

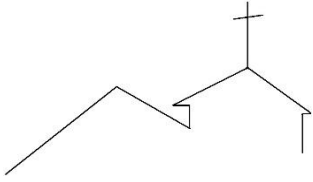
*The Annual Report of  
The Episcopal Church  
of  
St. Luke the Evangelist  
Atascadero, California*

*For the year 2024*



*Presented at the  
Annual Parish Meeting  
February 9, 2025*

The Annual Report of  
**The Episcopal Church of  
St. Luke the Evangelist**  
Atascadero, California



**Parish Staff**

The Rev. Linzi Stahlecker, Priest-in-Charge  
Sylvia Barker, Parish Administrator  
Laura DeLoye, Musician  
Matthew Lackie, Custodian

**Officers of the Vestry of the Whole Congregation 2024**

Senior Warden.....Mike Ferree  
Junior Warden.....Ann Holley  
Treasurer.....Leann Brooks  
Clerk.....Alice Baker-Taber

**Support to the Vestry**

Bookkeeper.....Kathy Hansen

**Diocesan Convention Delegates and Alternates 2024**

Delegates:                   Marnie Burkhardt  
                                      Judy Lewis

Alternates:                   Alice Baker-Taber

**ANNUAL MEETING OF  
THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST  
February 9, 2025, for the year 2024**

**AGENDA**

**SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
ATASCADERO, CALIFORNIA**

**HYBRID  
ANNUAL MEETING**

**FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE 9:00 AM SERVICE**

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# Special Rule of Order for St. Luke's Annual Meeting, February 9, 2025

The 2025 Annual Meeting of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Atascadero, Ca. shall be conducted virtually and in-person. Through use of an online service such as Zoom and use of prior email canvassing, where appropriate, the meeting will be conducted by the Senior Warden.

Prior to the annual meeting, the annual report will be available to all parishioners electronically or hard copy by request.

The attendance listing of members shall be taken at the beginning of the meeting. This list of members in attendance shall be deemed present at the meeting.

**7.** Resolved, that where the number of persons nominated for election to a position does not exceed the number to be elected and no priority need be established for the length of term to be served, the requirement for a written ballot shall be suspended and such election shall be by acclamation or other prescribed procedure.

B. Except when a written ballot is required, business may be conducted by unanimous consent.

C. If ranked voting is required, prior email ballots will be sent to parishioners and tallied prior to the annual meeting on February 9, 2025.

D. Each member is responsible for his or her audio and Internet connections; no action shall be invalidated on the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a member's individual connection prevented participation in the meeting.

F. The Meeting Presider may cause or direct the disconnection or muting of a member's connection if it is causing undue interference with the meeting.

G. Video of the Meeting Presider and any member currently recognized to speak or report shall be displayed throughout the meeting, as well as such other video displays as the Presider designates.

H. The annual meeting will be recorded. The audio portion of the meeting will be used by recording secretary in documenting the minutes of the meeting.

Presented and approved by the St. Luke's Vestry February 9, 2025.

# Minutes of the January 14, 2024 Annual Meeting for 2023

## St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Atascadero, CA Annual Parish Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Canon Martha Korienek; Sr. Warden, Holly Cooper; Jr. Warden, Ann Holley; Treasurer, Leann Brooks; Clerk, Alice Baker-Taber; Sam Agbo, Marnie Burkhardt, Janice Hickok, Betsy Blank, Jeanne Owen, Mary Gruber, Sally Ferree, Mike Ferree, Kathryn Showers, Esther Agbo, Judy Lewis, Brooks Measures. **On Zoom:** Janice Vercoutere, Chuck Burkhardt

**Opening Prayer:** Canon Martha Korienek, at 10:14 am

**Adoption of the Agenda: Motion to adopt the Agenda,** Betsy Blank; **Seconded,** Kathy Hansen; **Adopted.**

**Adoption of the Special Rule of Order: Motion to adopt the Special Rule of Order, which allows the hybrid meeting with Zoom, Motion by** Betsy Blank; **Seconded,** Kathy Hansen. **Adopted.**

**Motion to Adopt the January 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes, Motion,** Betsy Blank; **Seconded,** Kathy Hansen

**Candidates for Offices:** Bishop Lucinda Ashby will appoint the Sr. Warden. Michael Ferree accepted the nomination for Sr. Warden, and an email will be sent to Bishop Lucinda asking for her consent.

