

# ST. LUKE'S

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



July 20, 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:** Saint 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.

JULY 20TH, 2014 • 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

*Green is used to represent spiritual growth.*

*Flowers are given, in love, to the Glory of God and in honor of the Whitener family. We will miss you, go in God's graces.*

## SERVING TODAY

**Nursery Supervisor** ..... Amanda Dunnick

**Chancel Guild**..... John & Ellen Massey

**Ushers** ..... Katherine Robeson, Captain  
Kara Brown; Don, Maddie & Callie Dill

**Continental Breakfast**..... Louise Lewis

**Sound Crew** ..... Brad Troha

**Open/Close**..... Steve Klein

## 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 Sarah Caverhill, Elder Chris Wallace, 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 Saint Luke's member, Cindy Nunez.
3. If you are interested in learning more about Saint Luke's or are interested in joining, please contact one of our pastors at 770.393.1424.

## In Preparation for Worship

Gracious God, You have searched us and known us. You, indeed, discern our thoughts from afar. You lead us in the way everlasting as we gather to bless You for Your bountiful mercy, for the compassion and care You extend to us. You surround us with a mantle that protects us from danger; our breastplate is Your righteousness fulfilled in Christ Jesus. You are our shield and defender, our hope and our comfort. We give You all praise as we assemble in Christ's name. Amen.

## Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Jason Whitener

### Prelude

O Worship the King / arr. Bruce Greer

### \* Call to Worship

Psalm 139

Leader: O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You discern my thoughts from far away.

**People: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Leader: Where can I go from Your spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?

**People: Search me, O God, and know my heart. See if there is any wicked way in me and lead me in the way everlasting.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

### \* Hymn #442

The Church's One Foundation / AURELIA

## Celebration of Community

Shannon Dill

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

**We confess, O God, that our lives are a mixture of weeds and good seeds. The weeds choke us and limit our will to respond. We admire the good seeds and want to nourish them. When the harvest comes, we know that the good seed will be kept and all else will be judged unfit for Your realm. Christ have mercy upon us as we learn of Your will. Give us guidance and determination as we obey Your command. Forgive our misplaced allegiance when we settle for weeds. May we broadcast the landscape with the good seed of Your Word. 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.**

**The Sacrament of Baptism**

John "Jack" Edward Wright

Jason Whitener

Samuel "Sam" Christian Wright

Parents: Allison & Matt Wright

As we welcome Jack and Sam into our church family, their older brothers Matthew and Will, and Grandparents John & Linda Wright and Ed & Donna Weseman are also here to help celebrate this special occasion.

\* Affirmation of Faith

The 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.)*

**Response Hymn #492**

Baptized in Water / BUNESSAN

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

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Jack and Sam into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support them, to share the good news of the gospel with them, and to help them know and follow Christ.**

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**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED**

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**Anthem**

Gaelic Blessing / John Rutter

Chancel Choir Ensemble

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. Deep peace of the gentle night to you; moon and stars pour their beaming light on you. Deep peace of Christ, the light of the world, to you.

**Tell Us Our Story**

Jason Whitener

We always encourage children to remain in worship. However, we currently provide child care for infants through young elementary children in the event that families wish to use it. All classes meet in Sheppard Hall, which is located just across the garden.

## Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Shannon Dill

**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 Corinthians 13 / page 164

David King

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

Imagine

Jason Whitener

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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## Offering & Offertory

He Is Our Peace / Kandela Groves / arr. Carol Tornquist

### \* 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

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## WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

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### \* Sending Hymn #438

Blest Be the Tie that Binds / DENNIS

### \* Benediction

### \* Postlude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee / arr. Carol Tornquist

**Immediately following this service,** please join us in the Great Hall for a reception honoring the Whitener family for their service to God's Kingdom here at Saint Luke's. The reception is hosted by the Fellowship Committee, HR Committee, and the PW Coordinating Team.

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## KNOW

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**Summer Sundaes: TODAY** and every Sunday in July at 6:30 p.m., join the Fellowship Committee at Saint Luke's for ice cream sundaes!

**After Summer Sundaes**, around 7:15 p.m., the chapel will be open for time to talk and pray. Elders, Deacons, and Shannon and Phil will be there to answer questions as best we can about what's going on, to listen, and most importantly, to pray together. Childcare will be provided in the Great Hall.

**We invite all "newer" members** who would like to get to know other members of Saint Luke's to join us on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in room 230. We will study *Making Sense of the Christian Faith*, through engaging conversation and exploration of the basic doctrines of the Christian faith. Please contact Shannon Dill (shannondill@slpres.org) with questions. Feel free to invite a friend!

**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.

### From the Choir Loft (Music Ministry)

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Contact Clair Maxwell: clairmaxwell@slpres.org, 770.393.1424 ext. 227

**Summer Music Sundays:** The choirs take a break over the summer, but music is still needed at the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services. If you play an instrument, take lessons, or sing, this is your chance to share your gifts with the congregation— all singers and instrumentalists are welcome and appreciated! Contact Clair Maxwell for more information.

