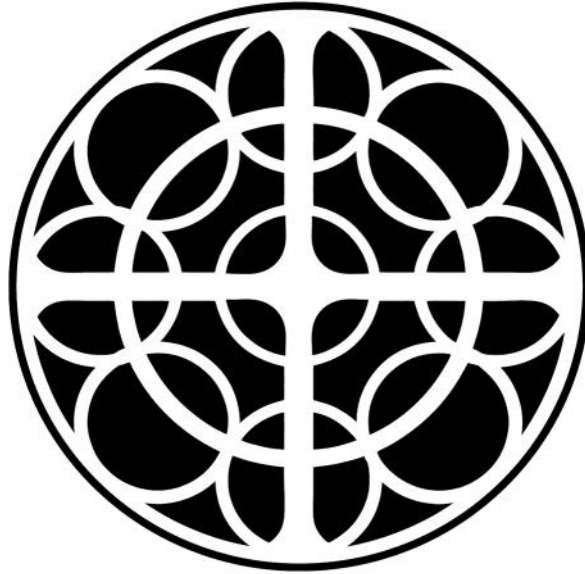


# ST. LUKE'S

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



11 a.m. ~ September 1, 2013

Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Liturgical Color: White

A Church of the Word and Sacraments

**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.*

## We Assemble in God's Name

### In Preparation for Worship

*"A proud man is always looking down on things and people; and, of course, as long as you are looking down, you cannot see something that is above you."* C. S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

### Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Shannon Dill

### Prelude

*Where Charity and Love Prevail*

Mark Roberts

### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 81

Leader: Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

**People: To the LORD our God, Who brought us up out of the land of Egypt.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

### †\*Processional Hymn #332

*Live Into Hope*

TRURO

### Celebration of Community

Phil Brown

### \*Invitation to Confession

*Change My Heart, O God*

CHANGE MY HEART

**(see music on page 5)**

### \*Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

### \*Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Great and wonderful God, we come conscious of our own sinfulness, but rejoicing in Your mercy, all too aware of our unworthiness, yet celebrating Your awesome forgiveness. For all the ways we have failed to live as Your people: forgive us. Lead us closer to You and teach us Your will, so that what we say with our lips we may truly practice in our lives, to the glory of Your name. 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.**

### Tell Us Our Story

Phil Brown

Children are always welcome to stay in worship.

However, if you prefer, parents of children through age 3 may take them to the nursery.

## Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

(Parents may return to their seats following The Lord's Prayer.)

## We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

Old Testament Reading	<i>Isaiah 58:6-9</i> Page 638	Sally Shelton
	Leader: The Word of the Lord. <b>People: Thanks be to God.</b>	
New Testament Reading	<i>Luke 14:1, 7-14</i> Pages 907-908	Shannon Dill
	Leader: The Word of the Lord. <b>People: Thanks be to God.</b>	
Sermon	<i>"Priority Seating"</i>	Shannon Dill

## We Respond to God's Word

### \*Nicene Creed (in unison)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified. Who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Offering & Offertory	<i>Blessed Assurance</i>	arr. Bruce Jones
	Steve Cashwell, Beth Eisenmesser, Bruce Jones - trio	

### \*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.**

## The Lord's Supper

When coming forward for Communion, please kneel at the closest available space to the center aisle. If you would like to be served where you are sitting, please raise your hand as the communion servers come down the center aisle and you will be served by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup). Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. Children who have discussed the sacrament with their parents and/or a pastor are welcome. A server with gluten-free bread will be standing toward the center aisle on the pulpit side of the communion rail. If you prefer gluten-free bread, please indicate your preference to this server. Parents, please note the center rings of the communion are filled with wine. Only the outer ring is filled with grape juice.

### Communion Music

The congregation is asked to sing the following hymns:

#### *Glorify Thy Name*

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You, glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You, glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Spirit, we love You, we worship and adore You, glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name in all the earth.

#### *As the Deer*

As the deer pants for the water so my soul longs after You. You alone are my hearts desire and I long to worship You. You alone are my strength, my shield; to You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship You.

#### *Give Thanks*

Give Thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, Give Thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us."

