested the Rector grant them a lease of a strip of land to erect a building for a fire department which was granted. In 1890 since the church was growing rapidly there was talk of remodeling the church, Sunday school and guild rooms by Rev. McCandess. Mr. Henry Hamlin stated to the Vestry his willingness to build a new stone or brick church at his cost on ground to be donated and asked that his proposition be accepted. Therefore it was resolved that the Vestry of St. Luke's Church accepted Mr. Hamlin's generous gift.

Mr. Hamlin had travelled extensively in Europe and Great Britain and studied their churches. He was particularly impressed with the Gothic style of the 14th Century. An architect had to be found that could design Mr. Hamlin's vision. William Halsey Wood, a young architect from Newark, New Jersey who also designed the New York City Cathedral of St. John the Divine was hired for the job. Ground was broken on May 12, 1891. Many of the workers came from the Newark area and finished this job in one year. Sadly he passed away in 1897, 5 years after designing our church at the age of 41.





Elaborate consecration services for the church were held on Holy Cross Day, Sept 14, 1892, headed by the Rt. Rev. Cortland Whitehead, Bishop of Pittsburgh. In August 1895, the Vestry of St. Luke's decided to sell the former Fulton St. Church to the Swedish Lutheran Congregation for $1200.00.

For some reason there were no minutes of Vestry meeting on file for nine years. Minutes were resumed in 1909. Rev. McCandess's wife Emma, was ill and required convalescence abroad during the summer of 1909. Also, she needed to spend winters in the south. So with deep regret and sorrow Rev. Mc Candess resigned as rector of St. Luke's. With gratitude the vestry awarded Rev. McCandess the title of Rector Emeritus of St. Luke's.

In August 1909 the Rev. WE Van Dyke accepted rectorship of St. Luke's. In 1910 St. Luke's became part of the Erie diocese. In 1911 there was a meeting of the Vestry with Bishop Rogers Israel, the first Bishop of the new diocese of Erie. A memoriam to a long standing vestryman was noted in the minutes in 1913. DeWitt Clinton Young, was an upstanding member of St. Luke's. Mr. Young was noted for his gentleness, consideration for others and constant reverence in the worship of GOD and relying on his many mercies in whom he put his trust. America's involvement in World War 1 came in 1917. Rev. W Van Dyke went overseas for a year in 1919 for work with the YMCA and the Rev. EH Edson took charge of St. Luke's during his departure.

In the minutes there was no mention of the pandemic that took place in 1918-1919. During this time according to the bronze memorial plaque to the left facing the altar, Henry Hamlin passed away in June of 1919 at the age of 89. The founder of our church had nothing written about his passing in the minutes of the Vestry for St. Luke's. In 1922 Bishop Cortland Whitehead, Bishop of Pittsburgh died and there is a correspondence found sent to his wife offering condolences.

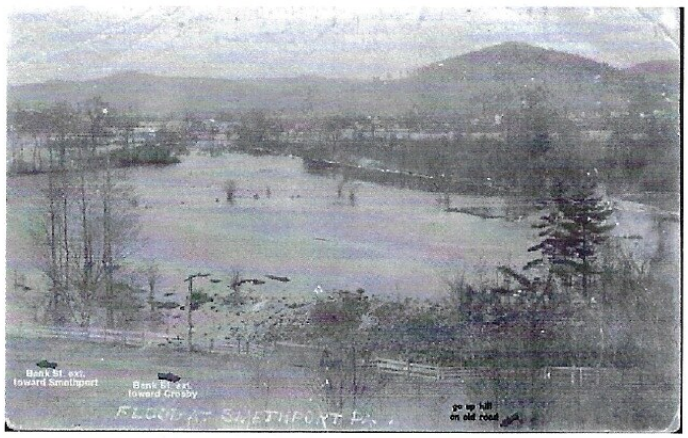
IN 1921 THE Parish Hall was erected. The kitchen and dining room were located upstairs and the downstairs was an auditorium with a stage for plays and concerts. In 1923 the Vestry consisted of the following gentlemen: Henry McCoy,

George Mitchell, Joseph Bouton, Ralph E. Burdick, Guy H. McCoy, H. Redfield, E. A. Studholm and William F. Specht. During this time reports were read from St. Priscilla's Guild by Mrs. Louis Green, St. Luke's Guild by Miss Keenan, Women's Auxiliary by Eugenia Hamlin, Sunday school league reported by Mrs. Van Dyke, St. Priscilla's Fund by Mrs. Louis Green and St. Christopher Guild by Miss Dora Keenan.

