

# ST. LUKE'S

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



February 16, 2014  
11:00 a.m.

**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

FEBRUARY 16, 2014 • 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

*Green is used to represent spiritual growth.*

*The flowers for this Sunday are given by Louise Lewis in memory of her parents William and Mary Rauch.*

## SERVING TODAY

### Acolytes

Supervisor ..... Cailin Thelen

Crucifer..... Sam Wassell

Candle Lighter ..... Ansley Wassell

Bell Ringer ..... Emily Vail

Bible Bearer..... Caroline Samuelson

**Nursery Supervisor** ..... Holly McMillan

**Chancel Guild**..... Stacey Kruse

**Sound Crew** ..... Lindsay Ballow

**Ushers** ..... Miles Young, Captain;  
Brad, Jenny, Emma & Jack Troha

**Continental Breakfast**..... Diane Beidl

**Greeters** ..... Maria and Tony Barnhart

**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 Billy Martin, Elder Annie Hardy, 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](mailto:jasonwhitener@slpres.org) or 770-393-1424, ext. 223.



**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.

### In Preparation for Worship

We are called to say yes  
To a God who still holds fast  
To the vision of the Kingdom  
For a trembling world of pain.

We are called to say yes  
To this God who reaches out  
And asks us to share  
His crazy dream of love.

from Edwina Gateley's *Called to Say Yes*

### Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Shannon Dill

### Prelude

Catherine Kitchens, Violin

### \* Call to Worship

Psalm 119

Leader: Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

**People: Happy are those who keep God's decrees, who seek God with their whole heart.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

### \* Processional Hymn #522

Lord When I Came Into this Life

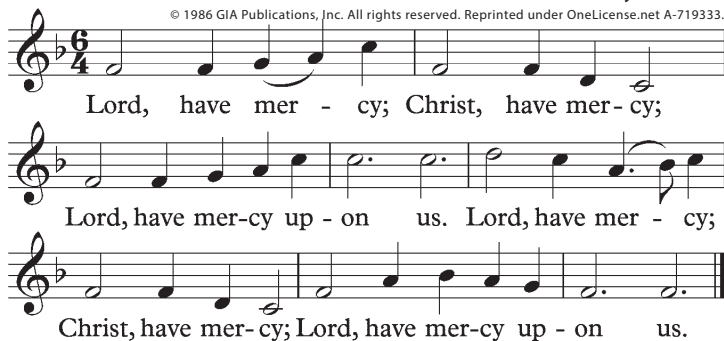
### Celebration of Community

### \* Invitation to Confession

Lord, Have Mercy / LAND OF REST

Wayne Radloff

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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**

**Holy God, we come confessing to You that, even as we follow You, we often live in direct contrast to who You are and who You call us to be. You are light, yet we often cling to the darkness. You are truth, yet we sometimes hide behind the veil of deceit. You are grace, yet we quickly pass judgment. You are love, yet we still find reasons to hurt others. Forgive us, God, and remind us that, even when we fall short, You invite us to live as people of light, truth, grace, and love through the forgiveness of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen**

**\* Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\* Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

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**Tell Us Our Story**

Shannon Dill

Children are always welcome to stay in worship. However, parents may take your child(ren) to the nursery.

**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**

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Michelle Vail

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**New Testament Reading**

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Choices

Shannon Dill

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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**\* Apostles' Creed**

**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**

Just A Closer Walk With Thee

Chancel Choir

**\* 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.**

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WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

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**\* Sending Hymn #419**

How Clear is our Vocation, Lord

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

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## KNOW

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**FEAST for ALL!** Register now for our Wed. 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 Mon.

**Men's Bible Study:** Start your morning with fellowship and Bible study (I Samuel). Join Dave Elkins and other men **every Fri.** from 6:40-8 a.m. in the Parlor.

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

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

**Faith Foundations,** Rm 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), Rm 203: What does it mean to keep the Sabbath in our world today? Join us for an interesting discussion.

**The Story of the Bible,** Rm 145, Parlor: Each Sunday includes a 30 min DVD lecture by Dr. Luke Timothy Johnson, followed by a class discussion.

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

**Soul Food, Finding Sustenance for Faithful Living,** Rm 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.

### Youth Connection (SLYC)

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**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 Connect:** Sundays, 5-7 p.m.

### From the Choir Loft

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**Chastain @ St. Luke's** Our annual outdoor church and community event is scheduled for Sun., Apr. 27 at 6 pm. Once again, we invite our talented church members to participate! If you have an idea or song suggestion, please contact Clair at the church office. **We need to know your ideas and suggestions by February 16** so we can put the program together and have time to rehearse. We look forward to hearing from you! **Contact:** Clair Maxwell (clairmaxwell@slpres.org or 770-393-1424 ext. 227).

**Open Choir Sunday** The choir loft is open to anyone who would like to sing with the Chancel Choir on Sun., March 2 (And the Glory of the Lord *from the Messiah*). Join us for warm-ups at 10:30 a.m. in the choir room.

### Wednesday Rehearsals:

<b>Chancel Choir</b>	7:30-9:00 p.m.	adults
<b>Festival Ringers</b>	6:15-7:15 p.m.	youth & adults
<b>Westminster Choir</b>	5:00-5:45 p.m.	2nd-5th grades
<b>Cherub Choir</b>	5:15-5:45 p.m.	4 years -1st grade

**Youth Choir** rehearses on **Sundays**, 7:00-8:00 p.m.  
6th-12th grades

## News from SPLASH! Children's Ministries

We need volunteer teachers for **Faithful Friends**, our worship education class for PreK, K and first graders. Contact Catherine Anne Thomas: cathomas@slpres.org, 770-393-1424 ext. 228.

**Save the Date!**  
Vacation Bible School is  
**June 9-12**

### Touch the Water, Taste the Bread!

Children ages three through third grade are invited to join us for our upcoming Baptism and Communion workshops. These will take place on Sundays after *Tell Us Our Story* on the following dates:

February 23 (Baptism 1)                      March 9 (Communion 1)  
March 2 (Baptism 2)                              March 16 (Communion 2)

Pick ONE Baptism date and ONE Communion date, as we offer two sessions of the same workshop to be sure all children can be included. On the day of your workshops, please bring your child to the chapel at the appropriate time. Parents are welcome to join the experience, or they may return to worship and pick up their child in the Great Hall at noon. Questions? Contact cathomas@slpres.org .

### St. Luke's Presbyterian Women (SLPW)

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

**MARCH, 2014**

**Circle item:** Easter Bags & Money for CHRIS Kids

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

**Lesson:** "Embrace God's Grace" (Peter)

#### SCHEDULE

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

March 4 Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Coordinating Team
March 10 Monday	9:30 a.m.	Circle 1
March 10 Monday	7:30 p.m.	Night Circle
March 11 Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Circle 2
March 30 Sunday	3:00 p.m.	Honorary Lifetime Member Tea

**Wednesday Morning Moms Group** Spiritual Parenting: it's not about perfect behavior, it's about vibrant faith! Join us on Wednesdays through April 2 from 10-11 a.m., 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 ~ Registration Extended!** With all the wonderful events over the past several weeks keeping everyone busy, we are extending the registration deadline. Don't miss this opportunity to join other women from St. Luke's for our Annual Retreat: "Reflecting the Beauty of the Lord." We begin on Fri. evening, March 14th, and end Sun. morning, March 16th, with worship and communion service. The cost for the weekend is \$230. Details and registration forms are available in the lobby. Contact Debi Elkins (678-640-0808 or debi.elkins@att.net) if you have any questions.

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## SERVE

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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.

**Buy Some, Share One:** Support food pantries at local organizations 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. This month we are collecting for the IOH (Interfaith Outreach Home). Thank you!

**Volunteers Needed to Provide Dinner:** Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) provides transitional housing for homeless families; St. Luke's provides and delivers a meal on the third Thursday of each month. Reimbursement is budgeted. If your family or group can 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. **Volunteers needed for May 15, 2014.**

**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 summer (2014). We hope to have a SLPC group MAY 31 - JUNE 7, but individuals are welcome any Saturday - Saturday, from May 25th - July 6th. For more info: Anne Hallum at ahallum@stetson.edu. AIR staff members will meet you at the airport and handle every detail of an unforgettable week!

**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.**



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**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. (This is a great thing to do as a family!) 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](mailto:tienkenj@gmail.com).

**Looking for a great way to serve your church family?** 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](mailto: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](mailto:jburton@mflaw.com).

**R.O.C.K. (Reaching Out Through Crocheting & Knitting):** Every Wed., 10 a.m. - noon in the Parlor. Men and women of any age and any skill level are welcome to join us in making prayer shawls, layette sets for preemies, squares for blankets, and a variety of other items for outreach projects.

**Prayer Ministry:** Our St. Luke's Prayer Ministry Team is involved in intercessory prayer (praying on behalf of others). If you would like to become a part of the Prayer Ministry Team, contact Paula Barbin, [barbin@fulton.K12.ga.us](mailto:barbin@fulton.K12.ga.us) or 678-297-9877.

**Girl Scouts!** Please let St. Luke's add you to our list of Girl Scouts and welcome you to take part in Girl Scout Sunday, which is coming up on March 9th. Contact Cailin Thelen at [cailinthelen@gmail.com](mailto:cailinthelen@gmail.com).

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## SHARE

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We are excited to have 13 couples attending **Marriage Enrichment Retreat** in St. Simons this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers as they take time to focus on making their relationship a priority.

**Marriage Enrichment Group** Meets monthly, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Finch Room (203). Childcare available 4:45 - 6:30 p.m. Spring schedule: Mar. 23, Apr. 13, May 18. Questions? Contact Kimey and Mark Reed: kimeyreed@gmail.com or 404-441-8614.

**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](mailto: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.

All are welcome in the Chapel for a recital on Sat., Feb. 22 at 6:00 p.m. Catherine Kitchens will play the violin and harp, accompanied by Jill Hudson on piano.

Please bring your palm crosses from  
last year's Palm Sunday to the church by  
Tuesday, March 4 to be burned for this year's  
Ash Wednesday service.

Collection baskets are in the Lobby and Narthex.

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**Curious about Tai Chi?** It's lots of fun and great for improving muscle strength, flexibility and balance. Join Sam Evans and friends Tues. or Thurs. at 12:30.

**2014 Flowers:** To give flowers in memory or in honor of someone or for a special event, sign up now! Cost is \$80. The calendar is on the main lobby bulletin board. Questions? Call Celeste Fischer, 404-434-8099 or Faye Cashwell, 770-409-1960.

**The joyful way to get fit!** Christian Music Zumba meets here Thursdays, 8-9 p.m. \$6 per class or 5 classes for \$25. For more info, contact Chris Wallace: clw7324@comcast.net or 770-395-7324 or 404-432-0090.

**February OWLS** (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors) Join us for lunch and trivia on Tues., Feb. 25 at 11:30 a.m. Lunch is \$6 per plate, and trivia will be lead by Ron Valdes, one of our members. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet on the lobby bulletin board.

**How are those New Year's Resolutions going?**

If you decided to seek assistance for help dealing with stress or difficulties in your life, we are waiting to hear from you! St. Luke's Stephen Ministers are available to meet with you at your convenience to offer a listening ear. Please contact Stephen Leaders Shannon Dill or Laura Strange for a referral.

**Thank You!**

**118 bakers (many of them first-timers!)**

**made a total of 143 pies & cakes**

**for the Tartan Trot on Feb. 2. As usual, you all**

**provided the most delicious pies and cakes!**

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## LAST SUNDAY

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<b>Tithes &amp; Offerings</b> .....	\$26,847
<b>8:30 attendance</b> .....	66
<b>11:00 attendance</b> .....	280
<b>Nursery</b> .....	9

### FINANCE SUMMARY EFFECTIVE JAN. 31, 2014:

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Total Income	\$176,148.43	\$176,594.74	\$ -446.31
Total Expenses	124,140.14	128,048.96	-3,908.82
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$ 52,008.29</b>	<b>\$ 48,545.78</b>	<b>\$ 3,462.51</b>

*Financial reports available online.*

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## CHURCH STAFF

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

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## PASTORAL COUNSELING

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### **St. Luke's Perimeter Counseling Center**

Georgia C. Griffin, J.D., M. Div., Director  
Perimeter Center, Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist/Mediator  
404-636-1457, ext. 452    [www.cccgeorgia.org](http://www.cccgeorgia.org)



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## ELDERS

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### **Class of 2014:**

Tricia Bridges, Jim Bryant,  
Faye Cashwell (Clerk of Session),  
Parker Cutler (Youth Elder),  
Annie Hardy, Sally Joyce,  
David King, Dick Miller, John Ray

### **Class of 2015:**

Jennie Burroughs, Jared Elliot,  
Tricia Igleheart, Fern Mitropoulos,  
Mark Reed, Chris Wiseman,  
Chris Wallace, Les Woodsides

### **Class of 2016:**

Rich Crutchfield, Mary Guerrant,  
Tom Loftis, David McKenney,  
Wayne Radloff, Mark Ryan,  
David Tharp, Allison Thornton

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## DEACONS

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### **Class of 2014:**

Diane Beidl, Jay Burton,  
Jim Giesler (Moderator),  
Joyce Johnson, Jean Kammerer,  
Paula Morris, Luis Sepulveda,  
Carol Sweigert, Kris Turnbull

### **Class of 2015:**

Maria Barnhart, Matt Biggerstaff,  
Sarah Caverhill, Peter Keohane,  
Julie Knotts, Billy Martin,  
Gena Spears, Taylor Vivian,  
Krissy Williams

### **Class of 2016:**

Sandra Clay, Amanda Dunnick,  
Shawn Hamlin, Niki Rabren,  
Katherine Robeson,  
Rebecca Strickland, Jenny Troha,  
Michelle Vail, Meg Wallace