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Celebration of the Consecration
of
St. Luke's Episcopal Church

150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION of ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Powhatan Parish, near Fine Creek Mills
Route 711 (Huguenot Trail) at Three Bridge Road
Powhatan, Virginia 23139

Mission Statement

The mission of St. Luke's Church is to be a community with a belief in God, following the teaching of Christ, to minister to each other and the world in which we live, and to provide a place for traditional, spiritual worship.

Acknowledgment

Much of this information was researched by Byrd Pendleton Jervey. We are indebted to her children for allowing us to copy the data from her files.

She grew up in Pendhurst (originally Spring Valley) which is the home directly across Huguenot Trail from St. Luke's Church. She married William Palmer Jervey of St. Helen's and they lived at Jude's Ferry Farm. Her son William Palmer Jervey, Jr., lives in the family home. Her daughters, Helen Jervey and Byrd Jervey Quinlivan have homes on the property.

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The materials printed in this book are based on the widely known oral traditions of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Whenever possible, they have been verified by their subjects or other persons directly involved in the story. Any material that could cause embarrassment or other harm has been omitted. The materials are collected here in order to preserve them in honor of the memory of St. Luke's many loving parishioners over the years and for no other purpose.

AN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE OF ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

On July the 23rd, 1843, John H. Holman of "Calvert's Hill," later known as "Level Green" (which burned), Richard Gilliam of "Buena Vista", and Richard Royster of "Manakin Farm" as trustees acquired from William H. Harrison and his wife, Debora, of "Middlesex", 1 1/2 acres of land on which to build this church. (See "End Note").

Mr. Harrison, a veteran of the Battle of Waterloo, came to this area in the 1820's. In 1827 he bought part of the Middlesex tract of the Millwood Plantation from J. P. B. Harris; he built "Middlesex" the same year. The tract of land that Mr. Harrison sold to the trustees was the northwest corner of his property.

As was the custom of the times, the clay was dug and the bricks were made on the ground very close to the building site. The church and brick wall were built by Mr. Harrison and his son, Thomas B. Harrison. At that time, the church was only 32 x 36 feet.

In the 1890's, the south end of the church was remodeled and the recessed chancel and rose window were built adding 12 feet to the length of the building. At that time, the other windows were changed to stained glass. In 1911, a new wall of concrete that took in more area was built in memory of Lieutenant James McCaw Pickrell, U. S. N.; the churchyard was also enlarged at this time. In 1915, the choir and vestry rooms were added by the Ladies Aid Society, and in 1920, the furnace was put in by the continued efforts of the vestry and Ladies Aid. In 1922, the Reverend John G. Scott presented St. Luke's with an additional two acres plus of land that adjoined the original tract.

Rev. Andrew Fisher, who came in 1844, was the first rector (of a long list of rectors over the years) and held the charge until 1858. He had endeared himself to the people of the Parish in many ways, especially so in his kindness to David Strickland Sublett, who was an orphan. Mr. Fisher was followed in 1859 by Rev. Lewis Walke. He bought the quiet little home once owned by Mrs. William Ball and named it for his wife, "St. Mary's". He saw the Parish through the dreadful days of the War between the States, and was followed in 1874 by Rev. David Barr. Mr. Barr was rector only a year and was followed by Rev. Frank Stringfellow.

Mrs. Barr, wife of Rev. Barr and daughter of Rev. Stringfellow, taught at the neighborhood school across the road (now Huguenot Trail) from the old Rectory (which was razed in 1994). William Palmer Jervey, Edward Darrell Jervey, and the school-aged Kennons *et. al.* attended as did James Postell Jervey, Alan Laird Jervey, Bernard Harrison Mayo, and Lucia Wills Porter of Sublett's Tavern. The log school stood for many years and was attended by later generations of these families.

In 1882, Rev. Buckner M. Randolph became rector. He and his large family were a great addition to the Parish, socially as well as spiritually.

In 1886, Rev. Martin Johnson, born in Washington, D. C., was called from his parish in Warsaw, Va. Shortly after his pastorate began, he and Miss Sadie W. Finney, daughter of Col. and Mrs. William Wood Finney of "Elioch" were married in this church. He filled the pulpit until his death in 1915.

Rev. Mr. Shea, who had worked in the Missionary field of Northern Alaska was called and served a short while.

Rev. John G. Scott was rector through the stirring days of World War I, and held the charge until 1923. While rector he made many large gifts to the church, including two

acres of land that was added to the original tract so as to protect the church from encroachment of any kind.

Rev. Wallace Ribble was temporary minister for a year, and Rev. Beverly D. Tucker took charge in 1926. Rev. S. S. Spathey and Rev. William H. Laird assisted him in ministering to the Parish until 1930.

Rev. C. P. Shelton accepted the call and was rector until 1933 when he was followed by Rev. E. A. de Bordenave, who was followed in turn by Rev. B. B. Comer Lile.

Rev. Edward B. Harris was rector for a year. Rev. James Sutherland-Watt became rector in 1938. He was from Aberdeen, Scotland and a veteran of World War I. He escaped death when his entire company of two hundred men were wiped out in a savage engagement. Mr. Watt recovered from terrible wounds there only to meet death on a quiet Virginia road in an automobile accident in 1941.

Rev. Janney Hutton was rector until 1943 when Rev. Morton Townsend accepted the pastorate.

At various times, students have filled the pulpit and acted as lay readers during the years. Mr. Ribble, Mr. Sapp, Dr. Tucker, Mr. Spathey, Mr. Laird, Mr. Lile, Mr. de Bordenave, Mr. de Wolfe Perry, and Mr. Hutton have all done this. Many of these lived in Richmond where they had regular charges and simply helped out while the Bishop endeavored to locate a minister who liked rural work.

Mrs. William U. Kennon, who was Betsy Gilliam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gilliam of "Buena Vista", was the first child to be baptized in this church. (The Gilliam name was originally spelled differently.) The last wedding (at this writing) was that of Miss Matilda Pickrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Pickrell of "Millwood" and Martin Johnson, son of Rev. and Mrs. Martin Johnson of "Elioch".

Inez Mayo Williams and Catherine Mayo Layne (daughters of Bernard Harrison Mayo) are great-great-great granddaughters of William Henry Harrison, the builder of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

The church yard is also the cemetery and a great many of the old neighbors are buried here. To read some of the epitaphs on these moss-covered stones is like turning the pages of the history of the New World; here the name of Lee brings up a host of memories, and there a Jefferson causes one to pause. This Randolph opens up a vista of thought and that Pendleton makes one ask, "Is there another cemetery of this size in America with as many historic names on its sacred soil?"

