

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.

VISION To be a beacon of faith, hope, and love – every member an active disciple in Christ's ministry.



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### September 6, 2015

15th Sunday After Pentecost

**Liturgical Color:** White

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

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service Nursery available at all services & Sunday School

### **SERVING TODAY**

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Supervisor, Cailin Thelen
Emily Anderson
Jared & Linda Elliot
e <b>rs</b> Captain, Ken Painter;
Martye Alcini, Jan & Joe Billions,
Gretchen Keyser, Miles Young
t <b>fast</b> The Hamlin Family
Diane Lemaster
Miles Young
Lindsay Ballow
Captain, Jared Elliot;
Linda Elliot,Ted Guerrant,
Carol Hickey, Denis DuBois

### WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are delighted you are worshiping with us!

**DURING** the Welcome, please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass the Friendship Pad down the pew.

**AFTER** the worship service, please join Deacon Kristen Wescott, Elder Bill Womack, and our Pastors in the Narthex (Sanctuary lobby). They will answer questions and provide you with a Guest Packet and a loaf of freshly-baked bread.

**FOR MORE** information about our programs, ministries or membership, please contact one of our Pastors at 770.393.1424.

### THAT ALL MAY WORSHIP

**ASSISTIVE** hearing devices, large print hymnals, large print bulletins and pew cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.

CHILDREN are a precious part of our church family, and we encourage all families to include them in worship. Worship notebooks are available on the back ledges of the sanctuary for preschool and elementary ages, and we invite all children to walk up for an age-appropriate message during "Tell Us Our Story" each week. After that time children are welcome to remain in worship or to play and hear a Bible story in child care (PreK and younger).

# In Preparation for Worship

"Like the other healing miracles, this one testifies to the fact that the proclamation of God's rule is accompanied by radical changes in the lives of individuals. When we respond to the gospel, our ears are opened and our tongues are released."

Douglas R. A. Hare



# **Gathering Prayer**

# **Chiming of the Hour**

Prelude Pastorale John Rasley

# **Welcome & Passing of the Peace**

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

### \* **Call to Worship** from Psalm 96

Leader: O sing a new song to the Lord, All: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

Choir: Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Leader: Proclaim God's salvation day by day,

All: Tell of God's glory among the nations and God's marvels to the people.

Choir: Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Leader: Let us worship God!

# \* Hymn #610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

# \* Call to Confession

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

Leader: Let us pray.

# \* Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed Your way. You call us to seek justice, yet we abuse and ignore the poor. You call us to show mercy, yet we turn away from those in need. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us the wisdom and courage to abandon our places of privilege and to show our faith in action. Hear our silent confessions to You... (time of silent confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer, Amen.

\* Please stand

# \* Assurance of Forgiveness

# \* Song of Praise

Glory Be to the Father 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**

Catherine Anne Thomas

Parents may take their young children (through PreK) to our nursery, Rm. 121 in Sheppard Hall.

# **Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer**

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

### **Old Testament Reading**

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; page 570

**David Stover** 

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

# **New Testament Reading**

Mark 7:31-37; page 40

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

**Sermon** Phil Brown

# \* Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Offering

Giving is a tangible sign of worship. If you give electronically, there is a blue, laminated, 'electronic giving' card in the pew rack to place into the offering plate as it is passed.

### Offertory

All Praise to Thee Thomas Tallis, arr. Marie Pooler Chancel Choir All praise to thee, our God and King, for all the blessings thou dost bring, for loving care thou dost bestow on all thy creatures here below. We thank thee, Lord, for thy dear Son, for all the goodness he hath done, for all the sorrow he hath borne, for joy he brings to us forlorn. All this for us thy love hath done, by this to thee our love is won, for this thy loving children sing, our praise and thanks to thee we bring. Teach us to live that we might be most faithful followers of thee. Keep us, O keep us, King of Kings, beneath thine own almighty wings. 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. Thomas Ken, alt.

\* Song of Thanksgiving We Give Thee but Thine Own SCHUMANN

We give Thee but Thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

# \* Prayer of Dedication

# 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 at the center aisle. If you prefer glutenfree bread, please indicate your preference as you approach. Parents, please note the center rings of the communion trays are filled with wine. Only the outer ring is filled with grape juice.