#### *God is So Good*

God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, God's so good to me.  
God cares for me, God cares for me, God cares for me, God's so good to me.  
God loves me so, God loves me so, God loves me so, God's so good to me.  
God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, God's so good to me.

#### *I Love You, Lord*

I love You Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, O my soul rejoice. Take joy, my King, in what You hear, may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

#### *Lord, Be Glorified*

In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.  
In our homes, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.  
In Your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.  
In Your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.

# We Go in God's Name

\*Sending Hymn #335

*Though I May Speak*

O WALY WALY

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*Allegro Moderato*

George F. Handel

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We would like to thank Jill Hudson for playing the organ for our worship service this morning.

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*Change My Heart, O God*

CHANGE MY HEART

Change my heart, O God, \_ make it ev-er true. \_  
\_ Change my heart, O God, \_  
may I be like you. \_ You are the  
Pot - ter, I am the clay. \_  
Mold me and make me, this is what I  
pray. Change my heart, O God, \_  
make it ev-er true. \_ Change my heart, O God, \_  
\_ may I be like you. \_

WORDS: Eddie Espinosa (Isa. 64:8)  
MUSIC: Eddie Espinosa  
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CHANGE MY HEART  
Irregular

## Serving Today

**Acolytes:** Crucifer: Scott Whitener, Candle Lighter: Thomas Rice,  
Bible Bearer: Hannah Price, Bell Ringer: Andrew Rice

**Chancel Guild:** Amy & George Stewart

**Communion Servers:** John Bradley, Dave Elkins - captain,  
Lucy & Ken Painter, Sally & Dwight Shelton

**Continental Breakfast:** Gena, Mike & Ben Spears

**Greeters:** Ted Guerrant & Tom McIntosh

**Open/Close:** Miles Young      **Sound Crew:** Jim Bryant

**Ushers:** Jack Fields - captain, Ellen & John Massey, Edna & Jim Schell

We would like to thank Andrew Rice for being our Bell Ringer last Sunday.

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**Mountain TOP Mission Weekends:** Mountain TOP adult mission weekends are approaching! Opportunities are available every weekend (Thursday - Sunday) in October and the first weekend in November. We have a group attending the November weekend (October 31 - November 3), and will also organize other weekends depending on interest. Please contact Shannon (shannondill@slpres.org) for more information or to register.

**Church Office Closed:** The church office will be closed **Monday, September 2** for Labor Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, September 3 at 8:30 a.m.

**Fall Pancake Breakfast and CE Kick-Off: Sunday, September 8,** come eat pancakes together and say hello to fall. Our breakfast starts at 9:20 a.m. in Great Hall. You can then learn more about our fall Christian Education offerings for all ages. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted.

**Young Adults:** The first fall Young Adult get together will be on **Thursday, September 12,** at the home of Phil and Kara Brown, (2451 Northlake Court NE, Atlanta, GA 30345), from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Dinner will be provided. We will gather, talk about our year ahead and then have a low-key discussion. Except for September, we will meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month at someone's house from 7:00-8:30 p.m. with dinner and discussion. Please email Morgane Hardy (morgan\_hardy@hotmail.fr) or Katherine Robeson (krobeson@gmail.com) for more information.

**FEAST for ALL!** Register now for our Wednesday night fellowship and learning program, which begins September 18. Please leave your completed registration form and payment in the picnic basket in Sheppard Hall or in Liz Catlett's mailbox by **Sunday, September 15.** Note the family dinner deal! More details are in the brochures which can be found on our website, [www.slpres.org](http://www.slpres.org), in the lobby, in the narthex, or in the Sheppard Hall lobby. Don't forget you can also sign up weekly on the blue pew cards, or call Sally Hawkins in the church office by noon on Monday.

**Boy Scout Annual Popcorn Fundraiser:** Troop 764's annual popcorn fundraiser will be held at St. Luke's on September 15, 22 and 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the lobby and courtyard. The Scouts will be selling three varieties - traditional favorites such as caramel and cheese popcorn, as well as some new flavors - buffalo cheddar cheese, jalapeño cheddar cheese, and dark and white chocolate drizzle. They will also be accepting donations to send popcorn to the troops. Popcorn is a great after-school snack and makes wonderful Christmas gifts. Questions? Contact Donna Mason at 770-698-9147 or [donna.mason@me.com](mailto:donna.mason@me.com). Thanks in advance for supporting our Scouts!

