

# ST. LUKE'S 2023 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING



## St. Luke's Church

Anglican (Episcopal)

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**The Parish Church of St. Luke, Blue Ridge, Georgia**

*The Parish Church of the Mountains*

**2022 ANNUAL PARISH REPORT**

**JANUARY 22, 2023**

*They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint, teach me Lord, teach me Lord to wait*

Opening Prayer:

The Rev. Victor Morgan

Approval of Minutes of the  
2021 Annual Meeting (Attached):

Current Vestry Members: Sr. Warden, Al Cash; Jr. Warden, Jim Noblett; William “Bill” Trotter; Neil McDonald; Lauren Burgreen; Bob Bradley; Jennifer Higdon; D.J. Fulton.

Election of Senior Warden:	Pat Dearing
Election of Junior Warden:	Jim Noblett
Election of Vestry Members (4)	Todd Lyons; Jodi Beauregard Jennifer Higdon, Re-Election Pat Dearing, Sr. Warden

Review Reports of 2022 Parish Group Activities:

Review 2023 Budget (Attached):

Rector’s Remarks:

The Rev. Victor H. Morgan

Closing Prayer:

The Rev. Victor H. Morgan

Adjournment

***Go in peace to love and serve the Lord***

**RECTOR'S REPORT:  
REV. VICTOR H. MORGAN**

June 2022 marked the 35th anniversary of St. Luke's Church. It has been my joy and privilege to serve as your rector during these years. I continue to give thanks that the Lord has called me to labor in this parish. Each year has brought new blessings and opportunities; 2022 has been no exception. As the year began, a major goal was to continue to perfect our broadcasting capabilities. With a significant contribution from a donor combined with the technical expertise of Jim Noblett, that goal has been met. As of Jan. 4, 2023, St. Luke's has 72 subscribers to its YouTube channel and 393 Facebook followers. On average, around 50 people view some of our Sunday videos. Some of these support us financially. Before I pass on from this subject, I want to thank Mr. Noblett for his contribution to the success of this endeavor. Since the beginning of the Covid pandemic at the beginning of 2020, he has been God's man of the hour. I would also like to thank those who volunteer to run the video booth in the back of the church each Sunday: Priscilla McDonald, Jennifer Higdon and Bob Bradley. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please speak to me or Mr. Noblett.

One challenge which presented itself in 2022 was the decline in health and subsequent death of St. Luke's organist Eileen Avery Kerr. Mrs. Kerr was a part of the music ministry of this church for over 30 years and will forever be remembered for her high expectations for members of the St. Luke's choir (her 'victims', as they were sometimes called). Preparations are currently underway for a marble memorial plaque to be placed on the wall behind the organ console. May she rest in peace and rise in glory!

On a positive note, St. Luke's is blessed to have Diana Burden serving as Parish Musician. Mrs. Burden and her mother Marcia Semenak came to us from the Lutheran church during the Covid pandemic, and we are truly blessed by their faithful presence. St. Luke's has also been fortunate to secure the services of Steven Cagle, a world-class organist. We look forward to Mr. Cagle playing for one or more services a month in 2023. I would be remiss if I did not recognize those who donned choir robes and provided music for the late-night Christmas Eve service. These included: Frank Rule, Marcia Semenak, Brooke McHan, Andy Lebkuecher, Teresa Wankel, Pat Dearing, Deacon W.A. "Tony" McConnell and the Rev. Ronald O. Wikander. I invite and encourage anyone who would like to be a part of the music ministry of St. Luke's to speak to Mrs. Burden.

Since 2018, Al Cash has served as Senior Warden. He took over at a turbulent time and has led with a steady hand. His term is expiring, and I know you join me in thanking him for his service. I am happy to announce that Pat Dearing has accepted my invitation to succeed Dr. Cash. Brought

up in a clergyman's household in Florida and having served previous terms on the Vestry, Mr. Dearing brings great wisdom and experience to this office.

