



# April 13, 2014 11:00 a.m. Palm Sunday

**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.



## ST. LUKE'S

Presbyterian Church (USA) 1978 Mt. Vernon Road Dunwoody, Georgia 30338-4617 770-393-1424 www.slpres.org

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service9:30 a.m. Sunday School11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship ServiceNursery 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

Ø B J **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 and activity sheets are available for all ages on the shelves in the Narthex (Sanctuary lobby). An usher can assist you.

For your convenience, there is a **Family Restroom** located in the hallway of the administrative offices, on the first floor, near the main lobby.

APRIL 13, 2014 • PALM SUNDAY LITURGICAL COLOR: PURPLE Purple marks the seasons of penitence and preparation, Advent and Lent.

Today's flowers are given in memory of Ruth Caverhill.

### Serving Today

Acolytes
Supervisor Cailin Thelen
Candle LighterValentina Thelen
Bible Bearer Julia Strickland
Crucifer Grace Strickland
Bell RingerKristin Wadsworth
Nursery Supervisor Amanda Dunnick
Faithful FriendsMark Reed
Chancel Guild Art & Vicky Simon
Ushers Mary Martin, Captain;
Ferebee and Bob Kaleida, Jenny and Brad Troha
Greeter Jay Burton
Continental Breakfast Jay Burton
Sound Crew Bob Burroughs
Open/Close Josh Nunez

### Welcome, Guests!

We are delighted you are worshiping 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 Marie Barnhart, Elder Jared Elliot, 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.

### We Assemble in God's Name

### In Preparation for Worship

Garments and branches were spread on the road. The way was prepared, fulfilling the promise of Scripture. Amid shouts of "Hosanna" and blessings, the prophet of Nazareth entered Jerusalem, acclaimed as a king. As the streets were cleared and the cheering subsided, a drama unfolded that even today grips the hearts of the crowds.

### **Gathering Prayer of Adoration**

\* Choral Call to Worship Enter His Sanctuary Singing / Hal Hopson Chancel Choir Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up, O everlasting doors. That the King of Glory may come in. God is the Lord of Hosts. Enter His sanctuary singing. Shout to the Lord, "Hosanna!" Bless His holy name forever. Enter His gates with thanksgiving. O come into His courts with praise. Hosanna sing we; hosanna, blessed is He. He comes to bless us, the Savior of the nations. We lift our voices, our joyful songs break forth. Hosanna! To God the Lord be glory evermore. *Psalm 24 and scriptural paraphrases* 

\* Processional Hymn #89

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna / ELLACOMBE

### **Celebration of Community**

Minute for Missions: Mountain T.O.P.

### \* Invitation to Confession

Forgive Us, Lord / Jorgé Lockwood



For-give us, Lord.

All: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: As You ride on to glory.

All: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: In Your majestic power.

All: Forgive us, Lord.



The barrenness of the trees in our worship space are to remind us of the Lenten season as we look for the Resurrection.

Phil Brown

Chris Guerrant

### \* Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** Leader: Let us pray.

### \* Prayer of Confession

O God, we confess our distress when afflicted with pain. We often avoid those encounters that will cause us discomfort. It is easier to hide from distress than to be exposed to forms of misery and grief. Yet we believe in Christ, who was sacrificed for all. Help us to trust in Him when He calls us to bear abuse on His behalf and show more compassion on others for whom pain is so constant. 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.

### We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

### **Tell Us Our Story**

Jason Whitener

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 check them in at the Faithful Friends Class (Rm. 121), then proceed upstairs to The Dock.

### 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	Psalm 118:19-29	Julie Knotts
Leader: The Word of the Lord.		
People: Thanks be to God.		

### Anthem

Children of the Heavenly Father / arr. Anna Laura Page

**Festival Ringers** 

New Testament ReadingMatthew 21:1-11Leader: The Word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.

### Sermon

Phil Brown

### We Respond to God's Word

### \* 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**

Sing Out Hosanna! / Patrick Liebergen

Chancel and Westminster Choirs

Sing out hosanna to the Lord and King! Let praises gladly ring! He comes in glory! He sets us free! He comes to reign in great victory!

### \* 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

We Go in God's Name	
* Sending Hymn #88	All Glory, Laud and Honor / ST. THEODULPH
* Benediction	
* Postlude	March / William Walton

Worship Notes: Kelly Sloan is playing the piano. Josh Klein is playing the trumpet.

Today at St. Luke's

### 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. PW Bake Sale

Homemade lemonade cake and carrot cake loaves in two sizes: \$4 sm. / \$8 lrg.

### Noon Church-Wide Fellowship Lunch

All are welcome in the Great Hall immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service. \$5/person (\$15/family max.)

### After Lunch Easter Egg Hunt

We will start with the toddlers on the small playground, then gather the preschoolers and kindergarteners on the big playground, and finally lead the elementary children out to the front yard.

### **Holy Week & Easter Services**

Childcare available at all services except 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise

April 17	Maundy Thursday 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service in the Sanctuary
April 18	<b>Good Friday</b> 12:00 Noon Service in the Sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the Great Hall
April 20	Easter Sunday 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service in the Hannaford Garden 8:30 a.m. Easter Service in the Sanctuary 11:00 a.m. Easter Service in the Sanctuary

### SHARE

**You can give flowers** for a Sunday worship service in memory or in honor of someone or for a special event. Sign up on the main lobby bulletin board; cost is \$80. Questions? Call Celeste Fischer, 404-434-8099 or Faye Cashwell, 770-409-1960.

**Christian Music Zumba** meets here Thursdays, 8-9 p.m. **No class Apr. 17**. Contact Chris Wallace: clw7324@comcast.net or 770-395-7324.

**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.

Marriage Enrichment Group (MEG) meets tonight, April 13, from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Finch Room (203). Contact Kimey and Mark Reed: kimeyreed@gmail. com or 404-441-8614.

**Red Rose Reception:** If you welcomed a new member into your family in 2013, via birth or adoption, we want to celebrate! Watch your inbox for an Evite from the Special Life Events team inviting you to celebrate with punch and treats in the Parlor on **April 27 at 12:15 p.m**. For more info, contact Taylor Vivian, Matt Biggerstaff or Michelle Vail.

**OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors):** Join us on Tues. April 22 at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and a very interesting lecture by Connie Sutherland from the <u>Marietta Gone With The Wind Museum</u>. She will share Margaret Mitchell's story from child playwright to Pulitzer Prize-winning author. You'll leave with a renewed appreciation for a little piece of history known as *Gone With The Wind*. See you there!

### Summer Camp Preview!

Join us this Summer as we explore new adventures while continuing our traditions!

May 27 - May 30 Down Under: Adventures in Australia from Camp Little Saints **June 9 - June 12** Weird Animals Vacation Bible School

**June 2 - June 5** Adventures in Art from Camp Little Saints July 28 - August 2 Act Up! and the Missoula Children's Theatre Camp presents "The Pied Piper"

Visit our website, www.slpres.org for more information on the above camps.

**June 15 - June 20:** Expressions in Motion Dance & Arts Camps (eimdance.com/summer\_camp)

**SporTots** at St. Luke's for the following weeks (sportots.com/slpres/):

June 23 - 27	June 30 - July 2
July 7 - 11	July 14 - 18
August 4 - 8	August 11 - 15
August 18 - 22	August 25 - 28

Also, check out the Summer Camp schedule for Calvin Center at www.calvincenter.org.

### KNOW

Adult Sunday School ~ 9:30-10:30 a.m. Contact: Shannon Dill, shannondill@slpres.org; 770-393-1424 ext. 229.

Lent is an ideal time to pray and reflect on the gift of life God offers to us through Jesus Christ. In Larry Beman's book, *God's Gift of Life*, we are invited to open our hearts and minds through self-examination and reflection. In worship and Sunday School, we have been exploring the blessings of the life given to us through the ministry, suffering, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Easter Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.: join us in the Chapel for the seventh and final lesson from the book, *God's Gift of Life*. In "A Reading of the Will," Pastor Fred Craddock discusses how a 'reading of the will' takes place in worship every Sunday morning as Christians hear again and again the good news that they are included and that they are blessed. All are welcome!

Cursillo Weekend is scheduled for May 1-4, at the Pinnacle Retreat Center in Clayton, GA. The Georgia Presbyterian Cursillo website (www. georgiapresbyteriancursillo.com) has more info about the weekend and the registration form. Contact Debi (debi.elkins@att.net) or Dave Elkins (d.elkins@ att.net) at 770-458-6415 with any questions. What is Cursillo? (cur-see-yo) Presbyterian Cursillo is a three-day, lay-led spiritual renewal weekend that presents a short course in living life in Christ. Its not designed to change what you believe, but to help you realize the full abundance and grace of that belief. It has also been described as three days of singing, worship, laughter, prayer, fellowship, and thinking about what God has planned for you. Format of the weekend includes 15 talks by Presbyterian ministers and lay staff followed by table discussion on the topic.

**Friday Morning Men's Bible Study:** join us every Fri. for fellowship and Bible study from 6:40-8 a.m. in the Parlor with Dave Elkins.

Inquirers' and New Members' Class: Our next series of classes starts today, and will be held on Sun. mornings through May 18 (excluding April 20), from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Rm. #230 of the adult Sunday School wing. The class will be led by Jason Whitener and St. Luke's members. If you are interested in knowing more about St. Luke's and/or want to join the church and be part of this class, please contact Jason at jasonwhitener@slpres.org or 770-393-1424 ext. 223.

### Youth Connection (SLYC)

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

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

Youth Group: Sundays, 5-7 p.m. Today: outdoor games (or inside if the weather is bad) April 20 (Easter): no Sunday School, no Youth Group

**Get your mulch spreading on:** 12:30 - 2:30 p.m., April 27th, help spread mulch around the church. Bring a pitch fork and wheelbarrow if you have one. Lunch will be provided; let Phil know if you are coming.

**Over 16?** Sign up for a day on the current Habitat house build – it's awesome! Sign up online.

### From the Choir Loft

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

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	
Westminster			
Choir	5:00-5:45 p.m.	2nd-5th grades	
Cherub Choir	5:15-5:45 p.m.	4 years -1st grade	
Youth Choir rehearses on Sundays, 7:00-8:00 p.m.			

6th-12th grades

Our annual CHASTAIN @ ST. LUKE'S concert is Sun., Apr. 27 at 6 p.m. in the Great Hall. Bring your own food and beverages and be creative in decorating your table. **Reserve your spot by Apr. 21:** contact Liz Catlett, lizcatlett@slpres.org, at the church office. There is no charge for child care, but you need to sign up when you reserve your spot. See you there!

### News from SPLASH! Children's Ministries

For all children's ministry questions, contact Catherine Anne Thomas: cathomas@slpres.org, 770-393-1424 ext. 228.

**VBS "Weird Animals," is June 9-12.** Campers and volunteers should register online: www.slpres.org.

**Children's Ministries Sunday is May 11** Our theme is "So Good To Me," so we are asking each child to submit an original creation (drawing, painting, collage, whatever) showing at least one way that God is good to YOU! Leave your drawings in the marked box in Sheppard Hall and then look for to go up in our galleries throughout the church.

**Sometime today,** be sure your child stops by one of the blue craft tables in the lobby so they can create artwork for Children's Ministries Sunday. All supplies and instructions are provided.

**Today is the Easter Egg Hunt,** immediately following the church-wide luncheon.

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

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

April, 2014

**Circle item:** Family Promise Day Center **Lesson:** "Choose a Different Future"

SCHEDULE

(All Circle me	eetings are held in	the Parlor, Rm. 145)	
Apr. 15 Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Circle 2	

Coming up on May 5: Spring Gathering Potluck!

### SERVE

Helping Hands: Could you use your time and talent to assist someone in the congregation? This ministry matches short term or emergent needs with available resources. Examples are setting up a computer, driving a member to an appointment, helping change light bulbs. 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 Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH). Thank you!

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

<u>Greeters</u> 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

<u>Ushers</u> 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.

**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 skill level are welcome to join us in making prayer shawls, layette sets, blankets, etc. 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 or 678-297-9877. The Outreach Committee is excited to announce a **mission trip to Merida**, **Mexico** with Acción Ministries (friendsofaccion.org), June 14-21. We will start this first year with a team of 20 people who are committed to being very flexible and willing to shape our involvement with Acción. Adults, college and high school students, and middle-schoolers accompanied by a parent are welcome. Our mission will primarily be house building. Please contact Shannon Dill (shannondill@slpres.org) if you are interested in learning more!

**Mission Trip to Guatemala:** We are planning mission trips for this summer with our partners at AIR-Guatemala. Individuals are welcome any Sat. to Sat., from May 25-July 6. You must be over 18. For more info, contact Anne Hallum at ahallum@ stetson.edu. Anne and AIR staff members will meet you at the airport and handle every detail of an unforgettable week!

**Mission Trip to Thornwell:** St. Luke's is planning another Summer Mission Trip to Thornwell Home for Children, July 17-19. Thornwell (www.thornwell. org.) is in Clinton, SC. The trip is open to missionaries of all ages and there will be a variety of work to do. Missionaries are responsible for a \$50 registration fee, two nights at a hotel and a couple of meals; the total cost per person should not exceed \$200. Participating youth will have most of their expenses covered by Tartan Trot proceeds. This is a great way to serve, learn and grow in faith without going too far from home. Contact Mary Martin: mary.martin@ nsn.com, 404-345-8597.

Our **2014 Habitat for Humanity** build is underway, Saturdays through May 17! Contact Daryl Moore: (cell)404-993-6203; ddmoore@yahoo.com. To volunteer, sign up online: http://goo.gl/mOEtlx. Family Promise: Our hosting week is Apr. 20 - Apr. 27. Click the link in "Highlights" or go to www. signupgenius.com, search for slpcfamilypromise@ yahoo.com. Thank you for all you do to show homeless families how St. Luke's members put faith into action.

**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@mfllaw.com.

**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 still needed for May 25, June 27, and July 27.** 

A new ministry: St. Luke's is a loving and caring church that feels like home to those who participate in the many ministries and programs offered here. However, there are times when a member may become less active at church, and then they find it difficult to reengage. Whatever the circumstances, we want everyone to know that the door is always open! In the coming weeks, we will offer a foursession training program to equip a team of active members to reach out to inactive members. If you would like to be part of this new ministry, please contact Shannon Dill (shannondill@slpres.org) or Jim Giesler (jfgielser@comcast.net). 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.

### Mountain T.O.P.

My name is Chris Guerrant. As a member of St Luke's for most of my life, I've had the pleasure of going on many mission trips and Christian youth conferences. This summer, I've been selected to serve as a Ministry Coordinator for ten weeks at Mountain T.O.P. (Tennessee Outreach Project), a non-profit Christian mission dedicated to rural life ministry in the Cumberland Mountains of central Tennessee. We help local families by assisting with home repairs and offering social, emotional, and spiritual support. As a Ministry Coordinator, I will be working with local kids in a summer camp by planning projects, leading worship sessions, and planning activities for visiting teens. Mountain T.O.P. requires each staffer to contribute \$2,100 towards supplies and living expenses. Please consider donating to my cause at https://www.razoo.com/ users/4pskdf. Alternatively, personal checks can be made payable to Mountain T.O.P. and left in Mary Guerrant's mailbox in the church office. I would also appreciate your prayers as we work together on the mountain this summer. Thank you for your continued love and support. Sincerely and through God's grace, Chris Guerrant

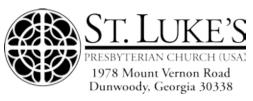
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### Elders

### 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

### Deacons

### 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:

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