The above is from information assembled by

Mrs. William Palmer Jervey
(Byrd Pendleton Jervey)

End Note:

- 1) Further information on the 1843 Trustees of St. Luke's Episcopal Church:
Trustees: **Richard Gilliam** of "Buena Vista". "Buena Vista" was cut off "Maiden's Adventure". The State Prison in Powhatan covers roughly the plantation known as "Maiden's Adventure". Richard Gilliam is buried at St. Luke's.

John Holman of "Calvert's Hill". This place was sold around 1870 when the Holmans moved to Goochland County. The name of the place was then changed to "Level Green".

Richard Royster of "Manakin Farm" (Monacan) was son-in-law to Edward Scott. "Manakin Farm" was owned by members of the Scott family from 1729 to 1941.

RECTORS OF ST. LUKE'S

- The Reverend Andrew Fisher--1844-1858**
- The Reverend Lewis Walke--1859-1873.** Rector during the War Between the States and the Reconstruction period. Owned St. Mary's.
- The Reverend David Barr--1874-1875.** Lived at the Rectory.
- The Reverend Frank Stringfellow--1875-1881.**
- The Reverend Buckner M. Randolph--1882-1885.**
- The Reverend Martin Johnson--1886-September 12, 1915.** Married Sadie Williams Finney, a member of St Luke's.
- The Reverend Mr. Shea--1916.**
- The Reverend John Garlick Scott--September 1917-January 21, 1923.**
- The Reverend Stamos S. Spathey--April 29, 1923-September 30, 1923.**
- The Reverend C. Wallace Ribble, Archdeacon (St. Paul's)--1924.**
- The Reverend A. L. Ribble--1925.**
- The Reverend F. A. Sapp--1925.**
- Dr. Beverly D. Tucker--1926.**
- The Reverend Stamos S. Spathey and The Reverend William H. Laird--1927-1930.**
The Reverend William H. Laird married Constance Kennon, a member of St. Luke's.
- The Reverend Claudius P. Shelton--1930-1933.**
- The Reverend Earnest A. de Bordenave, Student at Virginia Seminary--December 10, 1933-November 1934 and Summer of 1935.**
- The Reverend B. B. Comer Lile--1935-1936.**
- The Reverend Edward B. Harris--January 1937-December 1937.**
- Mr. H. A. White (lay reader)--1938.**
- The Reverend James Sutherland-Watt--October 15, 1938-January 6, 1941.**
- Mr. Edward Bush (lay reader)--Summer 1941.**
- The Reverend Stamos S. Spathey--March 1941-December 1941.**
- The Reverend S. Janney Hutton--December 1941-February 1, 1943.**
- The Reverend Morton Townsend--February 1, 1943-October 6, 1944 and October 1946-January 1, 1948.** Married Nancy Randolph Moulton, a member of St. Luke's.
- The Reverend William Roy Britton, Jr.--June 1, 1948-August 1950.**
- The Reverend Stamos S. Spathey--September 1950-June 1952.**
- The Reverend Carlos A. Loop--July 1, 1952-August 31, 1954.**
- The Reverend Stamos S. Spathey--September 1954-March 1, 1955.**
- The Reverend Wilson M. Stitt--September 1, 1955-April 30, 1960.**
- The Reverend William Gerow Christian--May 15, 1960-September 15, 1966.**
- The Reverend Lawrence W. Mason--September 15, 1967-present**

ST. LUKE'S--AN HISTORIC LANDMARK

On October 15, 1989--Homecoming--at 11:00 a.m., there was a special ceremony at St. Luke's designating it as an historic landmark.

The Right Reverend C. Charles Vache' of Norfolk, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Virginia, Hugh C. Miller, director of the Department of Historic Resources of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and members of St. Luke's gathered for this event. The bronze plaque, situated on the front of the church building, reads as follows:

ST. LUKE'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Built in 1844
Has been placed on the
NATIONAL REGISTER
OF HISTORIC PLACES
by the United States
Department of the Interior

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The church edifice is small and box-like in structure. Its original size--32'x36'--has been changed somewhat by the addition of a recessed chancel in 1890, and choir and vestry rooms in 1915. The church building is much the same today except for the addition of air-conditioning, running water, and electricity. It has, according to the National Register of Historic Places: "...symmetry and harmony, but, above all, simplicity." The hand-made brick building may be described architecturally as "mid-19th century: classical revival."

It was constructed under the supervision of William Henry Harrison between July 1843 and December 1844 being consecrated on April 10, 1845 by Assistant Bishop The Right Reverend John Johns. (See the histories of St. Luke's Church in this booklet for further information.)

St. Luke's beautiful round (octo circular), stained-glass window with its opened Bible (situated above the altar) is very rare. It is triple glass which makes it quite unusual. Its colors become more enhanced as sunlight passes through it from different angles. Recently, it was seen by an expert who acclaimed its rarity.

All of St. Luke's stained-glass windows are to be inspected and repaired as needed this year (1995) to insure that their beauty is preserved for future generations. The Women of the Church will be subsidizing the cost of repairs for one of the windows.

The church's interior was repainted in 1994; the pews were refinished, also; and the tombstones in the cemetery were cleaned, aligned and repaired. These accomplishments were some of the goals of this sesquicentennial year-long celebration of St. Luke's Church.

The Building and Grounds Committee has deemed the church building to be in good condition.

SOME DATA ABOUT ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, KING WILLIAM PARISH, VIRGINIA
(Assembled by Rev. G. MacLaren Brydon, D. D.)

Copied from the Virginia Diocesan Convention and Council Journals

1842. The Rev. Joshua Albert Massey, ordained deacon July 18, 1841 and advanced to the priesthood in October 1842, was sent as a deacon to King William and Southam Parishes, in Powhatan County. At the diocesan convention in May, 1842 he reported that he took charge in September, 1841, before which time no minister had been settled there for many years. He held services at two places, Peterville and Manakin.

In 1843 he reported 27 persons who took the Holy Communion. Within the year he had baptized 54 persons, 40 were colored and 14 white (7 adults and one child, white and 7 adults and 39 children, colored). He reported one new church building under contract and another would probably be commenced in the fall. The church under contract became St. Luke's, and the one to be let to contract in the fall was to be Emmanuel.

Rev. Mr. Massey therefore started both congregations, St. Luke's and Emmanuel. He left in 1844 and there was no report that year in the Convention Journal. But Bishop Johns, in his address to the Convention in 1845 said, "On June 4, 1844 I was at the church near Manakintown in Powhatan, but a heavy rain prevented the congregation from assembling".

1845. Rev. Andrew Fisher was ordained deacon July 14, 1844, and Bishop Meade sent him to the charge of King William and Southam. He was ordained to the priesthood in St. Luke's Church on May 30 or 31, 1846 by Bishop Meade. Mr. Fisher in his report to the Convention of 1845 said, "I took charge of these parishes in November last, (1844). A new church costing \$1,500.00 has, with some assistance from abroad, been paid for; a rectory also has been purchased and repaired and furnished at a cost of \$700.00, and \$850.00 has been subscribed for the erection of another church."