In 1924 electricity was added to the church and rectory, Mrs. Mary Hamlin Forrest paid for half of this expense. In 1930, Bernard McKean Garlick was admitted as candidate for holy orders on recommendation of the Vestry consisted of Orlo J. Hamlin, H. Redfield, William Specht, Guy McCoy EA Studholm and EG Potter. During these years it was noted that the names of the Vestry members did not change very often.

During the depression years of the 1930's the church felt the effects with the bonds which the church held paying no interest. The Bishop also asked for one dollar from each church member due to a deficit in the diocesan fund. Letters found in 1935 certify Andrew McCoy Van Dyke was admitted to the sacred order of deacons. In 1938 a Rector's salary was $2700.

In 1942 great damage was done to the All Saints Chapel in East Smethport due to the flood that took place. East Smethport was entirely under water as seen in the picture. The hassocks, prayer books and many other things were destroyed during the flood (see picture of the wide spread flooding below)



On July 1, 1942 Rev. Van Dyke tendered his resignation. His wife who had been organist was not well now. Rev. Van Dyke had been active Rector for the past 34 years. He too was made Rector Emeritus. In 1943 the Rev. Rodney F. Cobb, a native of Iowa took charge as rector. He was rector of St. Luke's, All Saints Chapel in East Smethport, Eldred and St. Joseph's in Port Allegany. It was at that time an artist was brought here for New York City to paint a mural above the altar in the chapel. This beautiful painting of "The Last Supper" was given in memory of Mrs. Harriet Redfield Gillett by her son and daughter, Redfield B. Gillett and Phyllis Card. Fr. Cobb resigned on August 11, 1949 to take up pastorate in Lynn, Massachusetts.

On October 26, 1949 the Reverend Arthur B. Cope began his pastorate here. In 1952 the church was 60 years old and repairs were being made quite frequently. The roof was repaired, new heating installed, windows and trim were painted. Altar Guild formed in 1943 accomplished work for the Red Cross during World War II and for St. Barnabas House. During this time there were many cooked food sales, rummage sales, buffets and card parties at the church. The Women's Auxiliary was very active keeping apprised of the works of the Episcopal Church in Africa. One noted lecture talked of the projects undertaken by Albert Schweitzer and his wife.

In the 1950 members of the Vestry were Orlo J. Hamlin, RE Burdick, EG Potter, RB Gillett, Hamlin Redfield, CE Emberg, FA Herriman and HA Wright. They handled the church and chapel repairs. The Parish Hall was rebuilt in 1953 and consecrated May 22, 1953 by Bishop William Crittenden. Immaculate records were kept at this time and can be seen in a scrapbook. Every newspaper entry that mentioned St. Luke's was clipped from the paper and put into the scrapbook. Kudos to the record keepers of the time. In 1954 a new mimeograph machine was purchased for leaflets and flyers. In 1955 there were over 50 baptisms.

In 1956 the last services were held at All Saints Chapel in East Smethport to ease costs to the parish. In 1960, Orlo J. Hamlin passed away. He was a 50 year member of the vestry and 36 year as Senior Warden. Through his generosity and counsel much was done for St. Luke's church.

Around this time Jay Chapman Jr. was named St. Luke's Parish Photographer. St. Luke's Altar Guild decided to start St. Faith's Altar Guild for younger girls. The girls would be assigned an Altar Guild member as their mentor. On Sunday September 16th 1962 St. Luke's commemorated the 70th anniversary of the consecration of the present church building and held a service of dedication of the new Schlicker organ.

In 1963 fire extinguishers were recommended and purchased. The UTO was in the capable hands of Ellen Anderson. In February 1964, Father Cope resigned to go to Holy Cross in North East, Pa. In February 1965 the Vestry purchased the Burt Estate on the corner of Main and Washington St. a portion of the purchase price was a gift from Mrs. Susan Hamlin Coleman. Father Calvin Miller and his family moved in with his wife Grace and 4 children during the October 1965. Many changes were taking place in the Church. Fr. Miller felt it would be an advantage to have just one women's organization instead on several small ones so the ECW was formed. The Pink Elephant resale clothing shop was started when Fr. Miller was here opening up in 1970's and is still open to this day. Vestry members in the late 1960's were Merle Dickinson, William Farrell, Carl H. Berg, George Brown, F. Gordon Coleman, Virgil Herriman, Jay E. Chapman, Wesley Eckstrom, and Walter B. Johnson.