**Blood Drive Sunday, September 22:** On Sunday, September 22, we will host LifeSouth for a blood drive from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Great Hall. Remember to bring a photo ID and drink plenty of fluids (avoid caffeine) before you donate. We need to collect at least 18 pints. Questions? Contact Patsy Bradley at 770-394-5383.

**Flu Shots:** CVS will offer the flu shot at St. Luke's on Wednesday, September 25, noon to 6 p.m. in the Session Room, #109. You must be 13 years old or older. Medicare and many insurance companies completely cover this fee, which is \$30. Sign up in the lobby and include your name, phone number, and email address. CVS will try to contact you ahead of time for pre-certification. Everyone who gets the shot will receive a 20% off coupon for CVS. Questions? Contact Bonnie Farrar on Thursdays or Fridays at 770-393-1424, or [bonniefarrar@slpres.org](mailto:bonniefarrar@slpres.org).

## KNOW

**Mom's Group Fall Study:** For moms of infants through elementary age and beyond. We will meet every Wednesday from 10 - 11 a.m., September 18 through November 6. Childcare is available with a reservation. **Contact Shannon Dill, [shannondill@slpres.org](mailto:shannondill@slpres.org), to register!**

**Men's Bible Study:** Meets every Friday, year round, 6:40 - 8 a.m. in the Parlor, Room 145, and is led by Dave Elkins. Gather with other men before you start your day to share in Bible study and fellowship. We are studying First John.

**Disciple Bible Study Groups:** Open to men and women of all ages who would like to know more about the Bible and share this experience with others. You are invited to be a part of this weekly group beginning in the fall and let the Bible become *your* story. Questions? Contact Shannon Dill at [shanondill@slpres.org](mailto:shanondill@slpres.org) or 770-393-1424, ext. 229.

**Disciple: "Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study"**. We will meet Thursdays, 7-9 p.m. for 34 weeks beginning September 12. Led by Paula Barbin, the course materials are \$38. This study is an overview of the entire Bible.

**Disciple: "Remember Who You Are: The Prophets and The Letters of Paul"**. We will meet Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m. for 32 weeks starting September 10. Led by Carol Sweigert and Sandra Clay, the materials are \$38. We will read the major and minor Old Testament prophets and the thirteen letters attributed to Paul. Several themes weave their way through the study - the call to remember, the call to repent, the need for renewed vision, and the place of community.

**Disciple: "Christian Believer: Knowing God with Heart and Mind"**. We will meet Mondays, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Led by Phil Brown, materials are \$37. We will see that Christians before us have wrestled with some of the same issues of belief that Christians wrestle with today. We will pick up this study half-way through the book, as it was started last fall, and we will go at our own pace. Join us for the second half - we promise you will not be lost!

**Let's start the fall with some new books!** *Talking with My Father: Jesus Teaches on Prayer* by Ray C. Stedman will interest adults and the children will love these Bible stories "retold for children": *Jacob and Esau* by Mary Auld, *King Solomon* by Maxine Nodel, and *God's People: Stories from the Old Testament* by Geraldine McCaughrean. We also have a new fun, musical book: *All God's Critters Got a Place in the Choir* with words and music by Bill Staines and illustrations by Margot Zemach.

**Cursillo:** The next Cursillo Weekend is **Thursday, October 31 through Sunday, November 3, 2013** at the Pinnacle Retreat Center in Clayton, Georgia. What is Cursillo? Cursillo (cur-see-yo) is a Spanish word that can be translated as "a short course." Presbyterian Cursillo is a three-day, lay-led spiritual renewal weekend that presents a short course in living life in Christ. Its purpose is to help Christians become more deeply rooted in their faith by focusing on God's unconditional love and Christ's call to service. Cursillo is 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. Georgia Presbyterian Cursillo is an outgrowth of a world-wide Cursillo movement that is active today in the Roman Catholic, Methodist, Episcopal, and Lutheran churches as well as the Presbyterian Church. Contact: Debi ([debi.elkins@att.net](mailto:debi.elkins@att.net)) and Dave Elkins ([d.elkins@att.net](mailto:d.elkins@att.net)) at 770-458-6415; or anyone at SLPC who has attended. Their website has more information about the Cursillo weekend, applications, the location and facilities: [www.georgiapresbyteriancursillo.com](http://www.georgiapresbyteriancursillo.com).

