sacred space | Grow in your understanding of Scripture | Receive spiritual guidance and teaching | Participate in communal prayer | Be reminded of your purpose and calling | Take part in sacraments | Strengthen your faith through challenges | Develop a habit of weekly spiritual reflection | Confess and seek forgiveness in a safe space | Hear inspired preaching and messages | Find clarity and direction for your life | Build spiritual discipline | Learn to serve with a Christ-like heart | Be part of something bigger than yourself | Receive pastoral care when you're struggling | Celebrate religious seasons | Learn how to apply faith to daily life Anchor your week in God's presence | Discover and use your spiritual gifts | Experience miracles and divine healing | Feel accountable in your walk with God | Be seen | Gain wisdom from other believers | Be encouraged by testimonies | Strengthen your prayer life | Learn to listen to God more clearly | Develop a reverent attitude toward holiness | Participate in the global body of Christ | Grow into spiritual maturity Find peace amidst anxiety | Reduce feelings of Ioneliness | Gain emotional stability through faith | Be reminded you're not alone in your struggles | Receive encouragement during tough times | Be loved | Learn to let go of resentment and bitterness | Experience emotional healing | Develop a mindset of gratitude | Receive the body and blood of Christ | Learn forgiveness and acceptance | Renew hope and optimism | Break cycles of negative thinking | Develop patience and self-control | Learn to manage stress through prayer | Strengthen resilience and endurance | Foster joy that's not dependent on circumstances | Receive non-judgmental support | Be grounded when life feels chaotic | Learn to see life through a higher perspective | Heal from past trauma with challe ted | Develop a stronger hu ence the power of transformation learn to elease will and sharped Build a sense of in the midst of mental noise Center yours Build meaningful friendships | Be part of spiritual leavers d mentors and rgeneration (Tamily ipport others going through hard times Be supported the life was life in a lateral misstores with a carring group | on small Participate in service and outreach projects groups deeper connection The urage and be encouraged Share meals, stories, and life with others | Experience real community in a disconnected world | Learn to love people different from yourself | Receive help during crisis | Teach children values alongside a community Model faith for younger generations | Learn how to handle conflict in healthy ways | Feel God's transformative power | Be challenged to grow by others' experiences | Develop deep accountability friendships | Avoid isolation and social withdrawal | Find a place to belong | Discover your life purpose | Be challenged to grow beyond your comfort zone | Be fully present | Learn life skills through church leadership | Become more generous and compassionate | Volunteer and make a difference | Learn to give without expecting in return Find balance between work, rest, and worship | Grow in wisdom and discernment | Become a better listener Build discipline through weekly attendance | Learn to lead with humility | Develop a servant's heart | See the impact of small acts of kindness | Encounter God in moments of awe | Feel connected to something eternal Experience silence and stillness | Worship through music and song | Feel peace that surpasses understanding Let go of worldly pressures | Reconnect with what truly matters | Experience unity despite differences Realize you're deeply loved by God | Leave each week feeling renewed and refocused | Be prompted to self reflect | Better recognize goodness in the world | Be inspired by stories of faith and sacrifice | Be welcomed by a community | Grow in love of God | Love your neighbor as yourself | Serve the world in Christ's name

Deepen your relationship with God | Experience the presence of the Holy Spirit | Love | Worship God in a

# Saint Luke's Parish | Fall 2025

# Dear Friends.

This is a big and exciting year for us at Saint Luke's!



Beginning with Homecoming Sunday on September 7, our program year is chock full of opportunities to be inspired, to be connected, and to give back. A quick flip through these pages will show you just what I mean. There are so many ways to Grow, Love, and Serve at Saint Luke's - and as you do, I hope you find your spirit fed in powerful and transformative ways this year.

To an outside observer, all this activity might beg the question - "why?" Why do we pour so much time and effort into the life and ministries we share? "Why?" is never a bad question to ask. Even when we think the answer is obvious, it can be helpful to articulate it, to bring our assumptions out into the open, to say the quiet part out loud.

That's why I'm particularly excited for our fall theme this year: **Why Church?** Together, we will explore our various answers to that question. In a hyper-individualistic, spiritual-but-not-religious age, why be part of a Christian community? When our lives are so busy and over-scheduled, why prioritize weekly worship and daily prayer? When it can be tempting to associate only with like-minded people, why join such a big, diverse, sometimes messy family? When everything in our culture valorizes strength and success, why admit our need for God, our dependence on one another, and our solidarity with the poor?

I think there are some pretty great answers to those questions and I look forward to exploring them together with all of you. What a gift it is to be part of this Saint Luke's community! Here's to a great year together!

With my love and prayers,

The Rev. Ryan Fleenor, Rector



Explore "Why Church?" in our new mid-week speaker's series about how our Christian faith can transform the whole of our lives

Join us for a thought-provoking speaker series exploring the relevance, purpose, and transformative power of faith in today's world. Through diverse voices and perspectives of professors, authors, and clergy, each one-hour session invites honest dialogue about faith, community, and the role of the church in modern life. The complete list of speakers is coming soon!

Once a month on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Parish Hall | 9/24, 10/22, 11/19, 1/28, 2/11, 3/18, 4/22, & 5/6

#### **FALL HIGHLIGHTS**

Reconnect with your Saint Luke's family this fall at one of several parish-wide celebrations

# Homecoming Sunday | September 7

Kickoff the new program year together on Homecoming Sunday with services at 8am, I 0am, and 5pm! Discovery Hour, Children's Chapel, Godly Play, the Parish Choir, and our *Come As You Are* evening service all return. After the I 0am Eucharist, we will gather outside for a festive lunch of fried chicken and sides, music, games and a waterslide for children. Bring a friend and join us!

## Blessing of the Animals | October 5

Bring your creatures great and small to the Blessing of the Animals & Feast of Saint Francis
Sunday, October 5 @ 5pm CAYA
Petting Zoo for children @ 4:30pm

## Taste of Saint Luke's | October 18

Bring your appetite and join us for an evening celebrating 20 years of Community Supper Saturday, October 18 @ 6pm in the Parish Hall

# Feast of Saint Luke & Fall Festival | October 19

A joyful 10am service on our Patronal Feast, followed by a Fall Festival with seasonal treats & pumpkin decorating

# Renew & Reimagine Kickoff Party | November 1

A celebratory evening to kickoff our **Renew & Reimagine:** From Generation to Generation capital campaign

# Run With The Saints | November 2

Help support Saint Luke's Outreach with this 5K or 1-mile race Sunday, November 2 at 11:30am Register at: www.saintlukesdarien.org/run-with-the-saints

# SongFest! | November 14

Enjoy an evening of music and fellowship, featuring the Choirs of children and adults, soloists, and the Ron Wilson Band











#### **FAITH FORMATION for ADULTS**

## **Discovery Hour Forum** | Sundays at 9am in the Parish Hall, beginning September 7

Visiting speakers and our own clergy teach our weekly Forum each Sunday at 9am.

#### September 7 - Why Church?

Our clergy kick off the year with a panel conversation about our fall theme.

#### September 14 - Jerusalem Partnership

Parishioner Anne Lynn joins the Rev. Hannah Pommersheim to discuss Saint Luke's newest outreach partner, the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem.

#### September 21 & 28 - Luke's Jesus & Luke's Church

The Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts are really two parts of the same story, narrated by Luke the Evangelist. The Rev. Ryan Fleenor leads a 2-part study.

Check on www.saintlukesdarien.org for updates on each month's Discovery Hour speakers.

## Fall Bible Study: The Acts of the Apostles

Mondays at 12pm in the Taylor Room | Starting September 8

Curious about what life in the earliest Christian communities was like? Join the Rev. Ryan Fleenor for weekly one-hour study of the Book of Acts. All are welcome, no experience is needed.

# Episcopal 101

Sundays from 9-10am | Sept. 21, Sept. 28, and Oct. 5

Want to learn more about the Episcopal Church? Episcopal 101 classes are open to anyone who would like to learn more about the beliefs, history, and traditions of the Episcopal Church. This can be especially useful if you were raised in a different denomination or faith.



#### **Guest Lecturer: Yale Professor Miroslav Volf**

Sunday, September 21 at 11:15am

Miroslav Volf is the Henry B. Wright Professor of Theology at Yale Divinity School and is the Founder and Director of the Yale Center for Faith and Culture. He is a public intellectual and bestselling author of many books, including Exclusion and Embrace, A Public Faith, and Life Worth Living: A Guide to What Matters Most. His talk is entitled "Who is Jesus Christ for us today?"



# **Why Church?** | Once a month on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Parish Hall

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#### **Prayer School**

#### Saturday, November 8 | 9am-2pm

The Anglican tradition is blessed with many tools and techniques to equip individuals with a rich and vibrant prayer life. From liturgical prayer to contemplative prayer — there are different ways to pray for different people and personalities. Prayer School is a workshop that will help you form your own habit of prayer by drawing on liturgical disciplines like the Daily Office of Morning and Evening Prayer (from the Book of Common Prayer) and Contemplative practices (like centering prayer and the daily examen).



# Holy Living, Holy Dying

Sundays, November 9, 16, 23 | 11:15am

From legal procedures to legacy preparations, administrative planning to health considerations, faith rituals to funeral logistics... death is a huge topic that affects us all. This three-part series is a follow up to last winter's Holy Living, Holy Dying panel



conversation. We will focus on preparing our spirits, our families, and our affairs. Whether you have yourself, a parent or a loved one in mind, this gathering over lunch will open a holy conversation for all of us. Lunch will be provided.

# Programs for Children, Youth & Music at Saint Luke's



Saint Luke's offers fun, faith, and friendship for children from birth to college. Parents, please complete a **2025-26 Saint Luke's Registration Form for Children, Youth and Music** & enroll your child(ren) in this year's programs via this QR code or on our website.



Have questions about all that's available at Saint Luke's? *Please contact us!*Erika Caputo for Children's Programs: erika.caputo@saintlukesdarien.org
The Rev. Ansley Walker for Youth Programs: ansley.walker@saintlukesdarien.org
David Pulliam for Choir Programs: david.pulliam@saintlukesdarien.org

#### Please join us for some upcoming events, and find out more about what's coming up this year!



#### Upcoming Youth Group: High School Back to School Bash

Monday, August 25 from 6-8pm in the AYCC

Join your high school youth group friends as we celebrate the end-of-summer and start of the new year with cookout and outdoor games. All friends in 9th-12th grade are welcome!



# Middle School Parent & Student Meeting & Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, September 3 from 7-8pm in the AYCC

Join us for an hour to hear about the upcoming year at Saint Luke's. This meeting is mandatory for Confirmation students (8<sup>th</sup> grade) and their parents and suggested for all other Middle School parents.



#### Join us for Music Program Open Houses

Thursday, September II in the Choir Room | K-2nd Grade @ 5-5:30pm & Grades 3 & up @ 5:30-6pm Does your child love to sing or just love music? Join us for a Music Program Open House where we will learn a little music and play musical games together! Questions? Email David Pulliam at david.pulliam@saintlukesdarien.org.

## Every Sunday at Saint Luke's, we offer special programs for children:

#### Nursery | from 7:45am to 11:15am | Ages birth to 3 years old

Loving caregivers look after children up to age 3 during morning worship & Discovery Hour. Beginning September 15, the Nursery will return to Room 103 in the Education Building.

#### Godly Play | from 10am to the end of worship | Age 3 through Kindergarten

Children gather for prayers, singing and a lesson taught as a story, illustrated with hands-on materials, followed by "I wonder" questions and time to creatively respond.



#### Children's Chapel | from 10am until the Peace | Grades 1-5

Children engage in an age-appropriate Liturgy of the Word, led by one of the clergy, during the first half of 10am worship. Children join their families at the Peace to receive communion or a blessing.

# Our engaging programs offer age-appropriate ways to learn about God, explore faith, and connect with other children:

#### Bible Storytime | Monthly on Saturdays 10-10:30am | Ages 0-2 NEW!

Join Rev. Hannah for this new offering for our youngest members! This storytime features faith-based songs, fingerplays, and Bible stories suited for babies and toddlers. No registration required! Initial dates: Saturday, September 27, then Saturday, October 18.



#### Communion Awareness Class | Ages 4 and up

Five-week course | Sundays at 9am | Sept. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5 and 12

The Episcopal Church invites every baptized member to receive communion, so instead of the First Communion Class that you may remember from your youth, this five-week class teaches an age-appropriate Instructed Eucharist for children ages 4 and older. We will celebrate our children's participation in the course at the 10am service on October 26.



## **Bible Builders** | Kindergarten to 2nd Graders

Thursdays from 4:30-5pm | Beginning September 11

A fun, hands-on way to learn a story from the Bible. For children also in the St. Nicholas Choir, we will walk them to the choir room for their 5pm practice.



# Storymakers | 3rd to 5th Graders

Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30pm | September 17 - November 19

A creative exploration of the Bible with pizza, questions and discussion, and fellowship. \$75 per participant; scholarships available.



# Club 45 Junior Youth Group | 4th & 5th Graders

Wednesday, September 10, and three more Wednesdays during this program year Join in for faith, friendship, and fun with our junior youth group! Meets in the AYCC. Friends are welcome!



# **YOUTH MINISTRIES**

Join a growing group of 6-12 grade youth who are building community and connection at Saint Luke's! Deepen and discuss our faith, build friendships through regular meetings and informal get togethers, volunteer and be of service to others, and of course break bread - or grab a coffee or acai refresher - together! Take part occasionally or join in for everything that's on offer! Parents - please fill out the one-time registration form for your youth via the QR code on page 6 or on our website at www.saintlukesdarien.org/youth to help us get to know you. Friends are welcome for most events!

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL**

## Confirmation | Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm | begins September 10

Saint Luke's Confirmation Program is open to all 6th-8th grade students, with Confirmation taking place at the end of the 8th grade year. Students meet bi-weekly on Wednesdays during the school year (15 total sessions) for pizza, study, and evening worship. Visit www.saintlukesdarien.org/youth for more information. Parents: please join us for a mandatory middle school parent and student meeting and ice-cream social on Wednesday, September 3rd from 7-8pm in the AYCC.

Middle School Youth Group | Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm | returns September 17

Join us on non-Confirmation Wednesdays for food, fellowship, faith, games, and fun. No RSVP required, but all participants must fill out the one-time registration. Contact The Rev. Ansley Walker with any questions. Parents and youth are invited to attend the middle school ice cream social on Wednesday, September 3rd from 7-8pm in the AYCC to learn about the year.

#### **Middle School Youth Committee**

Do you love Saint Luke's? Are you a fan of youth group? Do you want to plan events for middle school next year? If you answered "yes" to any of those questions, you are encouraged to apply to be on the SLP Middle School Youth Committee for the 2025-2026 school year. We are looking for class representatives for each grade (3-4 per grade), and would love to have you. For more information or to apply, visit www.saintlukesdarien.org/youth.

# **HIGH SCHOOL**

**High School Youth Group** | *Sundays, 6-7:30pm* | *returns September 14* Join us on Sunday nights for food, fellowship, faith, games, and fun. No RSVP required, but all participants need to fill out the one-time registration form. A complete list of youth group dates can be found at www.saintlukesdarien.org/youth. Contact The Rev. Ansley Walker with any questions.

# Middle School & High School Worship Leaders

Interested in serving in worship as a reader, usher, acolyte, or on the altar and flower guilds? All students in middle and high school are invited to participate in these ministries. Students serve an average of once every six weeks and it is a great way to serve your community. Students can indicate their interest on the one time registration form.

PLUS.... we have many other offerings during the year, including Chick Chat at Starbucks (Middle School), Coffee Chat (High School), community and church volunteer opportunities, and off-campus events & trips!



#### **MUSIC AT SAINT LUKE'S**

Music is an important and cherished part of the fabric that makes up Saint Luke's. Our music program offers vocal training, performance opportunities, fellowship and camaraderie for all. Interested in music at Saint Luke's? Email our Music Director David Pulliam at David.Pulliam@saintlukesdarien.org.

#### **CHORISTER PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH**

We invite new and welcome returning singers to our Chorister Program, which provides young singers with age-appropriate vocal training, superior music education, community building skills, excellent Christian education, and unique performance and travel opportunities. Affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music in America, our program includes choral singing, rhythmic training through drumming, note reading, composing, and hand chimes. Weekly Voice for Life classes, offering more immersive music theory and Christian education, occur each Thursday, and weekly stipends are earned by all young Voice for Life singers. Rehearsals begin September 18.

Join our Chorister program, with options for every age, from K to 12:

St. Nicholas Choir (Kindergarten to 2nd grade): Thursdays, 5-5:30pm

St. Cecelia Choir (3rd grade and up): Thursdays, 5:30-6:30pm

St. Gregory Choir (advanced singers): Thursdays, 7-8pm

**Voice for Life**: Thursdays, 6:30-7pm



#### **ADULT PARISH CHOIR**

The Parish Choir sings weekly at the I0am Eucharist, as well as for Evensongs and other special liturgies. Rehearsals for adults and young men with changed voices are on Thursdays from 7:30-9pm, beginning September II, however the first Sunday singing together is September 7 at 9am in the Choir Room. We welcome new and returning singers to join our Choir!



# **JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS:**



# First Friends of Music Event | Saturday, October 4, 6pm, Church

We welcome one of the treasures of our Anglican tradition back, Evensong, combined with a festive concert with guest musicians, sponsored by Friends of Music.



# Fauré Requiem | Sunday, November 9, 10am Church

On Remembrance Sunday, we pray for all the faithful departed. At the 10am service, the Choir will sing the Fauré Requiem, accompanied by organ, strings, French horns, and harp. If you would like to sponsor a musician in memory of a loved one, contact David Pulliam.



## SongFest! | Friday, November 14, 6-9pm, AYCC

A Saint Luke's classic! Enjoy a cabaret evening of fun music, food, dancing, and fellowship, featuring the Choirs of children and adults, soloists, and the Ron Wilson Band.



# Advent Lessons & Carols | Sunday, December 7, 5pm, Church

Experience a glorious evening of Advent carols by candlelight, with Wendy Kerner, harp, the Saint Luke's Parish Choir and Choristers, and the CAYA Band. Followed by a festive reception in the AYCC.

# **OUTREACH**

Saint Luke's shares God's love by connecting with and serving those in need in our community and the world. There are many opportunities to volunteer with the Outreach Partners. To find out more about the organizations that speak to you, contact their parish outreach leaders via email (listed below) and join us for an Outreach Fair on September 14 after 10am worship - we'd love talk to you about all the good work our partners do and how you can get involved!

**Community Supper** | A weekly \$1 dinner for parishioners and community members alike. All are welcome to join us in the Parish Hall on Thursdays from 5-6pm for dinner. New and returning volunteers welcome! Contact volunteer coordinator Jen Kepner at jkepner7@gmail.com.



**Cuba** | Connect with and assist the congregation of Santa Cruz del Norte, a small Episcopal church 45 minutes east of Havana, which faces very difficult economic circumstances. Steering Committee volunteers needed. Contact Tony Larino at tonylarino@outlook.com.



**Future 5** | Assist motivated, underprivileged high school and college students in Stamford with tutoring, college and trade school preparation and applications, and career mentorship. I-2 hours per week. Contact Rob Roberto at a.robroberto@gmail.com.



**Homefront** | A one-day home transformation project supporting a neighbor in need involving yard work, painting, and light carpentry. Fall 2025 date coming soon. Flexible volunteer shifts between 8am-5pm. Contact Blaine Hurty at blainehurty@gmail.com or Charlie Koons at charlie.koons@gmail.com to help.



**Jerusalem** | Gain understanding of the Holy Land, the Episcopal Church there, and the people they serve by supporting the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. Contact: Anne Lynn annelynn I 121@gmail.com.



**Laundry Love** | Help those in need get their laundry done! The first Wednesday of every month (9/3, 10/1, 11/5, 12/3); two hour shifts between 1-7pm with parishioners from other local Episcopal parishes. Contact John Wall at johnjwall526@gmail.com or Schuyler Morris at schuylermorris@yahoo.com.



**Pacific House** | Help prepare a meal on the first Sunday of each month (9/7, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7) at Saint Luke's, then serve at Pacific House, a men's shelter in Stamford. Multiple volunteer opportunities and time slots are available. Questions? Email Pam Deming at pamdeming@icloud.com.



**Person to Person (P2P)** | P2P provides food assistance, clothing, financial aid and other essential services to residents of lower Fairfield County. Volunteer in the Clothing Center, Food Pantry, and with many tasks. Visit www.p2phelps.org or contact Bion Piepmeier at bion.piepmeier@gmail.com.









# **LET'S GET TOGETHER!**

Find community & connection in one of these small groups that meet regularly!

#### **FOR PARENTS**

Parents of Young Children | Tuesdays at 9:15am in the Taylor Room, first meeting Sep. 9, then Sep. 23

Are you a new parent looking for community? Join a small group of parents with babies and young children twice a month for camaraderie and conversation as we process, pray, and laugh together. Questions? Reach out to Rev. Hannah.

**Anchored Parenting** | *Monthly series, first meeting September 28 after the 10am service, Terrace Room* Have you ever wondered how your faith might inform your parenting? Do you want more resources for how to talk with your kids about complicated topics? Join monthly to learn about a specific topic ranging from how to talk with your kids about death to how to pray as a family. Led by Rev. Hannah, we will share resources and wisdom together!

**MOMSnext** | Every other Thursday from 12:15-1:45pm | Begins September 25 Join a growing group of moms to explore what matters most in raising children into adolescents. Light lunch, inspiring speaker and small group discussion - ALL in about an hour. This year's theme is "Make it Awkward" - Embrace discomfort to foster growth, connection and authenticity in our relationships. If you are a mom of school-aged children, join us to experience authentic community, personal growth, practical help, and spiritual hope! Questions? Contact Wendy Moore at momsnextdarien@gmail.com.



#### **FOR WOMEN**

**Holding Dinner | Second Monday of each month from 6:30-8pm | Begins October 13**Join this group of women for fun, fellowship and delicious pot-luck dinners. *Contact Mary Beirne Tinsley at mbtinsley@saintlukesdarien.org.* 

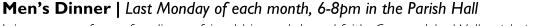
**Women's Retreat "The Divine Connection"** | Oct 10-12 | Mercy Center, Madison, CT Register now and join us for a weekend of connection - to God, fellow parishioners and ourselves. Our retreat leader will be Lisa Baird. Register, then pay (online, drop off a check to the Parish Office, or call Ron Wilson in the office to pay over the phone). Don't forget to BYOBC (bring your own beach chair). Contact Martha at martha44@optonline.net or Jane at jane.mcwilliams I 9@gmail.com.



#### **FOR MEN**

Men's Breakfast | Second Thursday of each month at 7am

Enjoy breakfast and fellowship at a local restaurant. Contact Charles Jackson at jackson5redsox@gmail.com



Join a group of men for dinner, friendship, and shared faith. Contact John Wall at johnjwall526@gmail.com

Men's Retreat | Spring 2026

A weekend of friendship and faith at the annual men's retreat. Contact Rob Roberto at a.robroberto@gmail.com



#### AND MUCH MORE, INCLUDING ...

#### Knitting Ministry | Fourth Monday of each month, 7pm in the Terrace Room

Find community while knitting and purling to create beautiful prayer shawls and squares that will be blessed by the clergy and given to those in need of comfort. Contact Nancy Heitz at nancy.heitz@gmail.com.

#### **Meditation** | Wednesdays, 6-6:30pm in the Taylor Room

Drop in anytime for a short reading, chant, and 20 minutes of silent meditation. Instruction in Centering Prayer is offered, or follow your own meditation practice. Contact Mimi Griffith at mimi@mimigriffith.com.

#### Moving Forward | Third Monday of each month, 3-4:30pm in the Taylor Room

Join fellow Saint Luke's parishioners and friends moving forward towards new life, new experiences, and new connections after the loss of a spouse. If you know the power and peace of this group, invite a friend who might need it; if you're new to this stage of life, be welcomed into a loving, supportive community. Fall dates: Sep 22, Oct 20, Nov 17 & Dec 15. For more information, call the parish office or contact susan.wyper@saintlukesdarien.org.

#### **TOUR Transforming Our Understanding of Race**

This group seeks to transform the understanding of race within and beyond our community, building toward a vision of racial equity through education and engagement. TOUR offers frequent film screenings, field trips, book studies, a lending library and Sacred Ground. To attend our first TOUR event of the year, a film screening of "The Great Debaters" at The Darien Library on Tuesday, Sep. 16 from 6-9pm, register at www.darienlibrary.org. For more information on TOUR, contact Anne Lynn at annelynn 1121@gmail.com.

# Celebrating a year of OUTREACH MILESTONES IN SERVICE

Get involved & give back with us as we celebrate a special year of Outreach Ministries milestones!

# 20 YEARS of COMMUNITY SUPPER "Dinner for \$1"



**Dine with us!** Community Supper returns on September 11, 5-6pm in the Parish Hall, offering home cooked meals for \$1 to parishioners & community members alike. All are welcome!

**Volunteer with us!** Volunteers of all ages are needed to prepare & serve meals! Flexible time commitments & a fun crew await. Email Volunteer Coordinator, Jen Kepner, at jkepner7@gmail.com.



# 10 YEARS of RUN WITH THE SAINTS



**Run with us!** Lace up to support this Saint Luke's Outreach fundraiser in its 10<sup>th</sup> year! Choose the 5K (chipped and timed) or 1-mile (pure fun!) coastal course on **Sunday**,

November 2 at 11:30am, and enjoy a BBQ lunch afterward!

Register at: www.saintlukesdarien.org/run-with-the-saints



# 5 YEARS of THE GARDEN GALA



**Plan with us!** This Spring, we will hold our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Garden Gala, a fabulous evening cocktail party and Saint Luke's largest Outreach fundraiser. Do you love to throw a good party? Are you looking for a way to give back via our Outreach Partners? Join the Garden Gala planning committee & help make this event happen! Contact Lida at lidaward@gmail.com or Jeanne at sekseinteriors@gmail.com.



You'll always find the most up to date information on worship, schedules, events, and all the ways to get involved at Saint Luke's on our website at

WWW.SAINTLUKESDARIEN.ORG

Everything in this Fall Mailer is an invitation to grow, love, and serve with us at Saint Luke's! We hope you'll explore 'Why Church?' with us - come to worship, stay for coffee, explore your faith, attend an event, engage in community, volunteer, sing, eat, learn & pray with us this season!

The Reverends Hannah, Susan, Ryan & Ansley