**Jr. Warden,** Ann Holley; **Treasurer,** Leann Brooks, **Vestry Clerk,** Alice Baker-Taber. **Delegates for 2024 Convention:** Marnie Burkhardt, Judy Lewis and **Alternate Delegate,** Alice Baker-Taber. **Motion to elect,** Marnie Burkhardt; **Seconded,** Kathy Hansen. **Passed.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Please see the Financials for the full report. Leann Brooks reported there is an additional \$6,000 in the Capital Fund. Pledges are down, but we have new members. Changes to the Budget were requested and a **Motion was made to split outreach with half going to outreach and half going to Capital for the new stairs. Motion,** Mike Ferree, **Seconded,** Kathy Hansen.

**A Motion was made to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion,** Leann Brooks, **Seconded,** Marnie Burkhardt. **Passed.**

A beautiful, hand-woven scarf and a uniquely designed trivet were given to Holly Cooper with thanks for her many years as St. Luke's Sr. Warden. The meeting then moved into a lively discussion with Canon Martha. She asked if there were any questions, and there were many.

**A few points of discussion with Canon Martha Korienek follow:**

We need a Deacon and it's not fair that St. James has a priest and a Deacon, and we have neither. Response: *St. Luke's doesn't need a Deacon as a Deacon's purpose is to go out into the world, and St. Luke's already does a fine job of doing that.*

We need a spiritual representative for such times when we need someone to talk to about our private innermost fears, or times in the hospital etc. Is it possible to do a contractual arrangement with a new priest? Response: *Some parishes will contract with a Supply Priest for those services, but they are paid for by the hour, as their time is invaluable.*

When a "closed congregation" was brought up, Canon Martha gave us a description of the various sized churches and mentioned a book, **Eat This Bread**, that we might read. The church descriptions are: **30 members** = a **Family** church (St. Luke's); **50-100 members** = **Pastoral** church (affiliation with Pastor); **100-300 members** = **Program** church (affiliation with groups); **300 plus members** = **Corporation** church.

Canon Martha told us she was sorry the search process is taking so long. Considering, St. Luke's is doing really well. She said she appreciated our patience and keeping our hopes and concerns known.

The meeting adjourned, with a closing prayer, by Canon Martha, at 11:13 am.

Respectfully submitted by Alice Baker-Taber, Clerk of the Vestry.

# Clergy Report

## Priest-in-Charge Report

Rev. Linzi Stahlecker

What a blessing it is to have spent the last third of 2024 with St. Luke's!

The focus of our first few months together has been discernment. As I'm only with you one Sunday a month, I decided we should have a weekly time we could count on to be together – all have been invited and encouraged to gather on Mondays at 11am for conversation and community, 10-15 of us have gathered each week for this valuable time.

Our discernment focused initially on the hopes of the congregation for a ¼ time priest (10-12hrs a week), as it is not possible to simply squeeze the role of a parish priest into so few weekly hours. This conversation quickly brought us to a realization that we first had to spend some time discerning as a parish, about the ways in which we are carrying our past into our present moment (both in healthy and unhealthy ways), who and what we understand St. Luke's to be today, and what are our collective hopes for the future.

We have talked a lot, and learned a lot along the way. We have had healing conversations, and shared stories and cherished memories of parish life in years gone by. We have begun to talk about the role of "Church" in this present time, in this place, and how we understand our particular way of being Christian, as Episcopalians, to contribute to the life of our town and the world.

As we worked on the budget for 2025, our discernment conversations lead us to decide we would live fully and abundantly, spending from our reserves to support the renewal of parish life (potential costs to include things like music support, visiting speakers, advertising, website design/branding, and production of marketing materials), understanding this decision will impact our future as we spend down the money we have in savings.