**Pipe Organ Rebuilding:** 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 has developed an exciting 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 Sunday after 11:00 worship.

### Youth Connection (SLYC)

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Contact Phil Brown: philbrown@slpres.org, 770.393.1424 ext. 238

**August 17th:** Serve dinner at Druid Hills Night Shelter, Journey. More details to come.

**August 24th:** Saint Luke's Pancake Breakfast. More details to come.

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

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Contact Shannon Dill: shannondill@slpres.org, 770.393.1424 ext. 229

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

**F.I.N.C.H** (Room 203) We are not meeting in July. Please consider joining us in August.

**Seasons of the Spirit** (Room 231-233) A biblically-based discussion class following the revised common Lectionary.

**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.

**Soul Food** (Room 235) Finding Sustenance for Faithful Living: Fellowship, study and discussion on a range of topics related to spirituality in our lives.

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## SPLASH! Children's Ministries

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Contact Catherine Anne Thomas: cathomas@slpres.org, 770.393.1424 ext. 228

**Weird Sunday Mornings return in August.** The "Amazing Animals" (three's, PreK, and K) will gather in Rm. 120 to explore the animals in some of our favorite Bible stories. First through fifth graders will gather in the Great Hall for "Weird Animal Games." Each of these classes will require **two adult volunteers each week**. If you can help, please sign up on <http://goo.gl/uMnk0k> and tell us which Sun. and which class, we'll do the rest!

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**Aug. 10: Blessing of the Backpacks** Bring your children's backpacks to church for a back-to-school blessing! We are also collecting and blessing donations of backpacks and school supplies for the Community Assistance Center. Your donation helps kids in our community get the school year off to a good start. The most needed items are three-ring binders, notebook paper, and composition books, but there are lots of other needs. A complete list can be found on the CAC web site: [www.ourcac.org](http://www.ourcac.org). Thank you!

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## SHARE

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**Christian Music Zumba** is a fun way to get fit! Thursdays: 7-8:00 p.m.; \$6 per class. Contact Chris Wallace: clw7324@comcast.net, 770.395.7324.

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**Tai Chi** for strength, flexibility and balance: Tues. and Thurs. 12:30-1:30 p.m.; \$10 per class. Contact Sam Evans: educcons@aol.com, 678.650.2399.

**Marriage Enrichment Group's Summer Cookout**  
Want to know more about M.E.G.? Join us for a cookout at the home of Mark & Kimey Reed on **Aug. 10 at 5:30 p.m.** Call or email for details: kimeyreed@gmail.com / 404.441.8614.

**Baby shower for Phil and Kara Brown, Aug. 3**, after the 11:00 worship service. Join us in the Great Hall to joyfully celebrate the upcoming arrival of Baby Brown! For those who have been asking, their baby registries can be found at: <http://babyli.st/kara-phil-and-phil-brown>. For questions about the reception, contact Faye Cashwell: 770.409.1960.

**Summer Mom's Group** Don't let summertime keep you from Christian fellowship, fun and learning! Our popular Moms' Group will meet from 10-11 a.m. on July 23, with child care and fun activities for the little ones (please RSVP for child care). Contact Shannon Dill (shannondill@slpres.org) for more information.

**Through a generous church family member**, Saint Luke's has created a scholarship for graduating seniors in the amount of \$2,500. This year, an additional \$2,500 scholarship is also available. The scholarships are open to children and grandchildren of Saint Luke's members. If you are interested, you can pick up an application in the church office or contact Scholarship Chairman, Paula Barbin: 678.297.9877 or barbin@fulton.k12.ga.us. **The deadline for applications is Aug. 1, 2014.**

**Did you know** 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. Call Celeste Fischer: 404.434.8099 or Faye Cashwell: 770.409.1960.

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**Take a vacation from your problems.** Easier said than done. Your Stephen Ministers are available any day or any week or any season you might be in need. If you would benefit from a listening ear please contact either Shannon Dill or Laura Strange, our Stephen Leaders for a referral. Summer can be a wonderful season of rest and renewal. It is our hope we can help provide this for you.

**Electronic Giving Cards** are available in the back of the chapel or in the narthex of the sanctuary for members to place in the Offering plates so they can physically participate in that part of worship. The Saint Luke's Finance Committee appreciates online contributions because it helps provide a more steady income flow throughout the year. Go to our website ([www.slpres.org](http://www.slpres.org)) and click on the "Giving" tab to find out more.

**Time for Summer Vacation Photos!** Each summer Saint Luke's features vacation photos of our members and friends on the lobby screens, and we'd love to include you! Please send us a couple of your best vacation shots, preferably with **you** in the picture. Photos should be high quality jpeg format; email Roby Price ([robypri@sllpres.org](mailto:robypri@sllpres.org)) or drop off a thumb drive or disc at the office.

We are excited to announce that starting Sept. 8, Saint Luke's will be hosting **A.S.K. (After School Kids)**, a weekly Bible study for kids (K-5th) of different backgrounds, churches and degrees of Bible knowledge. A.S.K. students and volunteers will be here on Mondays, 3:15-4:45 p.m., for 10 weeks. Contact Tricia Baynton: [tbaynton@comcast.net](mailto:tbaynton@comcast.net) / 678.571.7624 for more info.