Communion Music Let Us Break Bread Together arr. David Hegarty

\* Hymn #766 The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound MC KFF

\* Benediction

\* Postlude How Glorious Is Thy Name Carl Simone

All Fall Sunday School Classes Begin Sept. 13!



# SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

### **Catherine Anne Thomas**

cathomas@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 228

**FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Our weekly program during the 11:00 worship service, *Faithful Friends*, needs friendly adult volunteers to facilitate a simple, pre-planned lesson with K-2nd Grade kids each week. Please use <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0444a9af2fa13-faithful1">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0444a9af2fa13-faithful1</a> to sign up for Sundays this Fall. Thank you for your faithful service!

**LOVE PRINGLES?** Children's Ministries are collecting Pringle's potato chip cans for an upcoming Feast project. Recycle yours by leaving them in the copy room in the administrative offices; empty (or full!) cans are appreciated.

# YOUTH CONNECTION

#### **Phil Brown**

philbrown@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 238

Stay current with Saint Luke's Youth Ministry by signing up for text message updates. Dial 81010 and text:

for Middle School updates: for High School updates: youth, text **@6th-8thSL** youth, text **@9th-12thSL** 

parents, text @MSparentSL parents, text @HSparentSL

for Youth Choir updates: to

text @choirSL

### **NEW YOUTH SCHEDULE FOR FALL 2015:**

**Sunday School** will meet from 9:30-10:30 a.m. upstairs in Shepard Hall. Students will explore how their faith connects to their life through fellowship breakfasts, service, scripture, spiritual practices, and visitors who will share how they live their faith outside the walls of the church.

**Youth Choir** will meet from 12:15-1:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoons in the choir room. Through this ministry, students learn to express their faith in Jesus Christ through music. It also gives students a place to develop their musical skills and share their gifts in worship.

**Middle School Sunday Nights** will meet from 3:30-5:00 p.m. in the Great Hall. This is a time for 6th-8th grade students to gather and grow deeper with God through fellowship, games, and bible study.

**High School Sunday Nights** will meet from 5-6:30 p.m. at someone's house. This is a time for 9th-12th grade students to gather for a relaxing evening of fellowship and deep Bible study.

**Wednesday Nights** are a time to take a break during the week. Dinner as a church community begins at 5:45 p.m. in the Great Hall. After dinner, middle and high school students have time together growing in faith and in our relationships with one another. Look for Wednesday Night Feast information around the church and on the website.

**Adult Volunteers** are needed. If you are interested, please contact Phil at philbrown@slpres.org or 970.215.9041.

# **ADULT MINISTRY**

### **Shannon Dill**

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL Adult classes meet between the worship services from 9:30-10:30 a.m. – we'd love for you to join us! Descriptions of current groups are available on our website (slpres.org) or <a href="http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool">http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool</a>

JESUS IN THE GOSPELS You are invited to attend this fifth Disciple class to study the life and work of Jesus as described in the Gospels. Begins Tues., Sept. 15, 7-9 p.m. in the Session Room. Led by Sandra Clay & Carol Sweigert. Cost: approx. \$55 (see Shannon Dill for assistance; her contact info is above). Sign up with Liz Catlett as soon as possible to order materials: 770.393.1424, ext. 236 / lizcatlett@slpres.org.

### FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Fellowship and Bible study every Fri. from 6:40-8:00 a.m. in the Parlor with Dan Joyce.

WEDNESDAY MORNING MOMS will meet 10-11 a.m. each Wed. to discuss *Death By Suburb: How to Keep the Suburbs from Killing Your Soul*. Plan to take a little time each Wed. to stop, center yourself, and reconnect. Bring a friend and come as you are!

### IS YOUR MARRIAGE A LAUGHING

MATTER? We are excited to announce our first 'Marriage Enrichment Group' (MEG) meeting of the 2015-16 season! Please join us for the video series *Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage* by Pastor Mark Gungor. Sun. Sept. 13, 5-6:30 p.m., Session room.