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

**Next week is Christian Education Kick-Off.** Join us in the Great Hall for a pancake breakfast prepared and served by our youth. Breakfast starts at 9:20 a.m., then you can learn more about our fall offerings. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted. Here is the line-up of classes which will be offered this fall:

**Faith Foundations, Room 232**

**FINCH (Families in Christ), Room 203**

**The New Testament - The Historical Jesus, Room 145, Parlor**

**Seasons of the Spirit, Room 231-233**

**Soul Food, Room 235**

St. Luke's Presbyterian Women (SLPW)

PW is gearing up for the fall. The cost is \$50 and all women are invited to join. Ellen Womack is Moderator this year and looks forward to meeting and welcoming you to a great year! Stop by the PW table in the lobby and learn more about St. Luke's Presbyterian Women.

**Coordinating Team Meeting:** Tuesday, September 3, 6:45 p.m. in the Parlor, Room 145, with a light dinner.

**Circle Meetings** (All Circle meetings are held in the Parlor, Room 145.)

Monday, September 9, 9:30-11 a.m. (Child care is available for this circle.)

Monday, September 9, 7:30-9 p.m.

Tuesday, September 10, 9:30-11 a.m.

Circle item for February: Snacks for the St. Luke's Little Saints Preschool. The book study will be an introduction to "Namesake: When God Rewrites Your Story" by Jessica LaGrone.

Youth Connection (SLYC)

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

**Upcoming Events for All Youth:**

1. Pancake breakfast/youth kick-off will be **September 8**.
2. **Youth Connect:** 5-7 p.m. Our first Sunday night will be **September 15**, with a parent and youth potluck evening. Youth will have fun playing; parents will get all the info for the year.
3. **Youth Choir:** Resumes **September 15**, 7-8 p.m.

SPLASH! Children's Ministries

**Sunday, September 8:** Come eat pancakes and sign up for fall classes! All kids whose parents complete a SPLASH! Authorization Form will receive a SPLASHlight! We'll also have a Photo Booth where children of all ages can get their pictures taken for our SPLASH! Kids Walls of Fame around Sheppard Hall.

**Sunday, September 15:** Join us on the first day of NEW classes! Ages 3, 4, & 5 will gather in Room 120 for Godly Play. First-graders through fifth-graders will gather on the Dock for welcome and worship, then split up for age-level Holy Moly and Connect lessons.

**Wednesday, September 18:** FEAST for ALL Begins! Tons of new faith adventures await all ages. Register now! Forms are available at church and on our web site. Return to Liz Catlett in Christian Education.

**Needed:**

- one adult helper for our FEAST elementary "What's in the Bible?" class...we have all our small group leaders, but just need someone for extra support each week and back-up in case a leader is absent.



- two adult teachers for first grade Holy Moly Sunday School
- one adult Shepherd for second/third grade Holy Moly Sunday School
- one fourth/fifth grade shepherd for Connect Sunday School.

Please contact [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org) if you can help with any of these smile-producing jobs.

## SHARE

**Last Sunday, St. Luke's Church welcomed 32 guests to its worship services.** Each Sunday, many of our pews will have a first-time or repeat visitor. Your warm welcome to our guests expresses the inviting and hospitable character of this congregation. Your smile and welcoming word make a difference.

**Invite a friend to St. Luke's!** *"And if someone asks about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it. But do this in a gentle and respectful way."* 1 Peter 3:15 (NLT) Do you have a friend, neighbor, colleague, or family member you would like to introduce to St. Luke's Presbyterian Church? Newcomers usually visit for the first time because someone personally invited them, so please consider who in your life would welcome an invitation to explore their faith in this community. If you know someone who might appreciate a personal invitation from a pastor, contact Shirley Carrier in the church office at [shirleycarrier@slpres.org](mailto:shirleycarrier@slpres.org) or 770-393-1424, ext. 225. Let's make our vision a reality and become a beacon of faith, hope and love - every member an active disciple in Christ's ministry.