**Men's Breakfast: let the season begin!** Tony Barnhart will be with us on Aug. 9, 8 a.m., to feed our appetite for predictions on college football's winners for the 2014-2015 season. This season should prove to be especially significant with the launch of the college football playoff series. The warmup to Tony's message will be a hearty, delicious breakfast that is sure to please. Put on your college colors, bring your guests and treat yourself to this one hour kick-start to your day and to the upcoming "Season". Questions? Contact Daryl Moore: (H)770.395.6278 / (M)404.993.6203 / [ddmoore@yahoo.com](mailto:ddmoore@yahoo.com) .

**SporTots** Summer Camp is at Saint Luke's for the following weeks ([sportots.com/slpres/](http://sportots.com/slpres/)): Aug. 4-8, Aug. 11-15, Aug. 18-22, Aug. 25-28.

### Faith & Film

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Faith & Film meets the 3rd Friday of each month. It's an informal opportunity for adults of all ages to watch great movies and explore their own faith through the lens of today's film culture—bring a friend! A potluck dinner is served at 7 p.m. and the movie starts at 7:45 p.m. in room 207. If you plan to attend and would like help with food, please RSVP to Cindy or Josh Nunez at [breakingbread14@gmail.com](mailto:breakingbread14@gmail.com) or 678-230-1236.

### Coming Soon:

August 15. . . . . *The Book Thief*, PG-13 / 2013  
September 19 . . . *Keeping the Faith*, PG-13 / 2000  
October 17. . . . . *Life of Pi*, PG / 2012  
November 21 . . . . . *Soul Surfer*, PG / 2011  
December 19 . . . *The Christmas Choir*, NR / 2008

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## SERVE

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**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'd like to help, contact Rebecca Strickland: rebstrick@gmail.com, 404.664.5392. If you need the Helping Hands team, contact your Deacon.

**Serve your church with your smile:** be a greeter! Please sign up on <http://goo.gl/XtWrDn> or contact Meg Wallace: megwallace24@gmail.com, 404.293.1328. **Saint Luke's also needs ushers!** Questions? Contact John Tienken: 770.394.1104, tienkenj@gmail.com.

**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!

**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 Saint 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 , 678.297.9877.

**Get together for breakfast** 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://goo.gl/GevLpf> or contact Meg Wallace: megwallace24@gmail.com, 404.293.1328.

**A new ministry!** If a member has been less active at church for a time, they often find it difficult to reengage. Whatever the circumstances, we want everyone to know that the door at Saint Luke's is always open! **Our first training class will begin Aug. 3, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.** Please RSVP to Shannon (shannondill@slpres.org) if you plan to attend.

**Looking for a great way to serve your church family?** Saint 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: kcwills7104@yahoo.com.

Join us for a **Family Promise informational/training meeting** in the session room (Rm. 109) on **Sun., July 20, 5:30-6:30 p.m.** Pizza, salad and drinks provided. Children are welcome. Contact Beth Underhill (bunderhill.mail@gmail.com) with questions.

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

**Matt & Erin Magee**  
6637 Ridge Moore Drive  
Atlanta, GA 30360  
erinmagee@live.com  
Home: 770.393.8281  
Erin Cell: 404.840.4037

Children: Aiden & Liam  
Deacon: Niki Rabren

*(use this space to record your personal reflections)*

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## ATTENDANCE

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July 13	Worship	Nursery	Visitors
8:30	63	2	2
11:00	277	24	30

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## FINANCE SUMMARY

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<i>Month: June 2014</i>	Actual	Budget	Variance
Total Income	\$127,331	\$112,209	\$15,122
Total Expenses	130,095	129,114	981
<b>Net</b>	- \$ 2,764	- \$ 16,905	\$14,141

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<i>Year-to-date: 6/30/2014</i>	Actual	Budget	Variance
Total Income	\$838,861	\$814,153	\$24,708
Total Expenses	841,734	830,576	11,158
<b>Net</b>	- \$ 2,873	- \$ 16,423	\$13,550

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*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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## ST. LUKE'S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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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 2015:

Jennie Burroughs, Jared Elliot,  
Samantha Holley (*youth*),  
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 (*Clerk*), Mark Ryan,  
David Tharp, Allison Thornton

### Class of 2017:

Candy Cox, John Eagar, Saralyn Hill,  
Brian Lamb, TJ McGoldrick,  
Donna Nall, Gary Phipps,  
Pete Shelton

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## DEACONS

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### Class of 2015:

Maria Barnhart, Matt Biggerstaff,  
Sarah Caverhill, Peter Keohane,  
Julie Knotts, Billy Martin (*Moderator*),  
Jack McKenney (*youth*), 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

### Class of 2017:

Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Kruse,  
Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,  
Sharon Polensek, Tom Schapp,  
Barry Smith, Keith Williams,  
Russell Wolfe