On Wednesday afternoons in the late 60's droves of children headed from elementary school on King St. for a few blocks to St. Luke's Church for bible study. As it is written in the 1966 annual report Fr. Miller reported with "games and quizzes we drill the material into their heads". (Things are remembered to this day!) Vacation Bible School was held in 1968 with Donna Westlund and Grace Miller as co-directors. Forty seven children enrolled for the week long session. In the 1960's Georganne Sample was assistant clerk of the Vestry.

Three long time Vestry members retired in 1970. They were Donald Farrell, Carl Berg and Merle Dickinson. Prior to leaving Mr. Farrell suggested it would be of an advantage to have women on Vestry. In 1972, Donna Westlund became the first woman elected to the Vestry and she served as secretary. In 1973, long time Bishop William Crittenden retired from the Episcopal Diocese of Erie.

In 1975 Fr. Miller resigned much to the regret of the congregation. Fr. Miller his wife Grace along with daughters Mary Sue, Liz and Theresa and son Christopher served as a great addition to the St. Luke's family and the community of Smethport for the past 10 years. In 1976 several women who were ordained previously within the Episcopal Church were finally approved by the General Convention. It was finally time for women to become more active in the church. St. Luke's had their first women lay readers. Barbara Apalaski and Kay O'Conner started reading the lessons at this time.

The Rev. Christopher Barker was selected in 1975 as the next rector. He came from Sewickley, PA. It was difficult for the parishioners to get used to a new priest. Rev. Barker was concerned and quickly set into action and instituted a study that resulted in a program that parishioners met once a week with lectures that were well attended. Fr. Barker worked with communication with the congregation by the monthly newsletter "The Pen". Fr. Barker's time at St. Luke's was filled with many family styled events such as sled riding, bowling parties, Mardi Gras, Easter Egg hunts, Rally Days, hay rides and Christmas Carols. Georganne Sample was Sunday School Superintendent and was a vital part of seeing these activities took place. Fr. Barker and his family left St. Luke's in 1978.

The Rev. Jonathan MacKenzie was selected to be the next rector in 1980. The Vestry included George Apalaski as Senior Warden, Wes Eckstrom, Louise Brown, Carlyle Conn as Fr. Warden, Harold Johnson, Harry Martin, Seth Digel, Walter Johnson, Jr., Howard Wright and Clare Burdick. Father MacKenzie was instrumental in helping with the 1981 celebration of the completion of the first Episcopal Church built in Smethport (now the Trinity Lutheran Church). A sewing guild was started by Miss Mary Wilson where items of clothing quilts, etc were made for nursing homes and Veterans Hospital. Father MacKenzie and family left in 1982.

It was a year before the church found a new rector to come to St. Luke's. In 1983, Rev. John Inman, Jr. was appointed and found to be a hard worker. He hit the ground running. Fr. Inman was appointed Chairman of the Diocesan Committee on Drug and Alcohol Abuse and the Diocesan Council. He was also

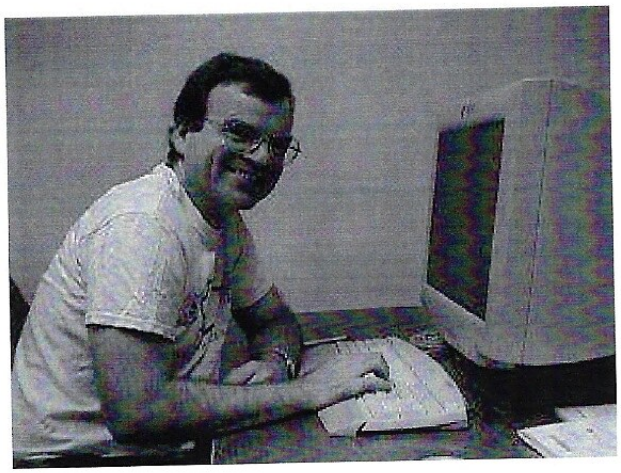
active in community affairs, like the Rotary Club, CEMP Mental Health Board (County Mental Health Services) and retired senior volunteer advisory board. One interesting thing found during Fr. Inman's time at St. Luke's was a service held in the cemetery for Halloween. Also there were very successful art festivals and bazaars during his time at St. Luke's. Fr. Inman left St. Luke's in 1988.

For a two year period St. Luke's Vestry searched for the right priest. The Rev. Mark Giroux came from the Diocese of Chicago and was happily selected by the Vestry of St. Luke's Smethport. Fr. Mark and his wife Paula had two children and were very involved in both church and community events. Fr. Giroux showed great interest in the youth of the parish. In 1991 at the annual meeting, 16 yr. old Rebekah Blair was elected to the Vestry, demonstrating the parish's commitment to youth involvement. Trained chalice bearers Betsy Wells and Lisa Ward became the first teenaged licensed Lay Eucharistic Ministers in the dioceses of NW PA.