**Jobs & Java - St. Luke's Job Seekers Support Group:** Next meeting, **Tuesday, September 3**, at noon in Room 230 for networking and support. For information, contact Jim Garrison, [jimgarrison@mindspring.com](mailto:jimgarrison@mindspring.com), or Jared Elliot, [jared.elliott@att.net](mailto:jared.elliott@att.net).

**St. Luke's Men's Golf Fellowship (SLMGF):** We meet the first and third Saturdays of the month (March-November) for golf and fellowship. The next date is **September 7**. Sign-up at [st-lukes-golf@att.net](mailto:st-lukes-golf@att.net) and provide an email address and your cell phone number. Contact is Dave Elkins at [d.elkins@att.net](mailto:d.elkins@att.net) or 770-458-6415.

**Men's Breakfast - September 14:** Make sure you attend St. Luke's Men's Breakfast on September 14 at 8 a.m.! Jason, Shannon, Phil and Clair will be here to fill us in on the state of the Church - not just any church - St. Luke's Presbyterian Church. Although we may have a sense of what is happening at St. Luke's, having our ministerial staff members give us their perspective in this informal setting is very special. We are sure to be inspired as well as entertained while we feast on a delicious breakfast. If you would like to list more than one email address, or have suggestions, etc., please contact Daryl Moore at [ddmoore@yahoo.com](mailto:ddmoore@yahoo.com), (H) 770-395-6278, or (C) 404-993-6203

**Marriage Enrichment Group Monthly Meetings:** Mark your calendars for the third Sunday of the month for our group meetings. Our fall schedule is **September 15**, October 20, and November 17 from 5 to 6:30 p.m., starting in Room 203. Child care provided. New couples or couples with questions may contact Kimey and Mark Reed at [kimeyreed@gmail.com](mailto:kimeyreed@gmail.com) or 404-441-8614.

**Faith & Film, and Potluck Dinner, Friday, September 20:** All adults are welcome to join us for a potluck dinner and movie in Room 207 in Sheppard Hall (Senior High Room). Dinner starts at 7 p.m. and the movie starts at 7:45 p.m. We will be watching *Gifted Hands: The Ben Carson Story*. Please RSVP at [connie@salesfitness.com](mailto:connie@salesfitness.com) to let Connie and Nick Nicholson know that you are coming and if you would like to help with food

**OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving, Seniors, 55+):** The OWLS will kick off their fall gatherings on **Tuesday, September 24**, 11:30 to 1 p.m., in the Great Hall. Cost for lunch is \$7. Lee Dunn will be with us as she shares the story of "The Mystery of the Lost Civil War Sword." It should be an interesting and enjoyable gathering! Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet on the lobby bulletin board. Mark your calendars!

**Stephen Ministry:** Whether you are involved at this time in your life with school age children or not, the beginning of a new school year and cooler weather always brings change in our lives. Change is good. Seek out a Stephen Minister if meeting with a compassionate listener might comfort you. A weekly confidential meeting might help bring about a good change for you! Shannon Dill or Laura Strange, Stephen Leaders are the referrals coordinators.

**The Worship Exploratory Task Force Committee wants to hear from you!** We are engaged in ongoing discussions on how we can better serve our congregants in worship. Please contact a member of the committee or Bruce Jones - chair, stratocaster2@comcast.net or 404-304-5346, with your comments, concerns, and suggestions. Members of the committee are Mary Louise Connor, Parker Cutler, Debi Elkins, Jim Giesler, Jill Hudson, Tom Loftis, Clair Maxwell, Wendy Moreland, Paula Morris, Roby Price, Kimey Reed, Edna Schell, Jim Schell and Jason Whitener.

**College Students:** Please make sure the church office has your college mailing address, cell phone number, and correct email. We want to stay connected, so please send this information to Liz Catlett at [lizcatlett@slpres.org](mailto:lizcatlett@slpres.org).