Bishop Johns reported: "April 10, 1845 I consecrated St. Luke's Church, Powhatan and preached. This building has much to commend it. It is well arranged, and neatly finished, but its dimensions are so small, that I trust its enlargement will soon be found necessary."

1848. At the Convention Bishop Johns reported: "On November 10, 1847 I visited St. Luke's Powhatan. I found no one at church. A very heavy rain prevented the congregation from assembling."

"On November 11, 1847 I consecrated Emmanuel Church, Powhatan. The sentence of consecration was read by the Rev. Mr. Fisher, prayers by the Rev. Mr. Meredith, the lessons by the Rev. Mr. Walke, and sermon by myself. Rev. Messrs. J. P. B. Wilmer and Webb and Tizzard were present."

"Emmanuel is a brick building stuccoed, of the gothic order, highly credible to the good taste and liberality of those by whom it has been erected. This is the second church which in a little more than two years, I have been called to consecrate within the bounds of this parish; both paid for, and all without soliciting aid from others. This is as it should be."

Rev. Andrew Fisher continued as rector of St. Luke's Church until August, 1858, when he went to Richmond County as rector of Lunenburg Parish, Warsaw, and North Farnham Parish. He gave up the rectorship of Emmanuel, Powhatan in May, 1855, and Rev. Thomas M. Ambler became rector in January 1856.

Rev. Augustus B. Tizzard took charge of Manakintown Church in 1857, and continued as rector until _____. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Johns February 7, 1847 and priest by Bishop Meade on June 3, 1849.

Rev. Lewis Walke became rector of St. Luke's Church in 1859. He was a classmate of Mr. Fisher at the Seminary, and was ordained deacon the same day, July 14, 1844, by Bishop Meade. He was ordained to the priesthood in May, 1845. He held the charge of St. Luke's Church through the war period and down to 1868.

Rev. John Hyde Saunders was the last colonial rector of Southam Parish and held the charge until after 1801. Southam had lay delegates in the Council until 1805.

King William Parish was represented regularly in the Diocesan Council from 1787 to 1797 by John Harris and Thomas Harris.

100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
OF ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Address given by Brigadier General James Postell Jervey, fondly known as "Jinks" on July 23, 1944, and transcribed from his handwritten copy.

For the older people here who are, or who have been connected with the church, today is indeed a day of memories.

Of the three trustees who bought the site of the church in 1844 I remember well John H. Holman of Calvert's Hill which adjoins my own property in Powhatan; Richard Gilliam of Buena Vista was the Grandfather of my boyhood friend Richard Gilliam, the son of John Gilliam. Many of us remember Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harrison who were charged with the care of the church for many years. I wonder if Tom Harrison was the son of William H. Harrison of Middlesex from whom the site of the church was bought 100 years ago today.

These three trustees were bold and courageous men and we may turn back through the hundred years which have passed and felicitate them on their vision, their faith, and their courage. I pray they may be conscious of the fact that we honor them today and that their handiwork endures and still stands as a beacon to guide wavering and doubting souls.

The Rev. Andrew Fisher was the first rector and served until 1858, being succeeded in 1859 by the Rev. Lewis Walke.

There are only a few left who may say with me that we knew and remember all the rectors of St. Luke's from the second, the Rev. Lewis Walke to the present incumbent the Rev. Morton Townsend.

The impression on my boyish mind of the wonderful stories of the Rev. Frank Stringfellow, the famous Confederate scout and spy, still persist. I also remember that I was among the few reprobates who refused to sign a pledge of total abstinence proposed by Mr. Stringfellow. It would be of some advantage to me now in these arid days had I done so.

Then there was the dear and Rev. B.M. Randolph; his two sons Winslow and Buckner were fine and loyal friends; we three boys had Latin under Mr. Randolph and his instruction was so thorough and of such a high order that I still read Latin with some ease and much pleasure and profit. Then comes the Rev. Martin Johnson whom we senior and middle-aged individuals knew and loved. May I also include in this category Mrs. Martin Johnson whom I rejoice to see here today.

I wish I might pay tribute to all the splendid and able men and women who have labored faithfully through fair weather and foul to keep St. Luke's a living, sentient and useful organization. Many of us are in their debt.

With Mr. Johnson's coming I became more or less of a wanderer, and to some extent lost contact with St. Luke's and Powhatan, but my interest and love in both the church and county have never faltered or wavered.

Many other names might be mentioned: the generosity of the Rev. John G. Scott; the self-sacrifice, eloquence and tragic death of the Rev. James S. Watt; the splendid boys like de Bordenave, de Wolfe Perry, Bill Laird and many others.

Among laymen and lay-women, I mention two, as they stand out vividly in my memory as shining examples. These are the late William Upshur Kennon of Norwood, a true Christian, a splendid gentleman without and above reproach. Among lay-women, I wish to pay tribute to Serena Williams Finney of Eliocho to whose loving efforts and labor the continued existence of this church is largely due.

In looking over the vestry book, I find many familiar names, Charles Carter Lee, J.M. and W.A. Sublett, Miles Selden, John F. Whitfield, R.M. Nelson (father possibly of Bob Nelson, our old and beloved teacher at "Norwood Academy"), John C. Lawton, another old teacher whose cameo countenance, noble white head and stern grey eyes I well remember. The sainted William U. Kennon; William W. Finney; my own father and a host of others.

In May 1867, we find the vestry appealing to the church for aid and calling attention to the fact that only two hundred dollars of the four hundred dollar salary had been paid. I venture to guess that the same problem qualitatively if not quantitatively still is awaiting solution. Sometime later at another vestry meeting certain members of the vestry seek to be excused from paying fines for failing to attend a duly called vestry meeting. Mr. William U. Kennon, rather indignant apparently at the attempted excuses, insists on paying his fine and that of his brother, Charles R. Kennon.

Mrs. William P. Jervey, to whom we are indebted for much painstaking research and factual information about the early history of the church, states: "To read some of the epitaphs is like turning the pages of the history of the New World; here the name of Lee brings up a host of memories; there a Jefferson causes one to pause; this Randolph opens up a vista of thought; and that Pendleton makes one ask, 'Is there another cemetery of this size in America with as many historic names on its sacred soil?'" This quotation is quite appropriate, quite true, and I wish indeed there were time to dwell longer on these annals. But I've said enough; after the splendid sermon by Bishop Brown, the interesting remarks by the Rev. Morton Townsend, rector of the church, and Mr. Paul Blandford, further words by me would be useless and superfluous.

However, I do ask you younger people here to follow that path where the great men and women of this congregation, past and present, by their words and works have led the way.