# **MUSIC MINISTRY**

### Clair Maxwell

clairmaxwell@slpres.org 770.393.1424 ext. 227

#### Weekly Choir Rehearsals:

Sundays	12:15-1:00 p.m.	Youth Choir
Wednesdays	s 5:15-5:45 p.m. Cherub Choir	
	5:00-5:45 p.m.	Westminster Choir
	6:30-7:20 p.m.	Festival Ringers
	7:30-9:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir

**LILBURN SUMMER SINGERS** kick off the 2015-2016 Celebrate the Arts season on Sept. 13 at 3 p.m. They will present a program of music by American composers spanning almost 300 years. The program will include works by William Billings, Randall Thompson, Eric Whitacre, André Thomas, Moses Hogan, and Stephen Schwartz. [Ed Weaver, conductor].

**NEXT MONTH:** A guest organist will accompany classic silent films! Oct. 2 at 7 p.m.

**FRIENDS OF MUSIC** We appreciate your financial support of the Celebrate the Arts concert series at any level. If you would like to make a contribution and become a Friends of Music patron, please contact Clair Maxwell (info above). Info and donation sheets are also available in the literature racks located in the narthex and the main lobby.

HELPING HANDS This ministry matches short term needs (like setting up a computer, driving a member to an appointment, changing light bulbs) with available resources (your time and talents). If you can help, contact Barry Smith: pseinc@ mindspring.com / 404.731.7020. If you need a Helping Hand, contact your Deacon.

R.O.C.K. (REACHING OUT THROUGH CROCHETING & KNITTING) Men and women of any age and skill level are welcome to join us every Wed., 10 a.m. to Noon in the Parlor.

FAMILY PROMISE You can help homeless children and their families by serving them right here at Saint Luke's. Last year, Family Promise North Fulton/DeKalb served 18 families (15 of whom then graduated to stable housing)! Our next hosting week is Sept. 20-27. Sign up at http://tinyurl.com/SLPCFPSep2015. As always, the biggest skill requirements are your presence and a welcoming smile. Questions: David King (cardheel@yahoo.com) or Beth Underhill (bunderhill.mail@gmail.com)

VISITING CARE TEAM connects with members who are not able to come to church, but benefit from some personal contact with their church family. Contact Lucy Painter: lucypainter@comcast.net / 770.393.8044.

# SAINT LUKE'S SERVES JOURNEY & IOH: SEPT 2015 - AUG 2016

Volunteers are needed for all months. Please sign up your family, group or class in the lobby or call Al Bridges at 770.394.6581.

JOURNEY Provides shelter and food for approximately 26 homeless men. Saint Luke's prepares and serves a meal on the <u>fourth</u>
<u>Sunday</u> of each month. Eating with the men is encouraged and they enjoy the companionship.

### INTERFAITH OUTREACH HOME (IOH)

provides transitional housing for homeless families. On the third Thursday of each month, the adults have life skills training and Saint Luke's provides and delivers a meal (approx. 15 kids and 10 adults). Meal expenses are reimbursable by Saint Luke's.

### ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A BIBLE STUDY

for your elementary age student(s)? Just ASK! After School Kids (A.S.K.) is a weekly Bible study for K-5th graders from all different backgrounds, churches, and degrees of Bible knowledge. We meet each Mon. from 4-5:30 p.m. at Saint Luke's, Sept. 14 - Nov. 16 (10 wks). The fee is \$25, which includes Bible, lesson booklet, t-shirt, and tote bag. For registration and information contact Judy Weathers: weathers5002@gmail.com or 404.444.5002.

THE STATE OF SAINT LUKE'S The next Men's Breakfast is Sept. 12, 8 a.m. Come get the picture of the current "condition" of Saint Luke's for different perspectives: the pastoral perspectives from Steve, Shannon and Phil; lay leader perspectives from Wayne and Terry (Session), Rebecca (Diaconate) and Bona (Pastor Nominating Committee). Enjoy a delicious breakfast and plug into a very informative session. Saint Luke's women and their guests are always welcome. RSVP by Wed., Sept. 9 to: Daryl Moore770.395.6278, (cell) 404.993.6203, ddmoore@yahoo.com

**PRAYER MINISTRY** The prayer team offers intercessory prayers to God on Sundays at 10:35 a.m. in Room 137. Please join us. Contact Paula Barbin: barbin@fulton.k12.ga.us.

electronics recycling in partnership with the City of Dunwoody, Saint Luke's is hosting a city-wide electronics recycling and paper shredding event on Oct. 4. Watch the bulletin for a list of acceptable items. Also, throughout Saint Luke's there are now special bins labeled for recyclable materials. The Green Team is working hard to make Saint Luke's a better steward of our environment! Mark your calendar for the Oct. 4 event and let's fill up those new recycling bins.