**PALS Fall 2013:** Perimeter Adult Learning & Services is registering now for their fall Monday classes – Lunch ‘n Learn. They will be at Dunwoody Baptist Church, Mondays, September 9-October 28, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The green registration forms (with class listings) can be found in the lobby kiosk or go to their website, [www.palsonline.org](http://www.palsonline.org).

### *From the Choir Loft*

**Handbell Workshop, Wednesday, September 4, 6-7:30 p.m.** For all who would like an introduction to basic bell ringing or a brush-up on their handbell skills, join us for a Handbell Workshop in the Bell Room. If you have thought about trying bell ringing, come on and give it a ring! Please let Clair know if you plan to attend, [clairmaxwell@slpres.org](mailto:clairmaxwell@slpres.org) or 770-393-1424, ext. 227.

**Chancel Choir Fall Kick-off Party:** Please come join the Chancel Choir at an open house at the home of Kay Loerch, 4821 Summerset Lane, Dunwoody, on **Sunday, September 8 at 6 p.m.** If you have ever thought about joining the choir, please come by to meet everyone. New members are always welcomed!

**Pedals, Pipes & Pizza, Wednesday, September 11, 5:30-7 p.m.** Clair Maxwell leads this informative and engaging event for all ages interested in learning more about the pipe organs at St. Luke's. We will see a short video about the instrument, have a hands-on opportunity to play both our Chapel and Sanctuary organs, participate in an organ crawl to see how they are constructed, and, eat PIZZA! If you would like participate, please let us know by Monday, September 9, so we will know who will be attending this unique event. RSVP to Clair, [clairmaxwell@slpres.org](mailto:clairmaxwell@slpres.org).

### **Choirs Gearing Up for the Fall:**

**Chancel Choir (youth & adults)** resumes rehearsal on Wednesday, September 4, 7:30-9 p.m.

**Festival Ringers (youth & adults)** resumes on Wednesday, September 4, in time for the Handbell Workshop

**Youth Choir (6th-12th grades)** resumes rehearsal on Sunday, September 15, 7-8 p.m.

**Westminster Choir (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades)** resumes rehearsal on Wednesday, September 18, 5-5:45 p.m.

**Cherub Choir (4 y.o.-1<sup>st</sup> grade)** resumes rehearsal on Wednesday, September 18, 5:15-5:45 p.m.

**Celebrate the Arts:** The first Celebrate the Arts musical event for the fall will feature the Dunwoody Chamber Ensemble with William Pu here in concert on Sunday, September 15 from 3-4 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Come and listen to the program featuring the Piano Quartet in C Minor, Op. 13 by Richard Strauss.

## SERVE

**Volunteers Needed to Provide Dinner at IOH:** Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) provides transitional housing for homeless families. St. Luke's provides and delivers a meal on the third Thursday of each month when the parents receive life skills training. Reimbursement for IOH meals is budgeted. This typically involves approximately 10 adults

and 15 children. If you, your family, or group are willing to provide and serve a meal for IOH, please put your name on the sign-up sheet on the lobby bulletin board or contact AI Bridges at 770-394-6581.

**Share a Dinner at Journey Night Shelter:** St. Luke's provides dinner on the fourth Sunday of the month for 26 homeless men at Journey (formerly Druid Hills). Volunteers are needed for each month, September 2013 through August 2014. If you, your family, or group are willing to provide a meal one month, please sign up on the sheet on the lobby bulletin board or you may call AI Bridges at 770-394-6581.

**Buy Some; Share One:** St. Luke's has an ongoing food drive to support local organizations. We ask that **every** time you go to the grocery store, pick up one extra non-perishable item and put it in one of the carts in the main lobby (just inside the doors at the Manhasset entrance) - Buy Some; Share One! Their most needed items are canned meats, peanut butter, canned vegetables, cereal and toilet paper (no soup please). Please help fill the pantry for neighbors seeking assistance. We are now collecting for the Community Assistance Center.

**Save the Date:** The Community Assistance Center's *Vintage Affair 2013 ~ Celebration of Hope* will be held **Saturday, October 4** from 6 to 11 p.m. at Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church.