Where do we want to go in 2023? Well, to be sure God's way. We live in a day when three institutions which bind society together and promote human flourishing -- government, school, and church -- are under attack and seem to be coming apart. A dark cloud has descended over the face of Western Civilization. At such a time as this, St. Luke's calling, as I see it, is to stand as a beacon of light. Here, the ancient faith is preserved and proclaimed. Here, beauty and truth are esteemed and celebrated. Here, Sunday by Sunday, Christ is announced; hope renewed; soldiers equipped and sent out. A new world, but the same St. Luke's! Our task is not just to hunker down in our own little cocoon of safety and peace, but to embody all that is lovely and true -- the Gospel itself -- and to take it out wherever people are hurting and in need. Let's look for new ways to do that in 2023.

As I close, I wish to express my gratitude to all who make it possible for light to go forth from this place. Special thanks to Teresa Wankel for her leadership with the Women of St. Luke's; Neil McDonald who does a superb job in directing the St. Luke's Men's Group, John Johnson who keeps our physical plant and grounds neat and appealing; to members of the Altar Guild who do a vital work, most of which is out of sight; for Deacon McConnell, Verger Noblett and those who serve as servers and readers, including our young leaders: Finn and Elin Thoreson and 'Deacon' Reed Ferrell. Finally, special thanks to St. Luke's unflappable and always cheerful administrative assistant and my boss, Kathryn Noblett. Her efficiency makes my ministry possible and pleasurable.

**DEACON'S REPORT:  
TONY MCCONNELL**

**2023 Annual Parish Meeting Report**

Peace and Blessings to You All...

2022 was certainly a busy and active year, wasn't it! And for far too many of us, a difficult year, as well. But through it all, St. Luke's has remained vibrant and vital.

On a personal note, 2022 has been a year of both challenges, and blessings, and I remain so very thankful to be a small part of this little corner of Our Lord's earthly kingdom.

As I'm sure most of you are aware, Jim Noblett, was installed as a Verger back in October of 2022 and has proven to be a terrific asset to our St. Luke's liturgical team. Even though Jim certainly has a full plate with his duties as Junior Warden, his acceptance of the additional



responsibilities of a Verger has given me the latitude to devote more attention to the clerical side of my duties and has been, and will continue to be, a tremendous help to our mission.

I would also ask each of you to give prayerful consideration to what you may be able to do to help the Rector, Clergy, Vestry and various committees accomplish all the necessary tasks required to keep St. Luke's moving forward. None of us can do everything, but each of us can do something. Please help in whatever direction the Lord leads you. Thank you all for your love and support in my journey of faith. In His service, and yours,

**Deacon Tony McConnell**

**VERGER'S REPORT:  
JIM NOBLETT**

**Greetings from the Verger**

Greetings and the Lord's Blessings to all members of St. Luke's. This is a very much shortened Verger's report for 2022.

Earlier in 2022, I felt called to find a way to serve the Lord and St. Luke's. I talked to Deacon Tony about my desires and after much discussion and prayer, I decided that becoming a Verger was what I should pursue. With much help from Victor and Tony, I successfully completed the Verger course of training. In October I was installed by Bishop Greaves as a Verger for St. Luke's. I have since been in very much a learning process as I take on the Verger's ministry. It has been a fun and enjoyable experience.

I would like to end my report by letting you know that if you feel called to become a more active participant in the worship at St. Luke's, we are always looking for Lay Readers and Acolytes. This is a fun and easy way to serve the Lord, and top-notch training will be provided. Please see Tony, Victor or me if you would like to find out more.