Liturgically, we have gathered on the third Tuesday of each month for a potluck lunch and Healing Prayer service. We enjoyed a wonderful Lessons & Carols service on Christmas Eve that was a tremendous community effort to organize and execute, with a magnificent group of musicians supporting the congregation's singing – we had a full house and the energy created was life-giving and hope-filled! As a parish we celebrated the life of Brian Ellis at St. Luke's (with military honors), and the life of Sam Agbo down at St. Barnabas, in Arroyo Grande.

With love and abundant blessings for the year ahead!

Linzi+

## Warden's Reports

### Senior Warden's Report

What an exciting year we have enjoyed together at St. Luke's. It has been the first time I ever had the opportunity to serve as a Sr. Warden. Thank you to so many that encouraged me to take on this roll, including my mentors, Rev. Karen Siegfriedt and Kathy Hansen. You gave me a really great Executive Board, that always amazed me how they worked together. Thank you to our Jr Warden, Ann Holley, Treasurer, Leann Brooks & Alice Baker-Taber, our Secretary and a major Board Support Member, Kathy Hansen. I must include in my Thank Yous, all of our wonderful members that do so much St. Luke's, we are a strong group of members praising God.

We started the year with three different and wonderful priest each serving one Sunday: The Rev. Karen Siegfriedt, The Rev. Caro Hall and The Rev. Richard Rollefson. On the fourth and fifth Sunday we had Morning Prayer. lead by members. Two Sundays a month we enjoyed having music provided by Laura DeLoye. Each of our Sunday services was made available to members that could not attend in person, by our wonderful and faithful Zoom team. Each Sunday evening, we had a service of Taizé music, again on Zoom. In addition to our Sunday services, we started two evening prayer services on Zoom.

St. Luke's members really figured out how to function without a full-time priest. Due to our financial status, we were advertising for a quarter time priest. I don't think anyone dreamed how we would find a quarter time priest. St. Benedict's Church, Los Osos, started looking for a three-quarter time priest. All of the sudden in May we got three applications for our part time priest. Our Executive Board served as the search committee. As we started the process we received two additional applicants. Both St. Benedicts and St. Lukes did not pursue the new applicants. Following our initial Zoom interviews the team selected two candidates to move forward with, even though we each had a clear choice. Both candidates were presented to the Vestry of the Whole. The Vestry of the whole agreed to move forward on the two. Your Executive board really had one candidate they were interested in, so they asked the bishop's office if we could move forward with only one and they agreed, if the Vestry of the Whole agreed. At a special meeting the Vestry agreed to move forward with one. In August the Bishop approved the hiring of Reverend Linzi Stahlecker for a one quarter time for a period of three years as Priest-in-Charge.

### Junior Warden's Report

This past year, we have completed the repair of the parking lot, the emergency staircase, the window shades and the installation of the heater in the office. We have had several successful workdays to clean and trim the grounds. The job of building and grounds has been reorganized to include Roger Taber as the team leader for the grounds and Joe McJimsey as the team leader for building maintenance in 2025.

This past year in administration, we have received an O.R.I. Number from the State of California so that we may proceed with fingerprinting. We have also reduced Payroll to once a month as this will reduce my job of calling in payroll to once a month. There will be a slight savings associated with this change.

Looking ahead to 2025, we will begin finger printing for our paid staff, corporate officers and Reverend Linzi. When that is complete, we will begin the safe church training for those individuals. Another stack of programs to implement will include disaster relief, update our safety, security and loss prevention plan, and one other for the employees on appropriate ethical and sexual behavior in the workplace. We will take a look at our employee files and make sure they are complete and up to date.

Ann Holley, Junior Warden



# Treasurer's Report

Annual Financial Report 2024

Account Balances	
General Operating Funds	37320
Liturgical Support Funds	15988
Restricted Non-Operating Funds	19502
Operating Reserve Funds	19479
Trust & Endowment	20869
Unrestricted Bequest	59365
Balance	172523

Our 2024 budget anticipated an operating loss of \$18,300 and we ended the year with only a \$2,200 income deficit. \$37,320 remains in our General Operating accounts. The 2025 draft operating budget shows a \$23,300 deficit which will be covered by current operating funds in bank however, in 2026 we will need to start using long term savings if income doesn't increase. Our large amount of operating funds currently are the result of 5 years without a priest and 2 forgiven covid payroll loans.

