

ST. LUKE'S

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



January 19, 2014
11:00 a.m.

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Our Mission: Responding to God's call and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite all to join us in knowing, serving, and sharing Jesus Christ here and around the world.

Our Vision: To be a beacon of faith, hope, and love—every member an active disciple in Christ's ministry.



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1978 Mt. Vernon Road

Dunwoody, Georgia 30338-4617

770-393-1424 www.slpres.org

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service

Nursery provided for all services and Sunday School

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon. - Fri., 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Dr. Jason Whitener, Pastor

Rev. Shannon Dill, Associate Pastor

Rev. Phil Brown, Associate Pastor

Dr. E. Moss Robertson, Pastor Emeritus



That All May Worship: St. Luke's strives to be a welcoming church for all. Assistive hearing devices, large print hymnals, large print bulletins and pew cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.

Parents: During the worship service, if necessary, the parlor is a comfortable place to be with your child and still see the service. Children's Worship Notebooks are available for all ages on the shelves in the Narthex (Sanctuary lobby), along with activity sheets pertaining to today's scripture. An usher can assist you.

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SERVING TODAY

Acolytes

Supervisor Cailin Thelen

Crucifer..... Bonnie Ruggiero

Candle Lighter Laura Turnbull

Bell Ringer Emily Vail

Bible Bearer..... Marjee Williams

Chancel Guild..... Tricia and Brid Igleheart

Sound Crew Gordon Owens

Nursery Supervisor Leslie Hamlin

Greeters Melba & JC Gay,

Donna & Rich Crutchfield

Open/Close..... Josh Nunez

WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are delighted you are worshipping with us! As a guest, you are invited to:

1. During the **Celebration of Community**, please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass the Friendship Pad down the pew.
2. After the worship service, please join Deacon Carol Sweigert, Elder Parker Cutler, and our Pastors in the Narthex (Sanctuary lobby). They will answer questions and provide you with a Guest Packet and a loaf of bread lovingly made by St. Luke's member, Cindy Nunez.
3. If you are interested in learning more about St. Luke's or are interested in joining, please contact Jason Whitener: jasonwhitener@slpres.org or 770-393-1424, ext. 223.

In Preparation for Worship

You have called us before we were born, O God, and named us in our mother's womb. You have made our mouths like sharp swords, and hid us in the shadow of Your hand. You have made us polished arrows and kept us safe in Your quiver. In Christ You have called us to be Your servants, to be a light to the nations, and to herald Your goodness to all. Now our heads are lifted up and we will offer You our sacrifices with shouts of joy. Amen.

Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Jason Whitener

Prelude

Heavenly Love Abiding / James Pethel

* Call to Worship

Leader: When I waited patiently for You, O God, You bent down to me and heard my cry.

People: You put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Leader: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; I have not restrained my lips, as You know, O Lord.

People: Do not, O Lord, withhold Your mercy from me; let Your steadfast love and faithfulness keep me safe forever.

All: Let us worship God!

* Hymn #442

The Church's One Foundation / AURELIA

Celebration of Community

Minute for PW Sandwich Project

Shannon Dill
Lucy Painter

* Invitation to Confession

Lord, Have Mercy / LAND OF REST

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Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy;

Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

* **Call to Prayer**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

* **Prayer of Confession**

Our desire is to do Your will, O God; Your law is in our hearts. But when misfortunes beyond counting press from all sides, and iniquities overtake us, our sight fails. When we are tempted by the vain promises of a life full of ease, our courage forsakes us and we submit to their charm. When enemies overpower us and mock our faith, we shrink back in disgrace and abandon what Christ taught. O God, we are poor and in need. You are our help and salvation. Forgive us, and make us new. Amen.

* **Assurance of Forgiveness**

* **Gloria**

Glory to God / Jacques Berthier

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Glo-ry to God, glo ry to God, glo - ry in the
high - est! Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

Children are always welcome to stay in worship. However, parents may take your child(ren) to the nursery. Parents of children in pre-k, kindergarten, and first grade may take them to the Faithful Friends Class in Room 121.

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 40:1-11

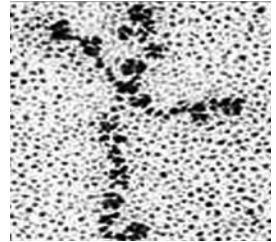
Kirstie Caverhill

New Testament Reading

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

1 Cor. 1:10-18



Sermon

The Power of the Cross

Jason Whitener

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Apostles' Creed

Phil Brown

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering & Offertory

Behold How Good and How Lovely / John Barnard

Chancel Choir

Behold how good and how lovely it is when brothers live together in unity. It is fragrant as oil upon the head that runs down over the beard; fragrant as oil upon the head of Aaron that ran down over the collar of his robe. It is like a dew of Hermon; like the dew that falls upon the hill of Zion. For there the Lord has commanded His blessing which is life forevermore.

from Psalm 133

* Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

* **Sending Hymn #435**

We All Are One in Mission / ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

* **Benediction**

* **Response**

Blest Are They / David Haas

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Re- jice and be glad! Bless-ed are
you; ho - ly are you! Re - jice and be
glad! Yours is the king-dom of God!

* **Postlude**

You Shall Go Out with Joy / Douglas E. Wagner

Sunday,
January 26

Scout Sunday

Many church members have participated in Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. Join us next week as we recognize their leadership and service in our church and our community.

Sunday,
February 2

Scottish Heritage Sunday

Please join us as we celebrate our Scottish history and heritage as Presbyterians with bagpipes, tartan banners, and more! A reception in the Great Hall will follow the 11:00 a.m. service.

Adult Sunday School ~ 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Contact: Shannon Dill, shannondill@slpres.org; 770-393-1424 ext. 229.

Faith Foundations, Room 232: We are studying the Gospel of Matthew with emphasis on the Church as an earthly manifestation of the kingdom of God.

FINCH (Families in Christ), Room 203: This class brings together parents and adults to learn and grow in their faith and their ability to share that faith with their families.

The Story of the Bible, Room 145, Parlor: Each Sunday will include a 30 minute, DVD lecture by Dr. Luke Timothy Johnson, a professor from Emory University's Candler School of Theology. Following the lecture we will have a period for class discussion of what we have seen and heard

Seasons of the Spirit, Room 231-233: A biblically-based discussion class following the revised common Lectionary.

Soul Food, Finding Sustenance for Faithful Living, Room 235: Fellowship, study and discussion on a range of topics related to spirituality in our lives. The "Thoughtful Christian" curriculum provides the source material for this class.

News from SPLASH! Children's Ministries

Contact: Catherine Anne Thomas, cathomas@slpres.org, 770-393-1424 ext. 228.

Jan. 24, Movie Night in the Great Hall, 6:30 p.m.: We'll be watching Monsters University; wear your pajamas, and bring a picnic, and join the fun!

We need volunteer teachers for **Faithful Friends**, our worship education class for PreK, K and first graders. See Catherine Anne for details.

From the Choir Loft

Contact: Clair Maxwell (clairmaxwell@slpres.org or 770-393-1424 ext. 227).

Wednesday Rehearsals:

Chancel Choir	7:30-9:00 p.m.	<i>adults</i>
Festival Ringers	6:15-7:15 p.m.	<i>youth & adults</i>
Westminster Choir	5:00-5:45 p.m.	<i>2nd-5th grades</i>
Cherub Choir	5:15-5:45 p.m.	<i>4 years -1st grade</i>
Youth Choir	rehearses on Sundays , 7:00-8:00 p.m. <i>6th-12th grades</i>	

Youth Connection (SLYC)

SLYC Contact: Phil Brown, philbrown@slpres.org; 770-393-1424 ext. 238.

Youth Sunday School: Sundays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Youth rooms

Youth Choir: Sundays, 7-8 p.m., Choir Room.

Jan. 19, preparations for Tartan Trot: we will deliver note cards about the race to the neighborhood around the church. Bring a flashlight and wear reflective clothing. Also, we need some extra parent help this evening while we are out and about. If you can help drive a group of youth around the neighborhood that would be great.

Jan. 26: pack race bags for the Tartan Trot.

Jan. 27: Summer Trip registrations and deposits due.

Visit St. Luke's Library! Recommended reading:

- *Your God is Too Small*, by J. B. Phillips
- *The Precious Present*, by Spencer Johnson
- *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*, by Mitch Albom

St. Luke's Presbyterian Women (SLPW)

SLPW Contact: Ellen Womack, Moderator, epwomack@bellsouth.net; 770-913-0314.

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Circle item: Gloves and money for MARTA Breeze Cards for Crossroads Community Ministry

Book Study: "Namesake: When God Rewrites Your Story" by Jessica LaGrone

Lesson: Chapter 4: "Remember that God is Always at Work" (Naomi)

SCHEDULE

(All Circle meetings are held in the Parlor, Rm. 145)

Jan. 26 Sunday		Sandwich Project
Feb. 4 Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Coordinating Team Meeting
Feb. 10 Monday	9:30 a.m.	Circle 1
Feb. 10 Monday	7:30 p.m.	Night Circle
Feb. 11 Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Circle 2

The Sandwich Project

Join the Presbyterian Women in the Great Hall on **Jan. 26, 9:30-2:30**, as we make **10,000 sandwiches** for Atlanta homeless shelters and food kitchens. The Sandwich Project is the single largest budget item for PW; we appreciate any financial contributions to help defray the costs. Also, we are also collecting mittens to be handed out at the shelters; there is a mitten box in the lobby. Thank you!

FEAST for ALL! Register now for our Wednesday night fellowship and learning program. More details are in the brochures in the lobby, narthex, Sheppard Hall lobby and on our website. You can sign up for dinner weekly on the blue pew cards, or call Sally Hawkins in the church office by noon on Monday.

Men's Bible Study: Meets every Fri., 6:40-8 a.m. in the Parlor, Room 145, and is led by Dave Elkins. Gather with other men before you start your day to share in Bible study and fellowship.

Wednesday Morning Moms Group: Spiritual Parenting - It's not about perfect behavior, it's about vibrant faith! Join us every Wed. from 10-11 a.m., Feb. 5 to April 2, as we share, laugh, and grow together. Preschool-age childcare is available by reservation. Contact Shannon Dill for more information.

8th Annual Women's Retreat: "Reflecting the Beauty of the Lord" at Mountain Laurel Lodge, Forrest Hills Resort, Dahlonega, GA. Fri. evening, March 14 – Sun. morning, March 16. \$230 per person (early registration ends Sun., Jan. 26). More details are available in the lobby or contact Debi Elkins (678-640-0808 or debi.elkins@att.net).

St. Luke's Little Saints Preschool & Kindergarten 2014-2015: Registration begins this week, Jan. 21-23. Church members can register on Tuesday; currently enrolled families register Wednesday; new community families register Thursday. For more information, contact Carol Perry, Director, at 770-393-1424, ext. 240 or carolperry@slpres.org.

Faith & Film

Fri., Feb. 21

Sheppard Hall 207 (Senior High Room)

7:00 p.m., Potluck dinner RSVP to Nick and Connie Nicholson at connie@salesfitness.com to let them know you are coming. Bring a friend!

7:45 p.m., Movie: Music of the Heart A 1991 film based on the true story of a violin teacher who created a high school music program more or less out of thin air in East Harlem, and eventually found herself and her students on the stage of Carnegie Hall.

OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors) Meeting:

Tues., Jan. 28, at 11:30 a.m. for lunch (\$7 per plate) and speaker Jeff Clemmons, who will share the history of Rich's Dept. Store. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet on the lobby bulletin board.

Annual Chili Dinner! Sat., Jan. 25, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the home of Mary and Billy Martin. Sign-up on the poster in the lobby. Cost is \$7.50 per person; chili, appetizers, desserts and drinks provided. Adults only. Hosted by the Martins and the Cashwells.

Next Men's Breakfast is at 8:00 a.m. on Feb. 8.