**In His Service;  
Jim Noblett**

**SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT:  
DR. AL CASH**

**Calendar Year 2022**

- 2022 was an outstanding year for St. Luke's. Our accomplishments as a Church and as a member of the community are many – thanks to the dedication and loyalty of each and every member of our Parish Church of the Mountains.
- Our Strategic Plan requires an annual review and update. The Vestry did so and has subsequently updated the Plan. The updated plan now appears on our website.
- Our website remains dynamic – with frequent updates of photos, columns, sermons, events and much more. We encourage you to visit the site frequently for those updates, as well as special announcements and the Church activities calendar. As a reminder, the Members' page password is John316
- Our annual church events were quite successful – they include:
  - The WSL had a super busy – and quite successful year with their yard Sale, Christmas bazaar, and several other projects. Many thanks to Theresa Wankel and her outstanding ladies for their amazing work.
  - The SLMG continues their parishioner assistance projects in a great year of outreach. They had a tremendously successful “Things that Guys Like” garage sale, organized and hosted by Neil McDonald. Many thanks to you, Sir, and to your great group of men.
  - We had a wonderful string of excellent Teaching Tuesday's classes, and anticipate a great new curriculum scheduled for this year. All with thanks to the Education Committee and all our instructors.
- In Vestry changes, Jr. Warden Jim Noblett's term expires in January 2023. Jim has offered to stay in the position of Jr. Warden, pending other nominations from the congregation at large.
- There will be 2 openings on the Vestry this year.
  - The Senior Warden's (Al Cash) term will expire in January 2023 and has reached the 3-year limitation on terms of service. Per the Canon, the Rector appoints the new Senior Warden. We are extremely happy with Father Morgan's appointment of Pat Dearing as the new Senior Warden.
  - The Junior Warden's (Jim Noblett) term will also expire in January 2023. The protocol for filling that position is a recommendation from the Vestry with further nominations (if any) followed by a vote from the congregation.

- Positions at-large are filled by the Vestry, therefore, any additional openings that occur through the year will be handled within the Vestry guidelines.
- We acknowledge and salute our secretary this past year – the wonderfully pleasant and capable Kathryn Noblett. Thank you, Kathryn, for all the great work you do.
- As 2023 unfolds there will be much work and continued planning in furtherance of our Lord’s work, and specifically for St. Luke’s. Let us remember these words from Jeremiah – Chapter 29, Verse 11;  
*“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”*

**JUNIOR WARDEN’S REPORT:  
JIM NOBLETT**

Report for 2022

In 2022 God blessed St. Luke’s church with another great year. Church services are now back to normal, and we are continuing online services as well. We did have quite a few activities and projects outside of our normal day-to-day operations. They are as follows:

- We hired a dedicated housekeeper (Betty Gray) for the church and parish house. She has and continues to do a wonderful job.
- Gordon Bailey and I rewired the driveway lights with a new transformer wired to the time clock that automates the lights operation. Many thanks to Gordon for his expert assistance in this and all the other projects he has been involved in.
- The suspended ceilings in the Narthex bathrooms were replaced.
- The annual Spring cleanup was completed by the SLMG. We had our Parish Easter Egg hunt for the first time in 2 years, was well attended. The SLMG and Kiwanis were instrumental in preparing the grounds and eggs for the hunt.
- The parish house roof was in bad shape, so we had the roof replaced this year.
- The ongoing project to modernize our sound system continued as we moved the organ woofer from the sound booth at the back of the church to the closet next to the sound booth. Thanks to Neil McDonald for modifying the door with acoustic cloth to allow the sound to be heard throughout the whole church.
- The pavilion was dedicated to Richard Misinco, which necessitated the pavilion being deep cleaned as well as new cabinets being installed under the counters.
- We also repurposed the old church sign as a façade sign for the pavilion.
- The parish house is the site of many remodeling activities. The WSL and SLMG have agreed to remodel the interior of the parish house, particularly

the kitchen and bathroom. We want the parish house to reflect a professional and businesslike image. The first activity completed was the replacement of the old electrical fuse panel with a new and updated breaker panel. The guest bathroom has been demolished and we are in the process of rebuilding it to be followed by the kitchen.

- At the end of the year, one of the furnaces that serve the Nave was discovered to have a defective heat exchanger, and it was replaced in December.

I wish to again thank the WSL and SLMG for their help and support in 2022. With their help and God's blessings we will have a wonderful 2023.

**In His Service  
Jim Noblett**

**WOMEN OF ST. LUKE'S REPORT (WSL):  
TERESA WANKEL**

**Annual Report for 2022**

*"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16 New King James Version (NKJV)*

The Women of St Luke's are very active in the life here at St Luke's Church and in the extended community. We serve on the Altar Guild and as ushers, Acolytes, Lay Readers, and Vestry members. We are members of Fellowship and Outreach, Education and Memorial Garden committees. Several of our group also volunteer at the local Food Pantry and are involved at Feed Fannin and with Toys for Tots.

This year we planned and participated in fund raising events including our annual Yard Sale and our annual Christmas Bazaar. Both were remarkable successes. Proceeds from these events fund our outreach programs. For 2022 these included Fannin County Family Connection, Feed Fannin, Good Samaritan Fund, Her Hope Pregnancy Center in Blue Ridge, Immanuel Church, Safe Choice Pregnancy Center in Ellijay, Snack-in-a-Backpack, Sunny D Children's Theater Camp and the Women's Enrichment Center in Blairsville. Proceeds from these events are also set aside in our Benevolence Fund which is used to assist St Luke's parishioners and the extended community as needs arise.

In addition to the above, members of the WSL participated in the Walk for Life, a fund raiser for Her Hope Pregnancy Center in Blue Ridge. The total raised by St Luke's was \$1730.00. In June, we hosted the ladies of North Court apartments at a Spring Tea. Our annual Wine and Cheese/Toys for Tots social in October garnered a box full of toys as well as financial donations for Toys for Tots. In early December, members of the WSL gathered at the home of Diane Wikander for the WSL Ladies Christmas luncheon. We finished the month with



a coffee for the residents of the North Court apartments where we distributed gift bags.

In November of this year, we applied to form a chapter of the Daughters of the Holy Cross. This order of women is committed to making disciples and serving Jesus through their Rule of Life: prayer, service, study and evangelism. Please contact Judy Brooten for more information.

With a busy end of year calendar, we always look forward to winter and our winter Bible study. This provides a respite from the busyness of the holiday season and is a wonderful way to begin the new year. Last year we had a wonderful study on Prayer. Our thanks to Judy Brooten, Jodi Beauregard, and Teresa Wankel for facilitating the sessions. This year's Bible study will be on the book of Acts. We invite all women to join this active and vibrant group in our mission to serve Christ, our Church, and our community.

The WSL meets every other month on the second Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Yellow Room and via Zoom.

**Thanks be to God for His continuing blessings.**

**Respectfully submitted by Teresa Wankel, President , WSL**

**ALTAR GUILD REPORT:  
TERESA WANKEL**

**St Luke's Altar Guild**

The Altar Guild is a lay ministry to serve God in His house by preparing the Sanctuary for worship, maintaining, and caring for the sacred vessels and altar linens and serving the clergy and parish. The Rector, Victor Morgan, is the head of the St Luke's Altar Guild, which functions under his guidance and direction. Altar Guild members should be congregants confirmed in the Anglican Church and should view their service as a sacred duty.

Members of the St Luke's Altar Guild are:

Jean Allen  
Anna Bradley  
Priscilla Cashman  
Judy Evans  
Jennifer Higdon  
Teresa Wankel  
Patsy Williams  
Meredith Yacavone

A special thank you to Anna Bradley, Priscilla Cashman and Jennifer Higdon for supplying and arranging greenery for the altar during Lent and Advent. We gladly welcome anyone who would like to serve in this ministry. If you are interested in becoming a part of the Altar Guild, please contact anyone of the members listed above.

**Respectfully submitted by Teresa Wankel**

## **ST. LUKE'S MEN'S GROUP 2022 ANNUAL REPORT: NEIL MCDONALD**

The St. Luke's Men's Group officers this year are Chairman/Coordinator Neil McDonald, Secretary Deacon Tony McConnell, and Treasurer Bob Bradley. All men who attend St. Luke's services are considered as members and are cordially invited to attend our meetings and all other activities. There are no dues and, no specific skills are required to participate—just join us. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month—(See schedule on St. Luke's website calendar).

As a men's fellowship group, we also assist parishioners or others in the community who lack resources to perform certain tasks for themselves. As a form of stewardship, SLMG also performs some maintenance and repairs for our church that would otherwise require payment to vendors.

### **This summarizes many SLMG activities for this year:**

April 2: Organized our annual churchyard Spring cleanup

April 16: Organized the community Easter egg hunt with Blue Ridge Kiwanis Club.

June 1 – 4: Coordinated a fellowship retreat, with Holy Cross Men's Group, Hala's Place, Ten Mile, Tn.

July 17: Dedicated the *Richard Misinco Pavilion* and granite memorial marker purchased by SLMG.

August 16: SLMG fellowship outing at Savoy Museum in Cartersville, Ga.

September 8-10: Participated with the WSL in St. Luke's annual yard sale fundraiser

September 25: Sponsored St. Luke's annual church picnic

December: Assisted with our WSL Annual Christmas Bazaar

### **Donations:**

\$500.00 to defray the cost of the veteran's transport van insurance for DAV

\$300.00 for church organist Eileen Kerr's car repairs.

\$500 to ARDF for tornado and hurricane disaster victim relief

Other, miscellaneous

### **Community Involvement:**

Snack-in-a-Backpack summer feeding program

Monthly delivery of Family Connection food boxes serving thirty residents at North Court Apartments

Cut/split/stacked firewood for Family Connection's clients

### **Assisted parishioners:**

March 4: constructed a handicapped access ramp for the Wikander family

Removed oak tree blocking Eileen Kerr's driveway access

Removed large oak tree for Sally Hess

Yard clean-up and debris hauling for the Dearing family

Assisted Eileen Kerr with VAC issues, auto repairs and installed a window AC unit

### **Assistance to St. Luke's Jr. Warden:**

Relocated organ speaker into a closet, installed acoustic sound cloth;

Built an audio/video monitoring station countertop & drawer;

Remounted AED and first aid equipment  
Repaired storm damage to St. Luke's Church Sign  
Renewed pavilion countertop, stained storage doors, and mounted Anglican crest on the gable  
Parish House Renovations, our joint project with WSL has begun

Our Lord continues to bless us with many opportunities to serve Him and our fellow man by sharing our God given gifts of time and talent.

**Submitted by Neil McDonald**

**St. Luke's Safety/Security Committee  
2022 Annual Report  
NEIL MCDONALD**

Our Safety/Security Committee members are Sr. Warden Al Cash, Junior Warden Jim Noblett, Rev. Ron Wikander, Deacon Tony McConnell, Roseanne Johnston, Pat Dearing, Bob Bradley, and Chairman, Neil McDonald.

Details about the *Safety/Security Committee's* role and purpose as described in our *Strategic Plan* which is accessible through the church website member section--[stlukesblueridge.org](http://stlukesblueridge.org).

A significant accomplishment this year was to review our general liability and worker's compensation insurance coverage through *Church Mutual Insurance Company*. We recommended that our Vestry seek comparable coverage options.

Subsequently, effective in June, we secured improved coverage options and reduced premium costs through the local Kevin Panter Insurance Agency with *Southern Mutual Church Insurance Company*.

Our fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment are in compliance. Roseanne Johnston who monitors our emergency first aid equipment was notified about a manufacturer's recall for one of our AED's. We have confirmed that both of our AED's are in compliance.

This year we improved the audio/videotaping and security monitoring station (rear of the sanctuary) and obtained two swivel chairs for operator comfort. We also mounted one AED and a first aid box there. A second AED and first aid kit are located downstairs in Thomason Hall.

We recognized the need to improve the zooming capability of an exterior security camera, and to install another one inside the Narthex. This equipment has Vestry approval and has been ordered through ETC Security. Installation is scheduled in January 2023. We have also ordered new permanent security signs which will be mounted at entrance doors as replacements for the old ones.

Our committee is concerned for the need to diligently protect us. However, as a reminder to all of us the responsibility for personal safety and security at St. Luke's belongs to all of us. Should you become aware of anything of concern, please let us know as soon as possible.

In closing, we acknowledge throughout 2022 our Lord has protected and blessed us once again with a safe and secure place of worship here at St. Luke's. Thanks be to God!

**Submitted by Neil McDonald**

**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT:  
DR. AL CASH  
Calendar Year 2022**

The Communications Committee provides an on-going stream of publications and contacts with parish members and the community. Its purpose is to assist the Rector in sharing God's word at every level available.

This past year the committee continues to refine the church's website to provide a more dynamic tool for the parishioners and for the community as a whole. Feedback continues to be positive, with frequent offerings of photographs and articles. "This Sunday" letters, today's "sermon", the current pew sheets, and Father Morgan's columns uploaded to our website and available to print.

As a reminder, there is a pew sheet titled "New to St. Luke's" which offers newcomers a welcome message and a synopsis of the morning liturgy. These are updated and/or replaced as needed.

The committee continues to reach out to local newspapers and to Chambers of Commerce on a regular basis to provide information about our services, events, and commitments.

Fr. Morgan remains faithful to his weekly column, publishing our Lord's message, offering insights and explanations of the Gospels and Prayer Book.

**Dr. Al Cash**

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:  
D. J. FULTON**

**PLEDGE COMMITTEE REPORT  
FOR CY2022 (PLEDGE YEAR 2023)**

- The Pledge Committee drafted and finalized a pledge letter in late Autumn.
- The letter was printed and mailed to St. Luke's
- As pledges have arrived they are being recorded on the individual member's and friends' contribution account for final accounting at the end of CY 2023.members and friends.

## **TREASURERS REPORT:**

**D. J. FULTON**

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## **EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT:**

**PAT DEARING**

### **Annual Report of the Education Committee, 2022**

Teaching Tuesday's classes focus on teaching the principles and beliefs of the Christian faith. This may include studying the Bible and other religious texts, learning about the history and traditions of Christianity, and developing a personal relationship with God, and is designed for students of all ages. The goal of Christian education is to help students grow in their faith and understand the teachings of Christianity, and to provide them with the knowledge and skills they need to live a fulfilling and meaningful life as a follower of Christ.

Over the past year as we gradually emerged from COVID restrictions, we were able to resume our normal Teaching Tuesday's classes with Fr. Morgan, Fr. Ron, Claudia Pound, Judy Bruton, D. J. Fulton, and Pat Dearing as our presenters. (We miss Teresa and her spirited presentations but understand that her plate overfloweth.) We studied Bishop Tom Wright's Books and videos on Simply Christian and Paul for Everyone: Romans; Hillsdale College's online video course on The Genesis Story: Reading the Biblical Narrative; and a roundtable discussion on Martin Luther's tract, The freedom of the Christian and his effect on one of the greatest changes in the Christian religion.

The 2023 schedule has not been set, but we will probably be using more of Hillsdale College's online video courses, Tom Wright's video courses, and possibly another roundtable book study.

We are in need of additional presenters. I have tried to make classes less burdensome for our presenters by using more online and video-themed classes, as well as book studies. If you are interested in becoming part of our training cadre, please talk to Fr. Morgan or Pat Dearing. Anyone who is interested is warmly welcome to our group. Our guiding thought is "*lord speak to me that I may speak, in living echoes of Thy tone.*" Hymn 574

**In His service,  
Pat Dearing, Education Committee Chair**



**MEMORIAL GARDEN REPORT:  
PAT MCCONNELL**

The Memorial Garden Committee is responsible for the maintenance of the grounds for all burial sites, the planning and assignment of plots, and the keeping of all transactions and records. Also included in its responsibilities is the upkeep and repair of the historic stonewall cemetery, the stone wall in the Memorial Garden, the fencing, and the granite slabs of names of those buried and remembered. John Johnson must be thanked for his work in maintaining the grounds. In 2022, two persons purchased plots in the Memorial Garden. There were two burials, and a headstone was placed in the cemetery.

The guild is a financially independent entity of St. Luke, sustaining itself with purchases of burial sites, fund raising, and donations.

If anyone is interested in burial information for this area, please contact Pat McConnell at 706-632-8443 or [jeremcconnellbr@yahoo.com](mailto:jeremcconnellbr@yahoo.com).

