

ST. LUKE'S

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



April 27, 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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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

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 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 27, 2014 • 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

White is used on days we celebrate the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, such as Christmas, Easter and Communion Sundays.

*The flowers are given by Saralyn Hill
in loving memory of her husband, Charley Hill, Sr.*

SERVING TODAY

Acolytes

Bible Bearer..... Emma Parker
Water Bearer..... Elliot McGoldrick
Candle Lighter..... Valentina Thelen
Crucifer..... Emma Troha

Nursery Supervisor..... Marcy Williams

Chancel Guild..... Bona & Carol Allen

Ushers..... Mary Martin, Captain;
Presh Murray, Mary & Art Reid, Janet & Tom Stanley

Continental Breakfast..... Kris Turnbull

Sound Crew..... Brad Troha

Open/Close..... Miles Young

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.

In Preparation for Worship

Source of our refuge and strength, as we enter Your sanctuary You guide the way our footsteps should go. You protect us from paths that often imperil us; You shield us from situations we should not pursue. As we pause to ponder Your bountiful goodness, may Your comforting presence precede us this day. Hear our words of praise and thanksgiving as we respond to Your counsel and care. Amen.

Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Shannon Dill

Prelude

Prelude / Johann Pachelbel

* Call to Worship

Leader: Astonishing Good News!

People: A surprise beyond expectation!

Leader: Christ is alive!

People: He has risen indeed!

Leader: The grave could not contain Him!

People: And the news cannot be hidden!

All: Come, let us worship the risen Lord.

* Processional Hymn #113

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today! / LLANFAIR

Celebration of Community

Jason Whitener

* Invitation to Confession

* Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

* Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, You have accepted Christ's sacrifice for our salvation. By Your power You have raised Him from the dead. We humbly confess that, while we know the story and believe it, it often has made too little difference in our lives, and at times we have been silent when we should have spoken of it. Forgive us, we pray, of these sins. Enable us today to reflect more deeply on the sacred story, that our obedience may be increased that our service may be more joyful, and our testimony may be more courageous. Hear us in the name of our risen Savior. 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

Phil Brown

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, upstairs, in The Dock.

Anthem

I Lift Mine Eyes / John Erickson

Chancel Choir
Emma Nortje, Cello

I lift mine eyes unto the hills from where my help comes; my help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not let thy foot to be moved. He that keepeth thee shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord watches over you. Indeed, the sun will not harm you by day nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from harm; he will watch over your life for the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and evermore.

Psalm 121

Sacrament of Baptism

Forrest Scott Herrick

Phil Brown

Joining Forrest today are his parents Martha Tate and Bruce Herrick; Great Grandmother Gloria O'Brien; Grandparents Kathleen O'Brien and Mason Rodgers; Aunts and Uncles John O'Brien, Maureen O'Brien, and George Wright.

* **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. *(Congregation may be seated.)*

Following the elder's statement, the congregation shall respond:

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Forrest into Christ's Church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love and support you, to live the good news of the gospel with you, and to encourage you in knowing and following Christ.

Celebration of Confirmation

Phil Brown

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.

New Testament Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9 Sandra Clay

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading John 20:19-31

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Moving Forward Shannon Dill

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Offering & Offertory Offering / Johann Pachelbel

* 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 #399** We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight / DUNLAP'S CREEK

* **Benediction & Response** Dona Nobis Pacem (Give Us Peace) / DONA NOBIS PACEM
Chancel Choir

* **Postlude** Postlude / Johann Pachelbel

WORSHIP NOTE: The organ pieces by Pachelbel, of *Canon in D* fame, are all based on German chorale (hymn) tunes. Emma Nortje is a student at Dunwoody High School. Ron Valdes is singing the solo. Bruce Jones is playing the guitar.

CONFIRMATION TODAY AT 11:00

The confirmation process at St. Luke's starts in January and ends today. The 8th grade students spend time in class on Sunday afternoons learning about what it means to be Christians and particularly what it means to be Presbyterian. The class helped lead our Ash Wednesday Service and went on a weekend-long retreat. They were paired with leaders from the congregation, called covenant partners, who walked with them during this process. At the end of confirmation, they are asked to write statements of faith which are shared with the session. Today we celebrate their commitment to be active members at St. Luke's and in Christ's church. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

Covenant Partner

Wayne Radloff
Mark Reed
Les Woodsides
Jim Bryant
Jim Giesler
Miles Young
Langley Perry
Mary Guerrant
Katherine Robeson
Sally Joyce
Sandra Clay
Paula Barbin
Beth Dresher
Debi Elkins
Jennifer Wolfe
Beth Eisenmesser
Gena Spears

Confirmand

Trey McGurk
Davis Moreland
Forrest Herrick
Dylan Clyne
Taylor Hull
Hutson Luranc
Jack Singley
Mary Frances Kitchens
Lauren Garrett
Alex Daley
Jewel Ann Cameron
Cameron Wescott
Grace Alexander
Claire Mullen
Kristin Wadsworth
Emily Vail
Miranda Wesley

KNOW

Youth Connection (SLYC)

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

Apr. 27 - TODAY

9:30 - 10:30, Sunday school

12:30 - 2:30 p.m., Service Project

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.

6:00 p.m., Chastain at St. Luke's

Join us at the Youth tables and at the grill for hot dogs and hamburgers.

May 4, May 11, May 18, May 25

No youth group.

May 18 Summer Trip meetings:

1:30-2:30 Mt. T.O.P.

2:30-3:30 Massanetta Springs

3:30-4:30 Montreat

From the Choir Loft

Summer Music Sundays: We are now scheduling music for our summer worship services when the choirs are not singing. Music is needed at both the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services, and all singers and instrumentalists are welcome and appreciated! If you play an instrument in a band or orchestra, take lessons, or can't sing with the choirs during the year, this is your chance to share your gifts with the congregation. Dates are Jun. 15-Aug. 10.

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

Adult Sunday School (9:30-10:30 a.m.)

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

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

FLN.C.H (Families in Christ, Room 203)

We're starting a new study called *Animate Bible*. It poses questions people really have, and then encourages participants to respond—answers aren't included! The seven sessions feature perspectives from Christian leaders on topics such as the canon, history, testaments, gospels, genre, interpretation, and grace.

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.

Seasons of the Spirit (Room 231-233)

A biblically-based discussion class following the revised common Lectionary.

Soul Food (Room 235)

Finding Sustenance for Faithful Living: Fellowship, study and discussion on a range of topics related to spirituality in our lives.

May 5 is the **SLPW Spring Gathering Potluck!**

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

SPLASH! Children's Ministries

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

Weird Animals June 9-12, 9:15-12:15

Our vacation bible school theme for this summer is "Weird Animals" – it's all about God's one-of-a-kind love, and it's going to be great! We still need helpers in a number of different areas, so if there's any way you can join our herd, please sign up online or email Liz in the church office (lizcatlett@slpres.org). Our volunteer training meetings are set up for TODAY after worship or TOMORROW, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. Both sessions offer child care and a light meal. If you'd like to help but can't make a meeting, don't let that stop you from signing up! We can meet with you another time, at your convenience. **Campers and volunteers should register online: www.slpres.org.**

Children's Ministries Sunday is May 11. Our theme is "So Good To Me;" we'd like each child to submit an original creation (drawing, painting, collage) showing at least one way that God is good to YOU! Leave drawings in the marked box in Sheppard Hall and they will be displayed in the galleries throughout the church.

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.

SERVE

Our **2014 Habitat for Humanity** build is underway, Saturdays through May 17! Contact Daryl Moore: (cell)404-993-6203; ddmoores@yahoo.com. Everyone 16 and older is encouraged to volunteer. Sign up online: <http://goo.gl/mOEtLx>.

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.

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.

Buy Some, Share One: You can support local food 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. We alternate our donations monthly to the Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) and Community Assistance Center (CAC). Your donations make a big difference!

Volunteers Needed to Provide Dinner: Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) provides transitional housing for homeless families; St. Luke's provides and delivers a meal once a 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.

Summer Missions

May 25-July 6 (any Sat.-Sat.) • **Guatemala**

Join a mission trip this summer with our partners at AIR-Guatemala. Individuals over 18 are welcome any Sat. to Sat., from May 25-July 6. 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!

June 14-21 • **Merida, Mexico**

A new partnership with Acción Ministries (friendsofaccion.org)! We need a team of 20 people who are committed to being very flexible and willing to shape our involvement with Acción for this first trip. 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!

July 17-19 • **Clinton, SC**

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 four session training program to equip active members for this ministry. Please contact Shannon Dill (shannondill@slpres.org) or Jim Giesler (jfgiesler@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.

SHARE

Come to **St. Luke's Men's Breakfast on May 10** at 8 a.m.—the last one before summer break. Breakfast is a mouth-watering Brid Igleheart special: homemade strawberry shortcake. Guest speaker David King will talk about one of our dynamic local missions: Family Promise—One Year Later. Treat yourself to this one hour energizer. Delicious food, excellent program, good Christian friends - always a fantastic combination! Make it happen! Contact Daryl Moore: (cell)404-993-6203; ddmoore@yahoo.com.

Christian Music Zumba meets Thursdays through May 29. 8:00-9:00 p.m. \$6 per class. 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 one more time before we break for the summer: **May 18**, from 5-6:30 p.m. in the FINCH Room (203). Want to know more about MEG? Join us for a summer cookout on Aug. 10th – watch for more details. Monthly meetings resume in Sep. Contact Kimey and Mark Reed: kimeyreed@gmail.com or 404-441-8614.

Special Mother's Day Offering on May 11: We will join with more than 200 Presbyterian churches in Georgia in support of the *Caring Hands Fund* for Presbyterian Homes of Georgia. For 65 years, our gifts have helped provide exceptional care and services for more than 400 elderly residents who have outlived their financial resources (primarily widows). Last year, the *Caring Hands Fund* provided more than \$3.5 million in benevolent care. This year you can scan your gift by phone, if you'd like – bring your smartphone to church on May 11 and scan the QR code.

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.

Pipe Organ Rebuilding: We are very excited that our sanctuary organ is undergoing a significant rebuilding this summer thanks to your financial support of the *Foundation for the Future* campaign. Robert Coulter Organbuilders of Atlanta has developed an exciting (yet cost effective) design, including a complete renovation of the organ console from analog to digital. This will greatly enhance our sanctuary worship and ensure that our fine instrument continues playing well into the future. Stop by the organ and talk to Clair about the details, any Sun. after 11:00 worship between now and Memorial Day weekend.

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 2 - June 5
Adventures in Art
from Camp Little Saints

June 9 - June 12
Weird Animals
Vacation Bible School

July 28 - August 2
Act Up! and the
Missoula Children's
Theatre Camp presents
"The Pied Piper"

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/):

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| 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 |

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

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

FINANCE SUMMARY

| Month: March 2014 | Actual | Budget | Variance |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Total Income | \$171,728.89 | \$165,965.86 | \$ 5,763.03 |
| Total Expenses | 159,337.72 | 162,947.49 | -3,609.77 |
| Net | \$ 12,391.17 | \$ 3,018.37 | \$ 9,372.80 |
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| Year-to-date, 3/31/2014 | Actual | Budget | Variance |
| Total Income | \$483,298.70 | \$478,752.73 | \$ 4,545.97 |
| Total Expenses | 428,631.20 | 426,228.33 | 2,402.87 |
| Net | \$ 54,667.50 | \$ 52,524.40 | \$ 2,143.10 |

Financial reports available online.

ATTENDANCE

| April 20 | Worship | Nursery | Visitors |
|-----------------|---------|---------|----------|
| 7:00 | 75 | – | |
| 8:30 | 244 | 22 | |
| 11:00 | 585 | 53 | 128 |

CHURCH STAFF

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| 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 |

ST. LUKE'S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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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 Woodside

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:

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