During this time the Vestry consisted of Clair Burdick, Esther Herriman, Harold Johnston, Harry Martin, Vivian Hirsch, Richard Johnson, Anne Potter, Phyllis Anderson and Abbey Southwick. Numerous photo book pictures tell the tale of events in the church during this time. The annual pancake supper was always a wonderful event on Shrove Tuesday with the pancake recipe from Ronnie German. Memories of all the wonderful helpers through the years made this an event that the community always looked forward to. There are many good thoughts of the those great men who were always ready to help at St. Luke's at a moment's notice such as Wes Eckstrom, Harry Martin and Jay Chapman. There are others that have not been mentioned but please take a minute to say a special prayer for those who have unselfishly served our beautiful church.

Marlene Conn and her sister Cindy Longstaff for many years were in charge of the Nursery School and religious education for the children of St. Luke's. They did a great job with that. Mention has to be made of the fabulous cooks of St. Luke's. Never a soul left hungry from a tureen dinner or the like on the watch of Audrey Martin or Louise Austin two of the fabulous cooks of St. Luke's. Many copies of the cookbook, "Hometown Favorites – St. Luke's Episcopal Church Women Cookbook" have graced the kitchens of many area homes.

In 1995 Rev Mark Giroux and family much to the regret of the congregation, left for the Binghamton, NY area as there were better educational opportunities for their child Marie. In the five years they were here the Giroux family left a profound impact on the congregation of St. Luke's. Well done Father Mark and family.



In 1996 Rev. Karen Henry and husband John came to minister to St. Luke's (Mother Karen) with St. Matthew and St. Joseph for Fr. John. Mother Karen was very outgoing and friendly. The numerous pictures of this time show fun family centered activities. In 2002 the Henry's parted ways with this rural community on to more urban centered ministries. At this time the family is centered in the New York City area.

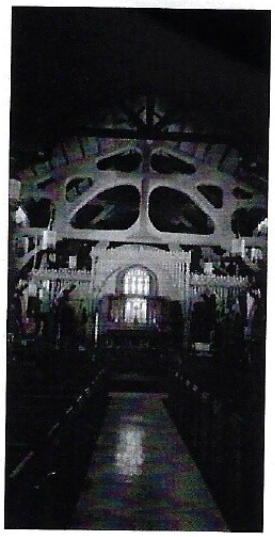
After the departure of the Henry family supply priests were abundant at St. Luke's while the diocese and our Vestry worked hard to find a priest. Services were Lay lead by Katherine Carlson and by supply priest Rev. Carol Carlson and Rev. William Crittenden to fill the void.

Fr. Stephen Shuart was described as being very down to earth a truly happy person who loved to visit people. One of our current parishioners remembers Fr. Stephen coming to her home projecting in a loud voice "the VICAR is here". Fr. Stephen was also the priest at St. John's Episcopal Church in Kane. To visualize the down to earth nature of Fr. Stephen one must take a look at the picture display of the priests of St. Luke's in the parish hall. The only priest not dress in clerical collar would be Fr. Stephen who is dressed in fishing gear.

In 2005, the Rev. John Wesley came to St. Luke's from SE Florida for 4 years. During this time was a trial of B com which was a trial period under Bishop Rowley to have congregations get groups of interested people together with other Episcopal churches to work on ideas to get involvement to work out problems facing the church today. Bill Halpenny, Jay Chapman, Kathy Carlson, Diana Anderson and Charlie Jones were some of the people from St.Luke's involved with these meeting. Everyone involved felt it was good to get to know other Episcopalians from other churches in the area.

In 2007 Bishop Sean Rowe took over the Diocese of NW PA. Bishop Sean was the youngest Bishop ever consecrated in the Episcopal Church. St. Luke's was anxious to hear his new ideas and fresh perspectives on how St. Luke's can best move forward. In 2009, Fr John Wesley left in Oct. 2009 to care for his aged parents in Florida. Fr. Bill Crittenden was put in charge of the flock at St. Luke's. Diana Anderson and Harold Johnston would help out with lay worship when needed. Mother Stacey Fussell would fill in as needed when she could since she was full time rector at Bradford Church of the Ascension. During these years many repairs and major renovations needed to be made in the church like a new boiler system and the mural over the tabernacle needed to be restored. Jamie Pierotti was Jr. Warden at this time and credits Jay Chapman with teaching him numerous things about the church. In 2011, the addition of Deacon Deb Cavagnaro was welcome to the parish of St. Luke's. During Lent, Harold Johnston and Andy Chapman led services for Stations of the Cross. In 2012 the cross on top of the church was refabricated and the church steeple was reroofed also.