Take the torch from their failing hands, keep it burning brightly and hold it high, remembering that the words written above the altar in the old chapel at West Point still remain and always will remain true:

"Righteousness exalteth a nation but sin is a reproach to any people".

125TH CELEBRATION OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH
OCTOBER 1969

Powhatan Parish, Fine Creek Mills, Powhatan, Virginia

St. Luke's Church was established in 1844, and it was consecrated by Assistant Bishop The Right Reverend John Johns, on April 10, 1845. The one and one half acres on which the building is located was the gift of William Henry Harrison, an immigrant from England, and he was the chief artisan in the building of the church.

At that time St. Luke's was in Powhatan County and in Southam Parish of the Diocese of Virginia. In 1853 that parish in the county was divided, and the portion containing St. Luke's became Powhatan Parish. Thus this parish is a part of, and is the direct descendant of, the original Henrico Parish founded in 1611. By action of the council of the Diocese of Virginia in May, 1892, approved by the General Convention in October of that year, all that portion south of the James River, including St. Luke's, was constituted the Diocese of Southern Virginia.

The brick building, which Bishop Johns described as having "much to commend it," except for its being "so small," has had added to it a recessed chancel in 1890 and a choir room and a vestry room in 1915. Its conveniences and the facilities for expanded religious activities were furnished by the erection in 1956 of a parish house. In 1968 a rectory was built on land given by Edward Darrell Jervey, a long time vestryman and a faithful member of St. Luke's throughout his life.

Through the years the church has received gifts and memorials too numerous to mention in this abbreviated history. They have added to the beauty of the interior and have furnished items which complete the religious equipment for all types of church services. The oldest and perhaps the most prized of these is the communion service presented in 1848 by the Millwood Sewing Circle, the forerunner of the present Women of the Church organization.

The first rector was the Reverend Andrew Fisher, and he reported to the Council in 1846: "Communicants added from other cures and denominations 4; removed 4; died 2; total 27; baptisms, white infants 3, colored 1 - total 4; marriages 1; funerals 5; collections for missions \$12.00." From this modest start the membership declined to 17 in 1858. Communicants increased to 32 in 1860 and, after four years of the War Between the States, they had increased to 48 under the rectorship of the Reverend Lewis Walke. In 1886 the Reverend Martin Johnson became rector, and his first report listed 35 communicants. His was the longest service as rector, lasting until his death in 1915. Since then, through some lean years and with a succession of ministers, there has been a gradual improvement in the church's affairs. At present, the church is in a cure with Manakin Church of adjoining King William Parish, the Reverend Lawrence W. Mason is the cure rector, and there are four lay readers.

Regular Sunday services are held at St. Luke's. As of December, 1968, communicants were 88, Church School officers and teachers 9, and membership 64 including the adult bible class. There is an active chapter of the Women of the Church as well as organized young people's activities. St. Luke's sponsors award-winning Boy Scout Troop 869 which has its hut on the church premises. Deducting a reasonably small balance payable in installments on the rectory mortgage, the land and buildings have a substantial net value. It is operating in 1969 on a budget of approximately \$10,000.00

As of the date of this sketch, October, 1969, St. Luke's Church has been in continuous existence one hundred and twenty five years.

Edmund Strudwick, Jr.

HISTORY OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

BY INEZ MAYO WILLIAMS

1980

St. Luke's Church was built after 1843, when William Henry Harrison and his wife, Debra, conveyed 1 1/2 acres of land for the purpose of building the church.

Mr. Harrison, an immigrant from England and a veteran of the Battle of Waterloo, came to this neighborhood in the 1820's and in 1827 bought a part of the "Middlesex tract" from J.P.B. Harris of "Millwood" and built his house. This house is still owned by William Henry Harrison's great, great granddaughters, Catherine M. Layne and Inez M. Williams.

Subsequently, and within the present generation, a descendant of the Harrisons, Mr. Bernard Harrison Mayo (a great grandson of William Henry Harrison) and his wife, Annie Palmore Mayo, made a gift to the church of two acres of land extending the original one and half acre property to the present three and a half acres. A cross over the front door on the outside of the church was given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Harrison Mayo by their daughters, Catherine M. Layne, Ethel M. Tilman and Inez M. Williams.

St. Luke's was dedicated in 1844. The original building was 32 by 36 feet. In 1890 a recessed chancel was added, and in 1915 the choir room and vestry room were built. The church is beautifully decorated with stained-glass memorial windows. St. Luke's was consecrated by the Right Reverend John Johns on April 10, 1845. At that time St. Luke's was in Powhatan County and in the southern parish of the Diocese of "Southham" Virginia. In 1853 that parish was divided and the portion containing St. Luke's became Powhatan Parish; thus, this parish is a part of and is the direct descendant of the original Henrico Parish founded in 1611. By action of the Council of the Diocese of Virginia in May, 1892, approved by the General Convention in October of that year, all that portion south of the James River including St. Luke's was constituted the Diocese of Southern Virginia.

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The concrete wall around the churchyard was given in memory of Lieutenant James McGraw Pickrell, U.S.N., by his wife. The brick walk from the front door to the vestry rooms was given by Mrs. Armistead Harvey in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Lee. In the churchyard a stone bench has been installed with a bronze tablet attached: "In memory of Edward Darrell Jervey by his Nieces and Nephews."

In 1848 a silver communion service was given by "The Millwood Sewing Circle". It consists of a flagon, two chalices and a paten. The large alms basin was given by The Reverend John Garlick Scott in memory of Edmund Lee Tompkins. A small alms basin was given by the Misses Constance and Serena Finney in memory of their sister, Mrs. Martin Johnson. A matching small alms basin was given in memory of Mrs. Octavia Sublett Ingram by her daughters, Elsie Ingram and Mrs. Carter Carrington.

The two brass altar vases were given in memory of Sarah W. Williams by her family. The altar cross was given by Mrs. Byrd Pendleton Jervey. The altar candlesticks were given in memory of General and Mrs. James P. Jervey by their children.

The chairs on either side of the altar are, one, in memory of Mrs. Sally P. Henderson; the other, in memory of Alice Finney. Various members of the families were the donors. The baptismal rail and ewer were given by the "Ladies Aid Society" in memory of Katherine Thornton Kennon.

The memorial gifts are too numerous to mention all. The oldest and perhaps the most prized is the communion service given in 1848 by the "Millwood Sewing Circle", the forerunner of the present Women of the Church. Last, but not least, the linen closets in the vestry room were given in memory of Miss Serena Finney by the Women of the Church.

Within this generation the first Boy Scout Troop 869 was sponsored by St. Luke's Church under the leadership of Colonel Alexander S. Quintard as scoutmaster and Dr. W.G. Christian as minister. Five boys received the "God and Country Award", the highest award given by the scout organization. Scouts receiving this award do so after qualifying and following a special program set forth by their church and the Boy Scouts of America and after having rendered various services to their church. Boys receiving this award were William R. Blandford, Jr., Billy Mayo Williams, Robert H. Layne, Danny Mitchell and Keith Evans. This troop had one Eagle Scout, Keith Evans.

There have been many ministers, vestrymen, layreaders and students who have labored faithfully since the church was founded 137 years ago.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

"SOME FACTS AND FABLES"

Included under true stories are the following: (At least, they are deemed to be true, but in the event they are not, no names are used).

FACT: A large monument had been ordered for a family plot in the churchyard. It is assumed it came by train to Goochland, since that was the main mode of transportation for both passengers and cargo, in "horse-and-buggy" days. Several ferries were strategically located in Powhatan, among them, Judes Ferry, and the Ferry at Lee's Landing, to transport people and goods, from the railroad line in Goochland, across the river into Powhatan. I am not sure which of the "local" ferries was involved in transporting this particular monument, but in the course of crossing the James, the flat boat sank under the weight of the large stone. We know the monument was somehow retrieved from its "watery" grave, and installed above the ones for which it was intended. The fate of the flat boat in question is unknown to the writer.

FACT?

or

FABLE?:

St. Luke's Churchyard was at one time the site of commercial transactions which were necessarily clandestine. During prohibition, Powhatan was a thriving center for "moonshiners". The exact location where the transactions took place is not known to this writer, but it most certainly was well-known to the bootleggers' customers. The customer would leave the previously agreed upon sum of money in the designated area, and then retreat for whatever period of time was needed for the "merchant" to replace the money with the illegal goods. I'm not sure of the exact time frame, but believe the practice may have continued in the more recent past, when whiskey was once again legal, but not easily obtained in a rural area, far from ABC stores.

FACT:

We have had many small visitors in our church over the years, ranging from mice to the ever-present wasps, who seem to thrive even in the dead of winter. Larger visitors include a prisoner who escaped from the local correctional center in recent years, and hid out in the attic of the Parish House. He was not discovered immediately, but used the phone to call a cab. Apparently, this seemed unusual, though the exact circumstances are unknown to me. At any rate, when he emerged expecting to find his waiting cab, he walked into the waiting arms of the corrections officers.

FACT: In early 1861, Confederate militia drilled at St. Luke's. Capt. Philip St. George Cocke (later Brigadier General) equipped the troop. According to Richard Couture's book, Powhatan: A Bicentennial History, "The mobilized troop was temporarily encamped at St. Luke's Church and was training in camp and guard duty when the order came from General Lee to report for active service in Richmond." Fifty-two years later, in July 1913, W.U. Kennon and W.R. Johnson, members of St. Luke's, attended Confederate Veteran's 50th Anniversary Celebration at Gettysburg.

FACT: R.E. Lee - A Biography, by Douglas Southall Freeman, stated in Volume IV, "I am going to spend the night at the home of my brother, Charles Carter Lee, who lives a few miles ahead at Fine Creek Mills. At evening Lee reached his brother's farm in Powhatan County. He was made welcome, of course, but as the house was crowded he insisted on using his own tent. He was then invited to "spend the night" in familiar Virginia phrase, at the residence of John Gilliam, whose farm adjoined that of C.C. Lee. He asked, instead, that the available room be given a sick officer and his wife, who had driven up. Learning from his brother's family that the Gilliams were disappointed at his refusal and were very anxious that he at least eat a meal at their table, he sent word that if it were agreeable he would take breakfast with them. He went into camp, immediately in front of the Gilliam home. It was his final bivouac, the last night he ever slept under canvas."

FABLE: Who knows what happens after the Altar Guild ladies prepare for service? On a Sunday morning some years ago when a baptism was scheduled, the Rector reminded the Altar Guild Chairman to be certain there was water in the ewer. The Chairman in turn reminded the responsible member to be certain there was water in the ewer. The chairman saw the member carry the water from the Parish House into the Church. The Rector was assured before the service began that everything was in readiness. The service progressed, prayers were said, and as the Rector was ready to pour the water from the ewer to the font, he realized there was no water. He looked inquiring over at the Chairman, she caught the eye of the Altar Guild member. Everyone involved was perplexed. The Rector quietly went to the Altar Guild room, filled the ewer and the service continued. To the present day no one knows what happened to the water. Did we have a "thirsty spirit" present on this Sunday?

These are only a few of the interesting stories, some factual and some, probably embellished, and improved upon by time. Our church has a rich and unique history, and we hope our 150th celebration will become a part of that history, for future generations to enjoy.

Submitted by
Ann Jervey Thompson
February 23, 1995

EXCERPTS FROM THE ADDRESS OF THE
REVEREND MORTON TOWNSEND

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, APRIL 10, 1994

"Fifty years ago things were really different here. The war was on when I came to the churches of Amelia and Powhatan counties. You see, these five churches-- Christ Church, Amelia; St. John's Church, Grub Hill; Emmanuel Church, Manakin Church, and St. Luke's Church, Powhatan-- had joined together to employ a deacon fresh out of the seminary. ... the Diocese of Virginia put up \$700 of the \$1800 salary. There were no allowances for such as housing, automobiles, insurance, or even a discretionary fund. ...I rented a room..."

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"...on one of my first trips over to the churches on the river, Sadie Johnson told me to go over to see Mr. Tom ---- who had been operated on..."

"I was quite nervous as I climbed those steps. It was one of my first calls...with a very serious illness, also; but I got up my nerve and knocked on the door. No answer. I knocked again and heard a big commotion. A voice exclaimed excitedly: 'There he is! There he is! Catch him, Tom, and cut his head clean off!' Well, I knocked again. This time the door opened. The lady of the house (Miss Marcella) threw her apron up over her face and said (with some exasperation): 'That old pet rooster got in my bucket and splashed water everywhere!!'

"I almost didn't knock that last time. Glad I did, though. We had a grand visit and they were a great strength to me during my ministry in Powhatan."

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"Here at St. Luke's, Serena Finney was the so-called 'Bishop' who pretty much called the shots, and saw to the church being cleaned every second and fourth Sunday."

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"I remember one little old lady who asked during a Red Cross drive: 'If I contribute, will the Red Cross bury me?'"

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"Mrs. H---- in Amelia asked me to stay in the Prophet's Room at her house. Aunt Sadie Johnson (widow of the Reverend Martin Johnson) had a Prophet's Room at "Elioch", also. I used it occasionally."

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"Nancy Moulton and I were planning to get married when I got back from the war. Helen and Big Charlie Kennon, Nancy's aunt and uncle, said that they thought that to wait until after the war was the craziest thing for us to do. Nancy's mother was in Massachusetts visiting her sister. Others egged us on, and the short of it was to call 'Nantee', then the Bishop, and plans went ahead for our wedding on July 24, 1944."

REPORT OF ROSLYN RETREAT
JANUARY 28, 29, 1995

St. Luke's Episcopal Church held a Retreat at Roslyn Conference Center, 8727 River Road, Richmond, Virginia on January 28, 29, 1995. Forty-four parishioners attended and helped formulate plans for the future of the church.

The wise guidance of Wallace Stettinius provided a directed collection and presentation of data. This data indicated St. Luke's is situated in a rapidly growing area. It also provided evidence that in the future St. Luke's is capable of being an independent church; separate from Manakin.

The participation of all members with ideas and concrete suggestions created a discernible energy level. Different views were treated with kindness. Candor was apparent. The emotional involvement of the participants intensified the importance of the problems to be resolved.

Mr. Mason will retire in less than three years. He challenged us with the fact that the plans formulated during the Retreat may well be the beginning of the most important undertaking since the church was founded 150 years ago. The Retreat provided convincing evidence that with the continuing love and support of the parishioners the transition will be smooth and orderly.

Ann M. Hogg
Senior Warden

THE REV. LAWRENCE WALKER MASON
Rector
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Fine Creek Mills, Virginia
1967 to Present

Many times since his arrival in Powhatan County in 1967, the Rev. Lawrence Mason has been invited to join larger, more impressive parishes, but it was the good fortune of St. Luke's members that Mr. Mason and his wife, Marjorie, chose to remain here.

Lawrence Mason was born in Ashland, February 9, 1933, one of four children of Albert J. and Blanche West Mason. After graduating from John Marshall High School in Richmond, he served in the U.S. Navy for two years.

"My Navy tour of duty was really quite interesting, because I served under the Adjutant General of the National Security Agency in Washington, next to the National Cathedral," he explained, "and because I handled correspondence, I was in on all the exciting events that were happening in the Cold War at that time."

After serving in the Navy, he returned to Richmond and attended the University of Richmond, where he was graduated with a B.A. degree in 1957. He went on to Alexandria to attend Virginia Theological Seminary, and earned his Master of Divinity degree in 1960.

Following his ordination, he became rector of Cople Parish in Westmoreland County for four years, and then transferred to the Church of Our Savior in Sandston for a year.

Then he made two dramatic changes in his lifestyle. First, he moved to Hong Kong to teach English and Scripture at St. Paul's Coeducational College and to serve on the staff of St. John's Cathedral. During his time there, he married Marjorie Foster of Richmond, on August 26, 1966, and took her back with him to Hong Kong.

When the newly-married young couple returned to the United States in 1967, they knew what they wanted. They wanted to live in the Richmond area where they had family and friends, and they wanted a small parish in a growing community.

The Manakin-St. Luke's Cure met those needs, plus they were impressed by the warmth of the members of the churches. Another thing they liked about St. Luke's Church was that there was a rectory in the planning stage. "Each day Cricket and Darrell Jervey and I would walk over the construction site on Jude's Ferry Road to see how the new house was progressing. Darrell would oversee the construction to make certain everything was done properly."

It was an exciting time for the young minister and his pretty wife.

"I had such a good feeling about the two churches," Mason explained. "The people were genuine in their beliefs, strong in their faith, equally strong in their personalities."

On his first Christmas Eve service at Manakin, Mr. Mason relates, "I left the service literally with tears in my eyes. There were only 17 people in the congregation. I had come from a cathedral in Hong Kong where the Christmas Eve service was a highlight of the year, with organ music and participation by the people. At Manakin the organist stopped playing because no one was singing the Christmas carols."

When he arrived for the 11 P.M. service at St. Luke's he was in for a surprise. Two, in fact. First, the church was filled with enthusiastic people, who sang all the verses of all the carols. The second surprise was that the close-knit group of Altar Guild ladies had tarried a little too long in the kitchen, and when one of them went to the florist late in the afternoon to pick up the Christmas poinsettias, discovered the shop closed and locked for the holidays, with their flowers inside. The resourceful Altar Guild member went back to the church, removed flowers from a recent funeral in the church cemetery, shook off the snow, and arranged them in all the windows of the church.

How could the new minister ever forget his first Christmas in Powhatan County?

It is difficult to comprehend today, but in 1967, St. Luke's was much the stronger of the two churches in the cure, and carried two thirds of the financial responsibilities for the churches.

St. Luke's also had some outstanding older members, such as Gen. Leroy Collins, Col. James Jervey, Col. Alex Quintard, and Bill and Paul Blandford. They had a strong love for their country, and this impressed Mr. Mason very much. "I could easily relate to this sense of devotion because in my recent years in Hong Kong I was impressed by the devotion of the British to their homeland."

"In fact," he continued, "it was a wonderful surprise on my first Sunday at St. Luke's to hear the ringing sound of 'Our Fathers God to Thee' sung in exactly the same place in the service that the English sang 'God Save the Queen' in Hong Kong." Mr. Mason loved that tradition in the Orient, and continues it to this day at St. Luke's.

"In the earlier days of my ministry here", Mr. Mason said, "there was a wonderful cast of characters in the church. I hate to mention specific people because there were so many and I know I'm leaving some out. But I do remember Constance and Sadie Johnson lamenting that all these new people are coming into the county and wanting to change everything. I remembered their concerns and tried to continue the church tradition in a dignified and orderly manner."

Mr. Mason brought his own personality into what could be considered a staid and conservative parish. For example, who can ever forget his regular Sunday morning races from his car in the parish house parking lot across the grass, and his graceful vaults in full vestment over the cemetery wall to the side door of the church!

When Mr. Mason arrived in 1967, the church had been without a minister for about a year. There was internal turmoil among the members, and the church was not on good terms with the bishop and the diocese.

He tactfully and graciously refused to take sides in the internal strife, but consistently provided a calming and a healing face to the people. "I like a dignified and an uplifting service. I want the people who come to my church to be soothed, and to take part in an orderly service."

His healing tactics were successful. Few scars remain today from that sad period in St. Luke's history, and today the bonds of friendship among the church members are very strong.

In looking back over the years, he remembers some outstanding events. The Lenten series, he feels have been an outstanding success, with remarkably good speakers. One speaker, Catholic Bishop Walter Sullivan, looked at the array of foods and desserts at a covered dish dinner and remarked wryly, "I thought Lent was a period of fasting."

Funny things have happened in church, such as the day the pew holding many of the members of the Cole family collapsed during the service. Fortunately, no one was hurt.

He realizes that serving in one parish for as long as he has is highly unusual, but he thinks that he and his wife have grown to know the people of the parish very well, and in turn, parishioners have come to know Marjorie and Lawrence. "I have baptized babies, seen them grow up in church, married them, and in turn, have baptized their children. These connections go way beyond mere church-parish relationships."

Because Lawrence Mason works quietly, neither seeking nor demanding credit, his good works are not well-known.