You will enjoy a delicious breakfast and a stimulating program on the topic of drug addiction. David Weinshenker, an associate professor in Emory's Dept. of Human Genetics, will be with us to talk about his work in a treatment for cocaine addiction. Add this to your calendar and be sure to respond with a "yes" to the email invitation. Questions? Please contact Daryl Moore: 404-993-6203 ddmoore@yahoo.com.

The Worship Exploratory Task Force: We are engaged in ongoing discussions on how to better serve our congregants in worship and we want to hear from you! Please contact Bruce Jones, chair: stratocaster2@comcast.net or 404-304-5346, with comments, concerns, and suggestions.

Marriage Enrichment Group

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New couples or couples with questions may contact Kimey and Mark Reed at kimeyreed@gmail.com or 404-441-8614.

Jan. 26	5:00-6:30 p.m. FINCH / Rm. 203 (Childcare available 4:45-6:30 p.m.)
Feb. 14-16	Marriage retreat (see below)
March 16	5:00-6:30 p.m. FINCH / Rm. 203 (Childcare available 4:45-6:30 p.m.)

Better Marriages Getaway Weekend, "Pathways to the Heart," **Feb. 14-16**, at the Sea Palms Resort in St. Simons Island, GA. Registration is \$255 per couple. The hotel room is booked separately at \$129 per night. Registration forms can be found at www.BetterMarriagesGA.org or contact Kimey and Mark Reed at kimeyreed@gmail.com or 404-441-8614.

Pine Straw Fundraiser Boy Scout Troop 764 will hand deliver full-sized, tight-packed bales of pine straw to your Dunwoody area driveway for just \$4.25 per bale (15 bale min.). **Order deadline is Feb. 5th** and the scouts will deliver on Feb. 9th. Forms are available in the lobby, at www.troop764.org (click on "2014 Pine Straw"), or by contacting Bruce Sheffer at bsheffer@aol.com. Thank you for supporting the Scouts' annual troop fundraiser!

Mountain T.O.P. Family Mission Weekend: March 28-30

Come and share in this kid-friendly weekend of service with our outreach partner, Mountain T.O.P., in TN. Families will stay and work together on various projects in the community. We depart Dunwoody on Fri. around 4:00 and return Sun. around 1:00. Cost is \$50 for children 12 & under, \$60 for 13 and over; no more than \$200 per family. Contact Shannon Dill to register by Feb. 2!

SERVE

Buy Some, Share One: You can help fill empty pantries by buying an extra non-perishable item every time you go to the grocery store, and placing your donation in the carts in the main lobby. Our ongoing food drive supports local organizations; this month we are collecting for the Community Assistance Center. Thank you!

Share a Dinner: St. Luke's provides dinner on the fourth Sunday of the month for 26 homeless men at Journey Night Shelter (formerly Druid Hills). Please sign up on the lobby bulletin board or call Al Bridges at 770-394-6581. **Volunteers are still needed for April 27, May 25, June 27, and July 27.**

Volunteers Needed to Provide Dinner: Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) provides transitional housing for homeless families (typically 8-10 adults and 10-15 children). St. Luke's provides and delivers a meal on the third Thursday of each month. Reimbursement for IOH meals is budgeted. If you, your family, or group are willing to provide and serve a meal, please put your name on the sign-up sheet on the lobby bulletin board or contact Al Bridges at 770-394-6581. **We still need volunteers for May 15, 2014.**

R.O.C.K. (Reaching Out Through Crocheting & Knitting): Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - noon. Men and women of any age and any skill level are welcome to join us in making items for outreach projects.

Visit the Scout Bake Sale on Jan. 26: Lots of homemade treats will be for sale in the lobby before and after worship.

Serve your church with your smile! There is a need for those willing to serve as ushers or greeters:

Greeters greet members and guests as they come in through the lobby and narthex. Families are encouraged to help. Sign up to be a greeter at <http://bit.ly/slpcgreet2>

Ushers greet everyone, pass out bulletins, take up the offering, direct congregants during communion, and tidy up after worship.

Questions? Contact John Tienken, 770-394-1104, tienkenj@gmail.com.