**MEAL MINISTRY** provides meals for members recovering from a surgery or illness, suffering the loss of a loved one, or celebrating a birth or adoption. If you are interested in delivering a meal or would like more info, please contact Sandra Clay: sandrabclay@comcast.net.

**BUY SOME, SHARE ONE** Support local food pantries by buying an extra item every time you go to the grocery store! Donations are collected in the main lobby. Donations go to the Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) and Community Assistance Center (CAC).

MOUNTAIN T.O.P. (Tennessee Outreach Project) OCT. 22-15 It's time to register online and let Ted Guerrant know you're planning to attend (atlguerrants@bellsouth.net). www.Mountain-Top.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Make plans to join your Saint Luke's family in the Great Hall for a luncheon after the 11 a.m. worship service on the following Sundays: Oct. 18, Nov. 22, Dec. 20, Feb. 7, Mar. 20, Apr. 10, May 22. Meals are \$5/ person (\$15/family max). Watch for RSVPs before each event and you're encouraged to invite a friend!

**FLU SHOTS** CVS will be here Sept. 16 to administer flu shots. The cost is \$30 (cash or check), although most insurance plans and Medicare cover this fee (Cigna does NOT cover off-site shots). Wed., Sept. 16, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Must be 13 or older. Please bring picture ID.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FEAST** at Saint Luke's is a weekly time for fellowship, dinner, faith exploration, and choir rehearsals. Everyone is welcome to join us for any or all of the evening activities. **Pick up the new Feast brochure** for class descriptions, schedule, full menu, and registration form, or view it online at slpres.org.

**FEAST BEGINS SEPT. 16** with a special guest and a "Holy Roll-y Fun" night! Tap your toes to new and old gospel favorites as we celebrate "Living God's Story" together. The evening features recording artist and Presbyterian worship leader Drew Wilmesherr.

Bring a friend along for a delicious meal and fun evening that everyone will enjoy.

### TARTAN TROT: TARTAN TIMES TEN

The Tartan Trot 2016 Sponsor Campaign is off to a great start! We are celebrating Tartan Times Ten – 10 years of the best road race in Dunwoody and 10 years of supporting mission trips and outreach at Saint Luke's. Please stop by our table in the lobby, fill out a Sponsor card, and get one of our special tartan gifts with a pledge of any amount. With your help, we will make our 10th race the best one yet!

FAITH & FILM meets the 3rd Fri. of each month in room 207. It's an informal opportunity to watch great movies and explore your faith; bring a friend! Potluck dinner at 7 p.m.; movie starts at 7:45 p.m. Please RSVP to Cindy or Josh Nunez at breakingbread14@gmail.com or 678.230.1236.

**Sept. 18: Joshua** In this gentle fable about the Second Coming, a carpenter named Joshua (Tony Goldwyn) brings joy and light to every person he meets when he arrives in a small town. From troubled teens to a smitten TV anchorwoman to a frustrated wife, Joshua helps them all. But when word gets out that he possesses supernatural abilities, some folks in town show their concern. F. Murray Abraham co-stars in this life-affirming drama. 2002 G

**GOOD LISTENING** is such an act of loving that we can even substitute it for the word "love" in St. Paul's magnificent passage from 1 Corinthians 13:

Listening is patient and kind; it is not jealous or conceited or proud; Listening is not ill-mannered or selfish or irritable; Listening does not keep a record of wrong; Listening is not happy with evil, but is happy with the truth. Listening never gives up; and its faith, hope and patience never fail...

It is when we learn to listen with sensitivity and concern that we truly learn to love!

- Excerpted from James E. Sullivan's book, The Good Listener.

Allow a trained Stephen Minister to listen to your concerns. