



# Leeds Anglican Ministries

## Stronger Together in Christ

Serving Christ through the ministries of the Parishes of  
Kitley, Lansdowne Rear, Leeds Rear and The Rideau

### **January 2024 Events**    *For updates check our web page or call*

\*\*\* Please continue self-screening & best prevention practices for everyone's health & safety. \*\*\*

- Jan 2 - Online Zoom Bible Study Group at 9:30AM; followed by  
Online Meditation Group at approx. 10:40AM, continuing Tuesdays weekly
- Jan 3 - Re-new Creation St. Luke's Thrift Shop open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and  
Saturdays weekly from 10AM to 2PM
  - St. Luke's free brown bag Lunch-to-Go / Meals-to-Go pick up during Thrift Shop hours
  - Compline online at 7PM
- Jan 4 - Leeds Rear budget meeting on Zoom at 7PM
- Jan 5 - Anglican Worship at Maple View Lodge, Athens at 10AM
- Jan 6 - Epiphany 'Good Book Club' reading of Genesis begins
- Jan 7 - Morning Prayer online launches at 9AM
  - Holy Eucharist at Lombardy and Newbliss at 9AM, at Athens at 11AM, and St. Luke's at  
Seeley's Bay United Church at 11:30AM
  - Food Bank Sunday for Lansdowne Rear, Lombardy and Newbliss congregations
- Jan 9 - St. Luke's monthly Men's Breakfast at The Junction Restaurant at 8AM
- Jan 10 - Christ Church ACW meeting at Athens at 9:30AM
  - Evening Prayer online at 7PM
- Jan 14 - Morning Prayer online launches at 9AM
  - Holy Eucharist at Lombardy and Newbliss at 9AM, at Oak Leaf at 11AM, and St. Luke's  
at Seeley's Bay United Church at 11:30AM
- Jan 16 - Kitley PAC meeting at Newbliss at 7PM
- Jan 17 - Holy Trinity Oak Leaf ACW meeting on Zoom at 1PM
  - Rideau PAC meeting at Lombardy at 3PM
  - Evening Prayer online at 7PM
- Jan 18 - Worship at Rosebridge Manor at 10:30AM
- Jan 21 - Morning Prayer online launches at 9AM
  - Holy Eucharist at Lombardy and Newbliss at 9AM, at Athens at 11AM, and St. Luke's at  
Olivet United Church at 11:30AM
  - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Ecumenical Worship at Athens at 2PM
- Jan 23 - Leeds Rear Stewardship Team meeting at Elgin at 1PM
- Jan 24 - LAM 'Shepherds' meeting at Athens at 2PM
  - Evening Prayer online at 7PM
- Jan 25 - Leeds Rear PAC meeting on Zoom at 7PM
- Jan 26 - St. Luke's Community Lunch at Elgin Community Hall at 11:30AM

- Jan 28 - Morning Prayer online launches at 9AM
- Holy Eucharist at Lombardy and Newbliss at 9AM, at Oak Leaf at 11AM, and St. Luke's at Olivet United Church at 11:30AM
- Food Bank Sunday for St. Luke's
- Jan 30 - St. Luke's monthly Women's Lunch at The Junction Restaurant at 12:30PM
- Lansdowne Rear PAC meeting on Zoom at 3PM
- Evening Prayer online at 7PM

Looking Ahead:

- Feb 4 - Christ Church Athens Vestry Reports due
- Feb 6 - St. Luke's monthly 'Open Table' Lunch at 'The Junction' Restaurant resumes
- Feb 11 - Leeds Rear and Holy Trinity Oak Leaf Vestry Reports due
- Feb 13 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper at Oak Leaf
- Feb 14 - Ash Wednesday
- Feb 18 - Christ Church Athens Annual Vestry meeting after Worship
- Rideau Vestry Reports due
- Feb 24 - Leeds Rear Annual Vestry meeting at Elgin at 11AM
- Feb 25 - Holy Trinity Oak Leaf Annual Vestry meeting after Worship
- Kitley Vestry Reports due
- Mar 3 - Rideau Annual Vestry meeting after 11AM Worship
- Mar 10 - Kitley Annual Vestry meeting after 11AM Worship

Events from our Wider Church and Community Partners:

- Jan 14 - Soup & Sandwich at St. Andrew's United Church, Toledo at Noon
- Jan 26 - Soup & Sandwich, Coffee & Dessert at Athens United Church from 11AM - 1PM

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**STEWARDED OUR GIFTS TO SERVE THE MISSION OF CHRIST**

As we wait for the coming Christ, I wonder what surprises are in store. I wonder what discoveries are hiding around the corner. . . .

Can we experience beauty, mystery and wonder while holding the tension between the predictable narrative and the unexpected surprises that await us while looking for the coming King?

So much of the Christmas season brings with it traditions, nostalgia and experiences from the past that influence so many of our decisions that it leaves little to no room for the unexpected. If the uninvited happened to show up at the door, would we even hear the bells ringing?

Heather Welsh 'Surprises Slow to Arrive' in New Leaf Network's Advent Reader 2023

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