Family Promise at St. Luke's: Our next opportunity to host homeless children and their parents is **Feb. 2-9**. The sign up link is: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/805084CAF28A75-slpc5. Questions? David King: 770-598-8682 (mobile), 770-394-2742 (home), cardheel@yahoo.com

Looking for a great way to serving our congregation? St. Luke's meal ministry provides meals for families or individuals who are recovering from a recent surgery or illness, suffering from the loss of a loved one, or celebrating the birth or adoption of a new baby. If you are interested in delivering a meal to a congregation member or would like more information, please contact Krissy Williams at bkcook71@yahoo.com.

Get together for breakfast here at St. Luke's every Sunday morning and welcome folks as they arrive. If you and your friends could furnish a continental breakfast, we will be glad to reimburse you. Please sign up on <http://bit.ly/slpcbrkfst> or contact Jay Burton, jburton@mflaw.com.

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Helping Hands: This ministry matches short term or emergent needs in the congregation with available resources. Could you use your time and talent to assist someone in the congregation? Examples are setting up or assisting with a computer, driving a member to an appointment, helping change light bulbs. If this interests you, contact Billy Martin, billybeer214@yahoo.com or 770-441-0373. If you need the Helping Hands team, contact your Deacon.

Prayer Ministry: Our St. Luke's Prayer Ministry Team is involved in intercessory prayer. Intercessory prayer is the act of praying on behalf of others. The Bible is clear that Christians are called to be intercessors. If you would like to become a part of the Prayer Ministry Team, contact Paula Barbin, barbin@fulton.K12.ga.us or 678-297-9877.

Mission Trip to spectacular Guatemala: Have you ever rescued a family from lung disease and from hunger? Would you enjoy building a brick stove or planting trees in cool mountain air, with volcanoes in the background? For anyone over 18, we are planning a mission team from St. Luke's to work with long-time Mission partner, AIR-Guatemala for this coming summer. We hope to have a SLPC group MAY 31 - JUNE 7 but individuals are welcome anytime Saturday to Saturday beginning May 25th through July 6th. For more information, email Anne Hallum at ahallum@stetson.edu. AIR staff members will meet you at the airport and handle every detail of an unforgettable week!



Tartan Trot needs you! Please sign up to run, walk, sponsor and/or volunteer! Forms are available in the lobby or online at tartantrot.com. To volunteer, sign up in the lobby or contact Jennie Burroughs or Krissy Williams. Free childcare is available for volunteers by RESERVATION ONLY. Drop off time is limited to 7:00-7:30 a.m. Contact cathomas@slpres.org to sign up.

Oh My, I Smell Pie!

It's time to make your favorite, fresh-baked, homemade, most delicious pies for the Tartan Trot Race – we need 200! (Why not bake two or three?) Remember, it has to be the real thing: homemade. And no teeny weenie pies. Nice BIG pies. Or, if you're not a pie person but you make a fabulous layer cake, that would be great, too.

Sign up at the Tartan Trot table in the lobby. Plan to drop off at the church kitchen on Friday, Jan. 31, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Place your name and kind of pie (or cake) on a label and attach to the plastic wrap; also indicate if it needs to be refrigerated.

Our race is the only one in the SOUTH, MAYBE THE WORLD, that provides the most delicious home-baked pies to winning runners!

February 1

LAST SUNDAY

Tithes & Offerings	\$17,167
8:30 attendance	88
11:00 attendance	279
Nursery	27

Financial reports available online.

Each Sunday, many of our pews will have first-time or repeat visitors. Your warm welcome to our guests expresses the inviting and hospitable character of this congregation. Your smile and welcoming word make a difference.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Dr. Jason Whitener
Associate Pastor	Rev. Shannon Dill
Associate Pastor	Rev. Phil Brown
Pastor Emeritus	Dr. E. Moss Robertson
Dir. of Music & Organist	Clair Maxwell
Dir. of Children’s Ministries	Catherine Anne Thomas
Dir. of St. Luke’s Little Saints Preschool & Kindergarten	Carol Perry
Dir. of Communications	Tina Knoedler
Administrative Assistants	Liz Catlett & Bonnie Farrar
Receptionist	Sally Hawkins
Facilities Manager	Roby Price
Treasurer	Gary Phipps

PASTORAL COUNSELING

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