**Submitted by Pat McConnell**

**CONCERT COMMITTEE REPORT:  
REV. VICTOR H. MORGAN**

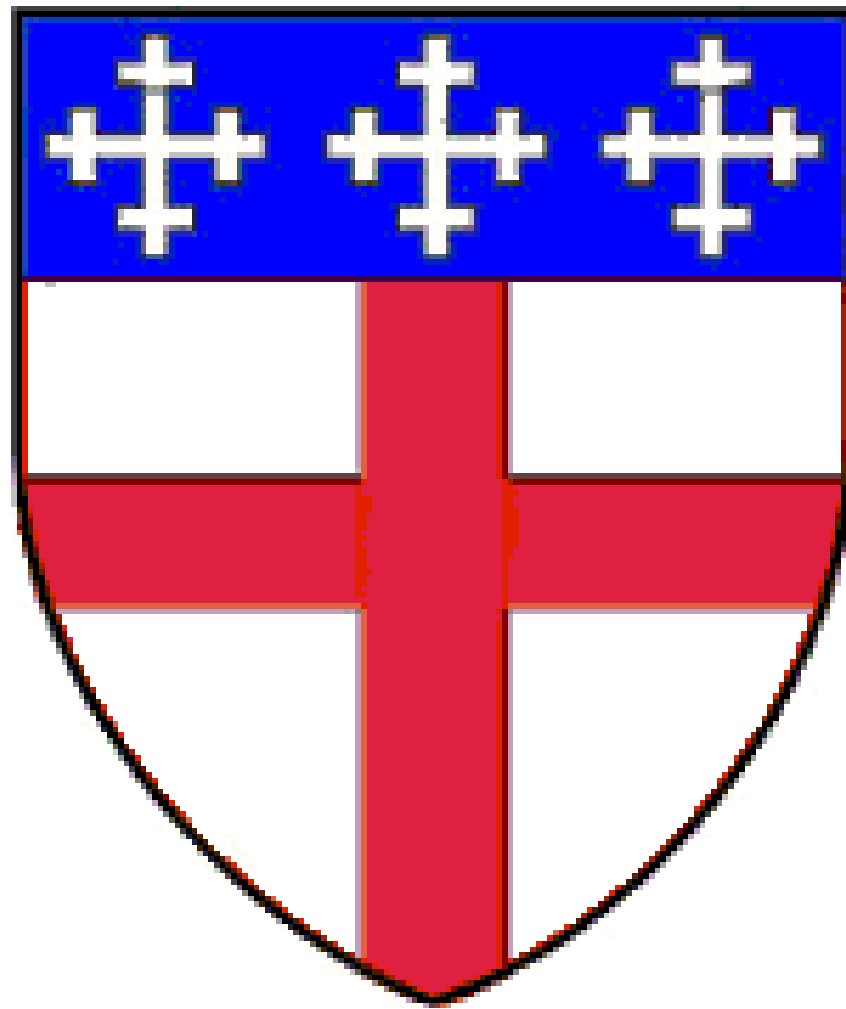
St. Luke's Concert Committee is tasked with selecting and overseeing community concerts (providing receptions when indicated) at St. Luke's throughout the year. The committee is further tasked with seeking funding and monitoring expenses.

The committee's mission is **to enrich the life of the Parish Church of St. Luke and the broader North Georgia community through the promotion of music to the glory of God.**

Current members of the committee include the Rev. Victor H. Morgan, A.D. Frazier, Carlos Martel, Lissa Knight, Kathryn Noblett, Diana Burden and Tim and Jennifer Higdon. Victor Morgan and Carlos Martel serve as co-chairs.

Four events were held in 2022 including: a piano concert by Oral Moses entitled '*The Soul and Spirit of America*' in July. In August, we hosted Kevin Garland with a concert entitled '*Perseverance*'. Jeff Bauman along with the students and faculty from Young Harris College enthralled us with '*An Afternoon of Chamber Music*' in October while Robert Henry gave us '*Classics in the Afternoon*' and The Misty Mountain Singers started the Christmas Season with a concert entitled '*Carols by Candlelight*'. Each concert was well attended and proclaimed a great success.

**Respectfully submitted by the Rev. Victor H. Morgan**





"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." **Hebrews 10:24-25**