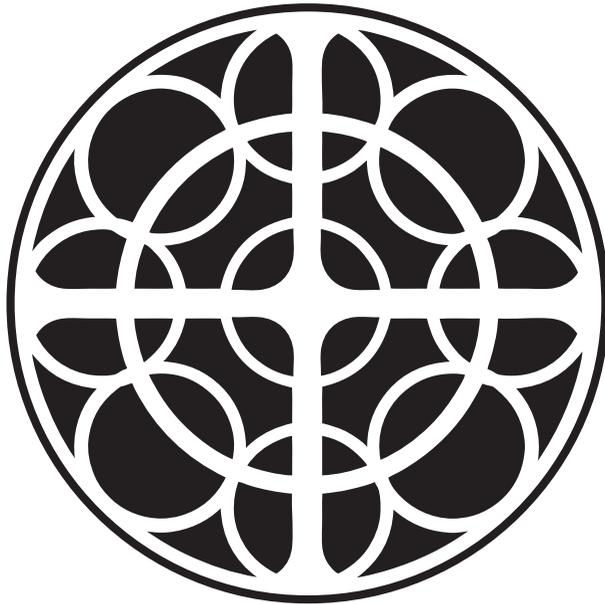


ST. LUKE'S

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



May 18, 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



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.

MAY 18, 2014 • 5TH 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.

Today's flowers are given for the glory of God and in honor of Parker Cutler and all St. Luke's High School graduating Seniors.

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Bob and Libba Ashworth's 60th wedding anniversary (May 15).

SERVING TODAY

Acolytes

SupervisorCailin Thelen

Bible Bearer.....Hannah Price

Candle LighterAllie Hearn

Crucifer.....Valentina Thelen

Nursery Supervisor Emily Ritzler

Chancel Guild..... Jared & Linda Elliot

GreeterDave Tharp

Ushers Bob, Daniel, and William Pile;

Laura and J.J. Singley

Continental Breakfast..... Meg Wallace

Sound Crew Jim Bryant

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 Jim Giesler, Elder Dave Tharp, 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

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. *1 Peter 2: 9-10*

Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Shannon Dill

Prelude

Scherzo on "Mit Freuden zart" / John Ferguson

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus said, I go and prepare a place for you, and I will come again.

People: Jesus said, I am the way, and the truth, and the light.

Leader: Jesus said, If you know me, you know God.

People: Jesus said, Believe in me, and "Follow me."

All: Come, let us worship God!

* Processional Hymn

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship / HOLY MANNA

(see page 6 of this bulletin for music)

Celebration of Community

Jason Whitener

Introduction of New Members

* Invitation to Confession & Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

* Prayer of Confession

Lord of abiding love and infinite patience, be with us this day. We have come from times of stress, difficulties, as well as times of hope and joy. We bring to You our concerns and our fears, and You offer Your healing mercies. We confess that we haven't thought a whole lot about You this week. We have let events and demands crowd You out of our thoughts and our actions; yet when we come to this, Your house, we again seek Your forgiveness for our blindness and apathy. Turn our lives around, Lord. Help us look again at the many ways in which You care for us. Help us be people who will share Your love with others. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen.

** Please stand*

* 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

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

Phil Brown

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

Psalms 31:1-5, 15-16 / page 478

Shawn Hamlin

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love / arr. Jeffrey Honoré
Festival Ringers

New Testament Reading

John 14:1-14 / page 102

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Paying Attention

Shannon Dill

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Affirmation of Faith

from *The Brief Statement of Faith* (PCUSA)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the

children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen

Offering & Offertory Hail, Gladdening Light! / Charles Wood Chancel Choir
Hail, gladdening light, of His pure glory poured, who is the immortal Father, heavenly blest. Holiest of holies Jesus Christ, our Lord. Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest, the lights of evening round us shine. We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine. Worthiest art Thou at all times to be sung with undefiled tongue, Son of our God, giver of life alone. Therefore, in all the world thy glories, Lord, they own. *Phos Hilaron*

*** 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 #422** God Whose Giving Knows No Ending / BEACH SPRING

*** Benediction**

*** Response** As You Leave This Place / Kelly Sloan Chancel Choir
May the Lord watch over you as you leave this place. May He walk along your side every step of the way, and take care of you, be there for you as you carry His message to the world. Be ever mindful of His presence and give thanks. Amen.

*** Postlude** Toccata on "Old Hundredth" / John Ferguson

WORSHIP NOTES: The Chancel Choir anthem is based on an ancient hymn originally written in Greek. It is the earliest known Christian hymn recorded outside of the Bible that is still in use today. The Benediction Response is a world premiere written by our own Kelly Sloan.

Processional Hymn

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship / HOLY MANNA

1 Breth-ren, we have met to wor-ship and a - dore the Lord our God.
 2 Sis - ters, will you come and help us? Mo - ses' sis - ter aid - ed him.
 3 Is there here a trem-bling jail-er, seek-ing grace and filled with fears?
 4 Let us love our God su - preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.

Will you pray with all your pow - er while we try to preach the word?
 Will you help the trem-bling mourn-ers who are strug-gling hard with sin?
 Is there here a weep-ing Mar - y pour-ing forth a flood of tears?
 Let us love and pray for sin - ners till our God makes all things new.

All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the ho - ly One comes down.
 Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior. Tell them that he will be found.
 Breth-ren, join your cries to help them; sis - ters, let your prayers a - bound!
 Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ta - ble we'll sit down.

Breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Pray, O pray, that ho - ly man - na will be scat-tered all a-round.
 Christ will gird him-self and serve us with sweet man-na all a-round.

Please welcome the following new members, presented during today's 11:00 Worship Service:

Alyson Cohen

2405 Kimbrough Court
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
Alyson.cohen@yahoo.com
Home: 770-392-9536
Cell: 678-429-7268

Daughter: Amanda
Deacon: Katherine Robeson

Daryl & Amy Gaitan

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Amy: 404-456-8552 / amymgaitan@yahoo.com

Children: Nina and Everett
Deacon: Michelle Vail

Robert & Sheri Mastin

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Sheri: 423-240-6393 / sherimastin@gmail.com

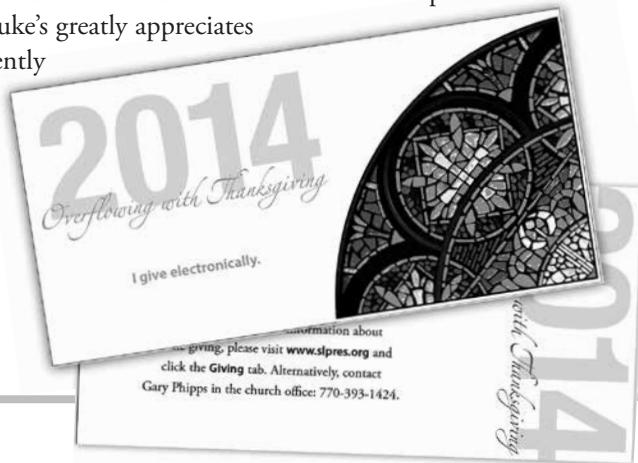
Children: Davis and Molly
Deacon: Michelle Vail

Dale & Amy Urban

1434 Cedarhurst Drive
Dunwoody, GA 30338
Dale: 404-725-3246 / daleburban@hotmail.com
Home/Amy: 404-409-2522 / amyjurban@gmail.com

Son: Quinn
Deacon: Katherine Robeson

Electronic Giving Cards have been created by the Worship and Commitment Committees for members to place in the plates during the Offering so that electronic givers can physically participate in that part of worship. The cards are available in the back of the chapel or in the narthex of the sanctuary. St. Luke's greatly appreciates all the members (nearly 30%) who presently give online, via pre-approved bank draft, or by credit card. This helps our finance committee with a steady income flow throughout the year. We encourage even more members to consider this option. Go to our website (www.slpres.org) and click on the "Giving" tab.



No Sunday School May 25, Memorial Day weekend.

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.

F.I.N.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.

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.

SPLASH! Children's Ministries

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

Weird Animals June 9-12, 9:15-12:30
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). **Campers and volunteers should register online: www.slpres.org.**

Pick a Snack from our Tree! Our Vacation Bible School leadership is requesting contributions for our "Critter Café," a learning and eating station that ties our daily snack back to the Bible Point. Our snack leaders have planted a very unusual tree in the main lobby and its branches are heavy with opportunities! Just pick a flower with the item you'd like to contribute, take it home as a reminder, and return it with your item by Sun., June 1. Thank you for feeding our "Weird Animals"!

Youth Connection (SLYC)

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

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

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

Open Choir Sundays: The Chancel Choir invites you to join us as we sing our final weeks before the summer months. Come to warm up at 10:30 a.m. in the choir room and sing for the 11:00 service on the following Sun. No experience is required to sit in the best seats in the house!

May 25: Blest Are They / David Haas

June 1: If You Search with All Your Heart / Craig Courtney

June 8: Love Divine / arr. Warren Angell

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.

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 Atl. 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.

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. 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 very flexible and willing to shape our involvement with Acción for this first trip. 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.

SERVE

Helping Hands: Could you use your time and talent to assist someone in the congregation? This ministry matches short term needs (like setting up a computer, driving a member to an appointment, helping change light bulbs) with available resources. If you can help, contact Billy Martin: billybeer214@yahoo.com / 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.

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.

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! Please contact Shannon Dill (shannondill@slpres.org) or Jim Giesler (jfgiesler@comcast.net) to be included in the training program for this new ministry.

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 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 June 27 and July 27.**

SHARE

Marriage Enrichment Group (MEG) meets tonight, **May 18**, from 5-6:30 p.m. in the FINCH Room (203). 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.

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.

OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors): Join us on Tues., May 27 at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and fun! *Sentimental Journey*, an acapella barbershop quartet, will provide us with music and entertainment to make us smile and relive those good memories. See you there!

St. Luke's Prayer Room

After each worship service, a specially-trained Stephen Minister is available in the prayer room opposite the Chapel to meet with any adult in need of a listening ear. Our team of 17 leaders and ministers share this opportunity. While the Stephen Ministry team feels a very strong bond with this valued piece of “real estate,” by no means does it belong only to us! Have you ever considered using the prayer room when you seek time for personal reflection or prayer? In the room you will find carefully selected reading materials, many to take with you. The beautifully lit stained glass promotes a peaceful feeling you might not find elsewhere. While it is exciting to see large groups gathering at St. Luke's for the many programs we offer, how wonderful there is also this space to meet individual needs. We encourage you to seek out this private place for your personal use.

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”

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

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.

ATTENDANCE

May 11	Worship	Nursery	Visitors
8:30	82	1	2
11:00	360	24	41

FINANCE SUMMARY

<i>Month: April 2014</i>	Actual	Budget	Variance
Total Income	\$109,175.15	\$119,476.92	- \$10,301.77
Total Expenses	137,952.65	134,130.89	3,821.76
Net	- \$ 28,777.50	- \$ 14,653.97	- \$14,123.53

<i>Year-to-date: 4/30/2014</i>	Actual	Budget	Variance
Total Income	\$592,473.85	\$598,229.65	- \$ 5,755.80
Total Expenses	566,583.85	560,359.22	6,224.63
Net	\$ 25,890.00	\$ 37,870.43	- \$11,980.43

Financial reports available online.

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

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

ELDERS

Class of 2014:

Tricia Bridges, Jim Bryant,
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Parker Cutler (Youth Elder),
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David King, Dick Miller, John Ray

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Mark Reed, Chris Wiseman,
Chris Wallace, Les Woodside

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Tom Loftis, David McKenney,
Wayne Radloff, Mark Ryan,
David Tharp, Allison Thornton

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Gena Spears, Taylor Vivian,
Krissy Williams

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