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"Virginia's Oldest Church"



National Historic Landmark, National Shrine, Museum, and Gift Shop

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Cemetery Open House

Smithfield, VA- On Sunday, April 29th, 2018 between 2 and 5 p.m.

Virginia's Oldest Church and Cemetery, Historic St. Luke's, will host its

first ever Cemetery Open House designed for the general public to learn

more about the different options available for eternal resting places.

Enjoy light refreshments and tour the Ancient Cemetery, Columbarium,

St. Luke's Memorial Park Cemetery, and church building. "Become Part of History" by joining

the Historic St. Luke's family. If you are interested in attending this event, please RSVP directly

to Sales Manager Fred Hodges at (757) 357-3367 or via email at <u>fhodges@historicstlukes.org</u>.

About Historic St. Luke's

Historic St. Luke's Restoration, dba Historic St. Luke's, established in 1954, is a 501(c)(3) educational nonprofit is Virginia's Oldest Church built in the 17th-century and remains an enduring symbol of Americans' pursuits of religious freedom and separation of church and state as imbued in the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States. Today it operates as a National Historic Landmark, National Patriotic Shrine, Museum, and Gift Shop. Throughout the year daily guided tours are provided to the general public and private groups and educational special events and lectures are held. The museum displays a number of artifacts from



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throughout its history including America's Oldest Organ - a 1635 English Chamber Organ. Historic St. Luke's does not receive any funding from the federal, state, or municipal governments - all funding comes from private sources including individuals and foundations.

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