**Helping Hands:** This ministry matches short term or emergent needs in the congregation with available resources. Could you use your time and talent to assist someone in the congregation? Examples are setting up or assisting with a computer, driving a member to an appointment, helping change light bulbs. If this interests you, contact Billy Martin, billybeer214@yahoo.com or 770-441-0373. If you need the Helping Hands team, contact your Deacon.

**Looking for a great way to meet other St. Luke's members while serving our congregation?** 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.

**Prayer Ministry:** Our St. Luke's Prayer Ministry Team is involved in intercessory prayer. Intercessory prayer is the act of praying on behalf of others. The Bible is clear that Christians are called to be intercessors. 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, or Paul Clay, paul.clay@comcast.net or 678-443-9818.

**R.O.C.K. (Reaching Out Through Crocheting & Knitting):** Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - noon. Men and women, young and not quite so young, of varying skill levels (absolute beginners to experts) are welcome! We make prayer shawls, layette sets for preemies, squares for blankets, and a variety of other items for outreach projects.

#### **Family Promise:**

**New Week for St. Luke's:** We will host homeless children and their parents at St. Luke's **September 22-29**. Use SignUpGenius.com to volunteer for the host week, September 22-29. Just go to: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/805084CAFAF28A75-slpc3](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/805084CAFAF28A75-slpc3). [Note that this address is different than last time which ended with a 2.] If it's easier to remember, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com>, Select "Find A Sign Up", enter SLPCFamilyPromise@yahoo.com, and click on the link for September 22-29. Select the slots where you would like to volunteer. We are likely to have three or four new families when we host in September.


**Office Angels:** To volunteer, please use SignUpGenius.com, go to "find a registry" and enter [steveray22@gmail.com](mailto:steveray22@gmail.com) to volunteer.

**Supplies Needed:** The Family Promise day center here at St. Luke's is in need of some basic supplies. To see if you can help with any of these, please go to: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E49A8AB29AB9-fpdayercenter1>.

## Welcome to our guests!

*We are delighted you are worshipping with us! As a guest, you are invited to:*

1. During the Celebration of Community please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass the Friendship Pad down the pew.
2. After the worship service, please join Deacon Jean Kammerer, Elder Tom Loftis, and our Pastors in the Narthex. 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 and/or are interested in joining, please contact Jason Whitener at [jasonwhitener@slpres.org](mailto:jasonwhitener@slpres.org). or 770-393-1424, ext. 223.

 **That All May Worship:** St. Luke's strives to be a welcoming church for all. Assistive hearing devices, large print hymnals, large print bulletins and pew cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.

**Parents:** During the worship service, if necessary, the parlor is a comfortable place to be with your child and still see the service. Children's Worship Notebooks are available for all ages on the shelves in the Narthex, along with activity sheets pertaining to today's scripture. An usher can assist you.

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770-393-1424 Fax 770-393-3278 [www.slpres.org](http://www.slpres.org)

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service ~ 9:30 Sunday School ~ 11 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service  
(Nursery Provided for all services and Sunday School)

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday  
(After hours pastoral emergency, please call one of the pastors at home.)

### Church Staff

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| Pastor, Dr. Jason Whitener                   | Director of Children's Ministries,                                            |
| Associate Pastor, Rev. Shannon Dill          | Catherine Anne Thomas                                                         |
| Associate Pastor, Rev. Phil Brown            | Director of Music & Organist, Clair Maxwell                                   |
| Pastor Emeritus, Dr. E. Moss Robertson       | Director of St. Luke's Little Saints Preschool &<br>Kindergarten, Carol Perry |
| Facilities Manager, Roby Price               |                                                                               |
| Receptionists, Sally Hawkins & Bonnie Farrar | Administrative Assistants, Shirley Carrier & Liz Catlett                      |
| Treasurer, Gary Phipps                       |                                                                               |

### Pastoral Counseling

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

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| Last Sunday's Attendance: 8:30 a.m. - 89   | 11 a.m. - 250                       | Nursery - 21 |
| Last Sunday's Tithes & Offerings: \$20,780 | Financial reports available online. |              |