Many parish members have benefitted from his sound counseling, his spiritual support in traumatic times, and his generous and anonymous contributions to individuals in times of financial crisis.

In the Powhatan-Goochland area, he has served on the Mental Health Board, and been active in the Powhatan Ministerial Association as both treasurer and president.

In Richmond, he was president of the Richmond Clericus, and Chairman of the committee which established the Bainbridge Feeding Program.

In the Diocese of Southern Virginia, he was dean of the South Richmond Convocation, on the Executive Board of the Diocese, and served on the Strategy and Planning Committee.

His plans to retire in 1997 are firm, he emphatically states. His parishioners know that his true Christian outlook has set a high standard for them, and that he has served St. Luke's faithfully and fully for the past 28 years. He and his wife, Marjorie, have a special place in the hearts and the lives of the members of St. Luke's.

He has a message for the people:

"I want the people of St. Luke's to know that God loves them, and to know the tremendous love God has for each of us. If we truly knew of that love, we would have happier lives, be more content, more peaceful. God truly loves us."

Pauline A. Mitchell

A LIST OF SOME HOMES AND HOME SITES IN POWHATAN COUNTY
 ASSOCIATED WITH PARISHIONERS
 BURIED IN THE CHURCHYARD
 OF
 ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

No. 1 BROWN PLACE (Huguenot Trail)

Brown, Edmonia S.
 Brown, Infant
 Brown, Matthew
 Brown, Walter A.

No. 4 CENTRE HILL (Huguenot Trail)

Guy, John Lawton

Centre Hill had been owned by Blair Bolling who was Captain of the Public Guard for the City of Richmond from 1818 to the time of his death in 1839.

No. 2 BUENA VISTA - MAIDEN'S ADVENTURE
 (Huguenot Trail)

Gilliam, John
 Gilliam, John
 Gilliam, Katherine E.
 Gilliam, Mary Ann Overton
 Gilliam, Mary Jefferson
 Gilliam, Richard J.
 Gilliam, Richard James
 Gilliam, Susan E.
 Gilliam, William Thornton

The church is very near Robert E. Lee's last encampment near Winsor (Windsor), his brother's farm; Lee breakfasted with the Gilliam family the next morning at "Buena Vista" and rode with his men past St. Luke's on his last day with his troops.

No. 5 ELIOCH (Huguenot Trail)

Williams, Sarah C.W.
 Finney, Alice
 Finney, B.
 Finney, Constance W.
 Finney, Constance W.
 Finney, E. C.
 Finney, Elizabeth R.
 Finney, Serena W.
 Finney, William Wood

Johnson, Innis
 Johnson, Rev. Martin (Minister for St. Luke's Episcopal Church)

Johnson, Mary Peyton
 Johnson, Sadie F.
 Johnson, William F.
 Johnson, Wilton R.

No. 3 CALAIS (Calais Trail)

Wesson, Margaret Ann Palmer > See Also
 Wesson, William Hill > St. Helen's

Colonel William Wood Finney was instrumental in establishing the Pony Express.

Memorial Window at St. Luke's Episcopal Church
 In Memory of Margaret A. Wesson, 1818 - 1881
 In Memory of William H. Wesson, 1813 - 1893

- No. 6 ELMINGTON (Maidens Road)
 Johnson, Benjamin F.
 Johnson, Mary Nelson
- No. 7 FARMINGTON (Farmington Road)
 Tompkins, Edmund Lee
 Tompkins, Sally Cotten
- No. 8 FINE CREEK FARM (R. E. Lee Road).
 Williams, P. C.
 Williams, Mrs. P. C.
 In 1718, Thomas Jefferson (grandfather of the President), John Archer, Thomas Turpin and Robert Easley obtained a Letter Patent to a 1500 acre tract of land on Fine Creek. The Jeffersons owned their share of the property until around 1800.
- No. 9 FOREST HOME (Huguenot Trail)
 Talbot, Cassandra B.
 Talbot, John W.
- No. 10 GRASSLANDS (Capeway Road)
 Janney, Mrs. E. T.
- No. 11 GREENWOOD (Huguenot Trail)
 Cabell, Elizabeth Fitzhugh
 Cobb, Eliza Fisher
 Cobb, Lawrence
 Allyn, Frederick Hiram
 Allyn, Jean
 Allyn, Rex M.
- No. 12 HOLLY HILL (Huguenot Trail)
 Balmer, Edwin
 Balmer, Mary
 Collins, Constance
 Collins, Leroy P.
 Gunther, Constance Collins
- No. 13 JEFFERSON (Jefferson Landing Road)
 Michaux, Minnie
 Michaux, W. Frank
 A river town was planned for this site and lots were sold and shops were established. It flourished for a while and became an important shipping point between Lynchburg and Westham. Regrettably, the business venture eventually failed.
- No. 14 JOHN TREE HILL (John Tree Hill Road)
 Jervey, Ann Sullivan
 Jervey, James Postell
 Jervey James Postell, Jr.
 Jervey, Jean Webb
 Ware, Darrell Jervey
- No. 15 JUDE'S FERRY FARM (Jude's Ferry Road)
 Jervey, Evelyn Byrd Pendleton
 Jervey, William Palmer
 Bennett and Martha (Jefferson) Goode established a Ferry here in 1742. Bennett Goode's family was from Barbadoes and his father (John Goode) was killed by Indians shortly after arrival in Virginia. Martha Jefferson Goode was the Aunt of President Jefferson. The Ferry was sold to John Jude in 1758 and operated until the late 1800s.

No. 16 LEVEL GREEN (CALVERT'S HILL) (John Tree Hill Road)
 Youngman, G. H.
 It is believed that this was the westernmost grant of land in the Huguenot settlement established in the 1700's.

No. 17 LIBERTY HILL - WOODWARD'S MILL - KRAUSE'S MILL (Mill Road)
 Woodward, Fred
 Woodward, Hardy
 Woodward, Helen
 Woodward, Mary Cotten
 Woodward, Nancy
 Woodward, Willis

No. 18 MALVERN (Huguenot Trail)
 Archer, Lucy A.

No. 19 MASSINACACK - LAZY OAKS - GLENDALE (Old River Trail)
 Frondorf, Rose
 Frondorf, Urban G.
 Property was cut off Michaux Grant around 1800.

No. 20 MEDWAY (Medway Lane)
 Ashby, Catherine Quintard
 Quintard, Alexander Shepherd
 Quintard, Jean Jervey
 Wyatt-Brown, Jean Jervey Quintard
 Alexander Shepherd Quintard was a survivor of the Bataan Death March and a Japanese prisoner of war during the Second World War.

No. 21 MICHAUX GRANT (Old River Trail)
 Michaux, Madison
 Michaux, Martin
 Michaux, Victorine
 Abraham Michaux was a Huguenot who came over from France about 1701 and settled first at Manakintowne. About 1717 he received the grant of land which is now called Michaux.