In Sept. 2013 the Vestry voted to become a mission instead of a parish. This action was accepted by the diocese. During the time Bill Halpenny worked on getting lights to illuminate the wooden cross etched into the upper part of the Chancel. It is a breathtaking sight to walk into the church at night to see the upper cross illuminated. From now on these light are known as the "Halpenny lights".



Being that St. Luke's was now a mission, Bishop Sean Rowe appointed Pastor Joann Piatko to become Vicar of St. Luke's. Pastor Joann shines with her interaction with the sick, dying and grieving. She is truly caring and is an ambassador of GOD.

In 2014 the Bishop's Committee (formerly the Vestry) authorized the funds for a drainage project in the back slope of the church. Brooke Wolosewicz proved to do a great job as Junior Warden overseeing the project. In 2017 the Bishop's Committee consisted of Dona Cooper, Bonnie Hurrle, Kiker Conn, Pat Mayer, Brooke Wolosewicz and Doris Spengle. St. Luke's continued with Fall craft fairs that donated money to worthy area organization. The craft fairs were organized by Linda Huntington and Phyllis Green. This helped many people get a start on their Christmas shopping.

After a conversation between Pastor Joann, the diocese and the congregation it was determined she could best serve at 3 churches instead of 4. Pastor Joann would be stepping back from her duties at St. Luke's. This left Deacon Deb Cavagnaro at the helm at St. Luke's. For Holy Eucharist there would be visits from supply priest Reverend Canon Brian Reed of Dubois on occasion. In 2019 a well received program on Death and Dying was coordinated by Deacon Deb Cavagnaro. The program was call "Making a Graceful Exit". The four session program included the church's perspective on death and dying along with a session of legal aspects that was presented by a lawyer. Nursing home and hospital expectations along with hospice and funeral care were also included during this program. This event was well received by the community that it was revisited in 2021 as a five session presentation. One more sessions was added by Deacon Deb and presented by Brian Green. Brian whose mother Phyllis Green passed away after battling cancer wanted to share with others what he learned about the process of getting final affairs in order titled "Pulling it all together financially.

In 2020 COVID hit limiting our "in church time". Deacon Deb held nightly Evening Compline prayer via Facebook live stream. A monthly newsletter was started to keep everyone involved in Episcopal news service happenings, news

from the diocese and St. Luke's news along with other surprises. Editor of the newsletter was Jayme Covert. St. Luke's had drive through community dinners to keep the community spirits up. When services were allowed, they were live streamed on Face Book every Sunday.

In December 2021 Deacon Deb, her husband Scott and loyal Cavalier Spaniel Finn relocated to Ohio to be near family. At present the diocese is working to find St. Luke's a new Vicar. Under the watchful eye of Mother Stacey Fussell, St. Luke's supply clergy team of Rev. Canon Brian Reid, Rev. Alan Coudriet, Pastor Joann Piatko and Pastor Matt Ryan have done an excellent job of offering Holy Eucharist to the congregation of St. Luke's. St. Luke's is also extremely grateful for our two Lay ministers Carlyle "Kiker" Conn and Anne Bennett.

In 2022 we had our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper and a great crew that helped with everything. In May we had a 1928 Morning Prayer service lay lead by Kiker Conn. It was such a beautiful service and many in the congregation dressed the part for the day. In August we had our annual church picnic and outdoor service. Religious life at St. Luke's is getting back to normal post Covid.



On September 17th, 2022 St. Luke's celebrates our 130th anniversary of the consecration of the church with a rededication service with Bishop Sean Rowe in attendance. St. Luke's Episcopal Church from its rich history has been a blessing for many and we pray that GOD will continue to bless and sustain us in our future.

THANK YOU

TO THE BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE'S

JAYME COVERT, BISHOP'S WARDEN
CARLYLE "KIKER" CONN, TREASURER
BONNIE HURRLE, SECRETARY
ANNE BENNETT
DIANA ANDERSON
GEORGANNE SAMPLE

GEORGE AND DEBBIE TUFTS FOR HOSTING THE DINNER

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU FOR THE RECORD KEEPERS OF THE PAST MRS. VERA ENGLISH HERON, ST. LUKE'S PARISH HISTORIAN MRS. SUSAN HAMLIN COLEMAN, MISS ELLEN ANDERSON, AND MISS GENEVIEVE MCKENNA, AND MISS MARY WILLSON.

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