Our current capital funds are \$13,865. We applied for a \$10,000 building grant from the Diocese and were awarded \$5,000 which will be added to our capital funds when received. \$25,500 has been paid towards the new stairs and we have an invoice in hand for an additional \$23,925 due in February. Permits and plans cost \$2,060 and we received an in-kind donation of approximately \$200. There will be an additional \$1,000 for painting the new and will paint the old Sunday School room ourselves.

Fundraising proceeds will be split between our capital fund and outreach. This ensures the goal we stated in 2019 to increase our fundraising tithe every year by 10% and end fundraising for operating expenses.

Twenty-two 2025 pledges total \$45,360. Considering 2024 actual pledge income was 11% over the \$44,300 pledged by 18 members, we have budgeted \$50,350 for this year.

Submitted by Leann Brooks, Treasurer

**St Luke's Episcopal Church Operating Funds  
2024 Actual Expense 2025 Budget**

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	U	V	W	
1									2024				2025					
2									Actual	Budget		Notes		Budget		Notes		
3								<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>										
4								Income										
5								Operating Revenues					18 pledges				22 pledges	
6								03 - Regular Support	11%	over pledge			44300				45360	
7								Pledge and Regular giving	55780	49800				50350			11% over pledge	
8								Plate	3524	1800				10080			Dec plate x 12	
9								Donor Restricted Operating										
10								Facility	0	0								
11								Worship & Liturgy	350	0		fairlinens						
12								<b>Total Donor Restricted Operating</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>0</b>								
13								Other Unrestricted Gifts										
14								Christmas	1165	200				1000				
15								Easter	100	200				1000				
16								Other Organization Donation	2009	1800				1620				
17								Unrestricted Gifts	750	0		visitor						
18								<b>Total Other Unrestricted Gifts</b>	<b>4024</b>	<b>2200</b>				<b>3620</b>				
19								<b>Total 03 - Regular Support</b>	<b>63678</b>	<b>53800</b>				<b>64050</b>				
20								04 - Investments used for Operations	0	0								
21								05 - Other Operating Income										
22								Fundraising										
23								Bazaar Fundraiser	6202	0				}			moved to non-op	
24							Plant Sale Fundraiser	1289	2000									Outreach and cap
25							Rummage Sale Fundraiser	796	1000									
27								<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>8267</b>	<b>3000</b>								
28								<b>Total 05 - Other Operating Income</b>	<b>8267</b>	<b>3000</b>								
29								06 - Bequest used for Operations	0	0								
30								07 - Diocesan Assistance for Oper	0	0								
31								<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>71945</b>	<b>56800</b>				<b>64050</b>				
32								<b>Total Income</b>	<b>71945</b>	<b>56800</b>				<b>64050</b>				
33								Expense										
34								Operating Expense										
35								12 - Fair Share	6350	5460				5124			8%	
36								13 - Outreach from Operating Budget	1200	1200							not this year	
37								14 - All Other Operating Exp										
38								Administrative										
39								Advertising	0	0							?	
40								Fees	142	0				30				
41								Conferences & Conventions	30	0							?	
42								Copier Expense	2515	2280				2400				
43								Office Supplies	384	300				400				
44								Parish Financial Review	0	350		none per Bishop		350				
45								Publications	86	60				90				
46								Telephone & Internet	2609	2400				2800				
47								<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>5767</b>	<b>5390</b>				<b>6070</b>				

**St Luke's Episcopal Church Operating Funds  
2024 Actual Expense 2025 Budget**

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	U	V	W
1									2024				2025				
2									Actual	Budget	Notes		Budget	Notes			
48								Facility									
49								Building Maintenance	2562	6600	parking lot		600	AC & fire service			
50								Insurance	7610	7028			7992				
51								Landscape Maintenance	4805	150			300				
52								Property Tax	1041	785			1050				
53								Technology	358	400			396	zoom, website etc			
54								Utilities	4182	3600			4200				
55								<b>Total Facility</b>	<b>20558</b>	<b>18563</b>			<b>14538</b>				
56								Program									
57								Christian Formation	0	1600				??			
58								Stewardship	0	0				??			
59								Worship Service Expense									
60								Altar Supplies and Flowers	0	500			600				
61								Music	508	240			840	piano \$200			
62								Supply Clergy Compensation	10281	10800			10000				
63								<b>Total Worship Service Expense</b>	<b>10789</b>	<b>11540</b>			<b>11440</b>				
64								<b>Total Program</b>	<b>10789</b>	<b>13140</b>			<b>11440</b>				
65								Personnel Expenses									
66								Worker's Comp	310	396			480				
67								Staff									
68								Custodial Wages	2958	2520			3192	\$27/ hour			
69								Musician Wages	4378	4800			4560	\$76/hour			
70								Office Administrator Wages	9663	9396			10404	\$20/hour			
71								Staff PR Processing	442	497			400				
72								Staff PR Taxes (SS & Medicare)	1287	1261			1389	7.65%			
73								<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>18728</b>	<b>18474</b>			<b>19945</b>				
74								Clergy									
75								Clergy Search	1745	1200							
76								Clergy Salary	2872	3212			6222				
77								Clergy Housing Allowance	4517	5500			16500	dio min \$90,887			
78								Clergy Payroll Taxes	145	560			1738	7.65%			
79								Clergy Payroll Processing	24	40			100				
80								Clergy Medical	0	0							
81								Clegy Dental	0	0							
82								Clergy Retirement	998	1560			4090	18%			
83								Clergy Auto Expense	115	200			600				
84								Clergy Continuing Education	37	200			500				
85								<b>Total Clergy</b>	<b>10452</b>	<b>12472</b>			<b>29750</b>				
86								<b>Total Personnel Expenses</b>	<b>29490</b>	<b>31342</b>			<b>50175</b>				
87								<b>Total 14 - All Other Operating Exp</b>	<b>66604</b>	<b>68435</b>			<b>82223</b>				
88								<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>74154</b>	<b>75095</b>			<b>87347</b>				
89								<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>74154</b>	<b>75095</b>			<b>87347</b>				
90								<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>(2209)</b>	<b>(18295)</b>			<b>(23298)</b>	covered by MM op			
91								<b>Net Income</b>	<b>(2209)</b>	<b>(18295)</b>			<b>(23298)</b>				

# Commissions and Ministries Reports as Filed

## Worship Report

In this last year we have been blessed with the presence of three excellent supply priests for three Sundays of the month, Rev. Karen Siegfriedt, Rev. Caro Hall and Rev. Richard Rollefson. On the extra Sunday each month through August we held Morning Prayer and welcomed speakers from many different non-profits telling us about their ministries in the community and how we can support them. We heard from: Get on the Bus, Alf, Central Coast Hospice, Family Support Center/Transitional Food and Shelter, SLO 4 Home as well as welcoming Sr. Greta Ronningen from the Community of Divine Love.

In September, finally we greeted our new one quarter time Priest-in-Charge, Rev. Linzi Stahlecker. Since September, Rev. Linzi has brought new enthusiasm and intention for our worship. She and Laura created a beautifully energizing Christmas Eve Service. She has officiated over a couple of moving memorial services as well as leading us in worship on each 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. She is the perfect addition to our church family, and we look forward to being challenged and blessed by her leadership in the coming year.

Music at St. Luke's is provided on two and sometimes three Sundays per month by Laura DeLoye. Rev. Rollefson also brings us music, leading us in song while playing his guitar. On Sundays when there is no musician, we have learned to appreciate the stillness. We have come to truly appreciate the varying voices and gifts of the individuals who share their time and wisdom with us. This variety of experience within the framework of the Episcopal worship service is a joy and a gift to many of us and one of the strengths of our community life.

Challenges this year have included the diminished size of the Altar Guild, and the death of our friend, Sam, one of only three members of the tech team that oversees the sound and video for the services and its Zoom viewers. We would benefit from a few more members of the tech team.

We do now have three well-trained and reliable leaders for Morning Prayer (Ann Holley, Judy Lewis and Leann Brooks) and three eucharistic ministers (Judy Lewis, Kathy Hansen and Mary Gruber. Stephanie Sherman also serves a EM when Rev. Karen is presiding). It would be good to have a few more EM's trained. Brooks Measures has created the monthly Liturgy schedules which are very useful to help people know when they are scheduled to do what. Communion has been taken to a few people this year by a Eucharistic minister. The Communion bags have also been delivered to those who have asked for them on the first Sundays of the month, although the number of people asking for them is very low. In the coming year, we will be losing Rev. Caro to a new calling at St. Peters so we will be reverting to our Morning Prayer/Ministries Sunday format for the third Sundays of the month. There are very few supply priests available in this Deanery, but we will continue to seek out possible presiders for the times when our regular priests are not available.

In future worship meetings we will be evaluating the format and construction of the liturgy schedules and the creation of the zoom meetings. We will also be talking about the various details of communion such as the communion wine and the continued use of the tiny cups or a return to the common cup.

We hope over the year to recruit some new altar guild and tech team members. We are hoping to purchase a new fair linen for the altar before Easter. We have talked about having a musician for the silent services during the month but that is controlled by the amount of money available in the budget and also the availability of musicians.

The Worship services at St. Luke's are created by many people working together to open a space and time where the Spirit may speak to each of us. We are thankful for the loving industry that every one of us has brought to our worship this year and hope that it will continue to be a blessing to the people and a gift to God.

## Caring Parish Ministries Report

Members on the Caring Parish Ministry Committee are Rev Linzi Stahlecker, Mary Gruber, Alice Baker-Taber, Barbara Babka, Jan Hickok, and Sally Ferree (however, due to a medical issue Judy Lewis is currently filling in for Sally Ferree.)

Our ministry meets monthly on the second Mon of the month at noon at St. Luke's. All are welcome to attend. The purpose of our ministry is to add connection to our church community. The ministry is deeply grateful for the leadership of Rev Linzi Stahlecker.

We contact parishioners monthly and friends quarterly (every 3 months) to further a sense of belonging. Rev. Linzi has joined us since October which has been a blessing. We now have someone that can make home and hospital visits if needed. She has already made visits to many people. We encourage those that are grieving or in need of emotional support-with prayer, visits and cards. In addition to offering aide to parishioners we communicate what is going on in the church and answer questions. We have also been instrumental in gathering contact information for the new directory. Our goal for this year is to continue to be aware of the needs of the parish. We hope we can get some classes started to meet these needs.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Gruber and Barbara Babka

## Outreach Report

Outreach at St. Luke's takes many different forms and involves most of the congregation. As we have been doing since the formation of ECHO, we provide the evening dinner for the first Monday of the month. We typically feed 80 – 100 people which adds up to at minimum 960 meals this year. Our ECHO cooks are unfailingly enthusiastic in volunteering to send food. Together they produced around 60 main dishes, 12 large salads and as many pans of veggies and almost 2000 cookies. In addition, Mary Gruber and other members have taken regular loads of donated clothing and bedding to the shelter.

This year we welcomed to our worship 6 local non-profits to speak about their ministries and how we can be of help to them: Get on the Bus, Central Coast Hospice, Family Support Network/Transitional Food and Shelter, ALF, Community of Divine Love and SLO4Home and we viewed a slide presentation on the Mennonite comforter distribution system to which we contribute. We had a drive for water for the Get on the Bus event and a diaper drive for Family Support Network. In November, we had a Mountain of Food drive for ALF bringing in

around 160 pounds of groceries. Recently we gathered supplies for the LA Fire victims. At Christmas we staffed the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Bell Ringing for two days.

As part of our budgeted giving we sent \$1200 to Sr. Greta's prison ministry, Community of Divine Love. From our Vestry Designated Outreach tithe, we were able to send \$2,074 to both ALF and the Center for Family Strengthening and an additional \$270 to Alf as a result of the Summer Farmer's Market. All of that money is due entirely to the tireless work on the Plant and Bake Sale, the Parking Lot Sale and the Christmas Bazaar and the additional work on raising veggies for the Farmer's Market. Thank you to everyone who works so hard to bring these things about.

We had only 2 quilt days this year but we were able to bring quilts to the Mennonites to be distributed to disaster and famine areas throughout the world. Enthusiasm continues to be high for this activity although the last few years have been a bit irregular. This year we hope to be back to 3-4 quilt days in the year. Our next quilt day is planned for May.

In the coming year, due to a tight budget we will not be able to have a regular budgeted outreach focus but we do plan to continue the Vestry Designated Outreach Tithe. One half of the fundraiser profits will go into the Capital Account to finish off the cost of the Stairs and ¼ each of the fundraiser profits will go to Episcopal Relief and Development and to ALF our local food pantry.

We are aware that in the coming months there may be special needs among the Hispanic population of our area. How best we can legally support and help our neighbors in a time of duress will be one focus in the coming year. What other tasks the Lord will bring to us remain to be seen. As always, you are invited to be part of the outreach committee and its work. You are invited to any meeting. Your ideas and insights are welcome and needed. You are invited to help with food collections, sewing, cooking, bell ringing, etc. The Outreach of St. Luke's is your outreach. It has the energy and the effect you choose to give to it. Thank you for everything you have done this year! - Kathy Hansen.

## Daughters of the King

This has been a fruitful year for our small chapter. Judy Lewis joined our chapter after much discernment and 12 weeks of classes given by Buffy Price and myself.

We met monthly on zoom with St. James Chapter to discuss a spiritual question submitted by our members. These questions have opened our minds as to how to meet our vows of prayer, service, and evangelism. We have met twice in person with the St. James chapter and enjoyed a meal and fellowship. Both chapters were present for Judy's service of admission to Daughters of the King. She was presented by Rev. Karen Siegfriedt. We continue to maintain the bidding book and prayer chain and pray for them daily. Our members participate in evening prayer regularly. Prayers are sent to our chapter and those that request a list. Our members serve the church using their spiritual gifts: Caring Parish Ministry, bidding book prayers, Eucharistic Ministry, Morning and Evening Prayers, serving on the Executive Committee. Our goal for 2025: Make DOK more visible at St. Luke's in hopes that someone will be called to join this wonderful group.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Gruber

## Plant and Bake Sale

Our 7 or 8 mighty gardeners grew another large assortment of vegetables, fruit trees and decorative plants this year and netted \$1,269. Bakers added their cakes, cookies and pies to the sale in honor of our dear Florrie who started adding baked goods along with the plants. I think this is our 8th year running this fundraiser and there was a good turnout from the community to buy plants and baked goodies.

## Christmas Bazaar

With the help of a lot of people and the addition of a raffle, we had a wonderful and successful Bazaar. The jams, jellies and baked goods were once again about 50% of our proceeds. The crafters created many beautiful and useful items. We also were gifted with items from past St Luke's members and friends of St. Lukes. We made somewhere a bit over \$6,000. Thank you to all who helped to make this bazaar happen and successful. Jan Hickok & Betsy Blank

## Farmer's Market

Even though some of us had crop failures, we were able to raise \$270 and provide healthy home-grown fruits and vegetables. I think Ann Holly gets the crown this year for super gardener as her garden just kept giving and giving.

## Yard Sale

Jeanne Owen once again ably led the yard sale, and the income was \$797. We had a lot of community involvement and people got great deals. Our plan for this year is to combine the Plant, bake and yard sales since they were only about a month apart. Half the proceeds will be added to our capital funds to help pay the rest of the stairs and the other half will support outreach to Episcopal Relief and Development and Atascadero Loaves and Fishes building fund since they've outgrown their current location.