No. 22 MIDDLESEX (Huguenot Trail)
 Harrison, T. B.
 Mayo, Annie Palmore
 Mayo, Bernard H.
 Mayo, Ella
 Mayo, S. H.
 Mayo, T. F.
 Layne, Willard
 Williams, Otis
 Williams, William Mayo
 William Henry Harrison built Middlesex in 1827. He had been in the English Army and was at the Battle of Waterloo.

No. 23 MILLWOOD (Huguenot Trail)
 McCaw, D.
 Pickrell, James McCaw
 Pickrell, Jessie Chapman
 Pickrell, Mary Eva
 Pickrell, Percy A.
 Hakala, Michael Wayne
 Millwood is believed to have been built around 1757.

No. 24 MULBERRY HILL (Jude's Ferry Road)

No. 28

ST. HELEN'S (Huguenot Trail)

Page, Judith

Judith Page was born in 1824. She lived with her sister, Lucy Nelson Page and brother-in-law James Madison Sublett, at Mulberry Hill.

Wesson, Margaret A. > See also
Wesson, William H. > Calais
Wesson, Charles Macon
Wesson, Macon
Wesson, Mary E.

No. 25 NORWOOD (Huguenot Trail)

Kennon, Bessie Thornton Gilliam
Kennon, Charles R.
Kennon, Charles Randolph
Kennon, Charles Randolph, III
Kennon, Helen Finney
Kennon, Katherine Thornton
Kennon, Mary L.
Kennon, William Upshur
Selden, Nancy Randolph

Jervey, Alan Laird
Jervey, E. Darrell
Jervey, Helen Louise Wesson
Jervey, Henry
Jervey, Marguerite Montgomery
Jervey, Mary Middleton Elliott
Adams, Mary Middleton Elliott Jervey
Adams, William Gatewood

Charles Macon Wesson was a VMI Cadet and fought at the Battle of New Market during the War Between the States. Dr. Henry Jervey came home to St. Helen's after serving as a surgeon during the War Between the States.

Norwood was built in the early 1700's.

No. 26 PAXTON (Genito Road)

Karrh, Elizabeth Goodrich
Karrh, John H.

No. 29

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Paxton was built in 1823.

No. 30

SHERWOOD (Three Bridge Road)

No. 27 PEBBLE HILL - RIVERVIEW - MONTPELIER
(Huguenot Trail)

Hardy, Anne Buchanan

McKensey, T.M.

The lettering on the tombstone was not legible but this could be McKenzie. A branch of the McKenzie family, living in Amelia County, adopted Rosalie Poe, sister of Edgar Allan Poe, after the death of the children's mother.

Wilkinson, Fanny
Wilkinson, Fannie W.
Wilkinson, William W.

No. 31 SPRING VALLEY - PENDHURST (Huguenot Trail)

Nelson
Nelson

No first names or dates are available for the two Nelsons listed above. However, Dr. Robert W. Nelson and his family lived at Spring Valley from 1849 to 1855. Mrs. Nelson had been Virginia Lafayette Page and she was a god-daughter of Lafayette.

Lawton, Ellen
Lawton, Ellen L.
Lawton, John
Lawton, John Courthope
Lawton, Mary

The Lawtons owned Spring Valley 1855-1869. They moved to Courthope in the central part of Powhatan County in 1869. The names Lumpkin and Priddy listed below, are part of the extended family.

Lumpkin, Gordon
Lumpkin, Julia Lawton
Lumpkin, Julia Vaughan
Lumpkin, Shirley Lawton
Priddy, Clara Lumpkin

Stevenson, Robert Monroe
Pendleton, Brooks Stevenson
Pendleton, Edmund
Pendleton, Edmund
Pendleton, Mary Brooks Stevenson

Davies, Betty
Davies, William E.

Edmund Pendleton was the Editor for the Richmond Evening Star which was the forerunner of the Richmond News Leader.

WHITTLE PLACE (Huguenot Trail)

Whittle, Stephen Decatur

WINDSOR & HOLLY MONT (Huguenot Trail & R. E. Lee Road)

Fuqua, Thomas (lived at Holly Mont)

Lee, Alice W.
Lee, Alice W.
Lee, Charles Carter
Lee, Charles Carter
Lee, Ella G.
Lee, George Taylor
Lee, Janet
Lee, Lucy Penn Taylor
Lee, Lucy R.
Lee, Oma W.
Lee, Robert H.
Lee, Robert R.
Lee, Robert R.
Lee, Williams Carter
Lee, Williams Carter

Memorial Window at St. Luke's Episcopal Church: In Loving Memory of Charles Carter Lee, Born Nov. 8, 1798 - Died March 21, 1871. In Loving Memory of Williams Carter Lee, Born Sept. 8 1855 - Died June 26, 1882. Williams Carter Lee died after being thrown from a horse at his aunt's home, Whittle Place.

Lewis, John Latano 'II

Ligon, J. H.
Ligon, Mary
Ligon, R. H.
Ligon, S.

The Lignons were some of the earliest Huguenot settlers and the name is associated with Erin Hill.

May, Mary

This could be 'Mayo'. The grave is near Watkins' graves, one of whom has 'Mayo' for a middle name.

McRee, G. J.

Moore, S.

Moulton, Nancy Kennon
Moulton, W. Thomas
Moulton, W. Thomas, Jr.
Property was cut off Norwood.

Owen, Heth
Owen, Mary

Richardson, Elizabeth
Richardson, Thomas B.
Richardson, William R.

Property was probably cut off Spring Valley. There is record of a Thomas Richardson involved in a land sale that was to make up Millwood.

Silvey, Marjorie A.
Silvey, Mayo, S., Sr.

Slaughter, Nettie G.

Speed, Lynn Marco

Sublett, D. L.
Sublett, G.
Sublett, Judith
Sublett, Mary L.
Sublett, William

The Subletts were Huguenots and some of the earliest settlers in Powhatan County. Among places in Powhatan County associated with the Subletts are Sublett Tavern, Pleasant Grove, Mulberry Hill, St. Mary's and Liberty Hill.

Sullivan, Ellen P.
Sullivan, Mary C.

Sisters of Ann Sullivan Jervey (See John Tree Hill).

Trent, S.

There is record of a Henry Trent involved in a land sale that was to make up Millwood.

Trimma, Eleanor Rubner

Katt, Rev. James Sutherland
Minister for St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Wilton, John H., Jr.

Winfree

Winfree, V.

Among places in Powhatan County associated with the Winfrees are Pebble Hill and Liberty Hill.

Woolridge, Anna B.

There are several Woolridge home sites in the eastern end of Powhatan County. There is also a Woolridge Road in the vicinity of Huguenot Springs Confederate Cemetery.

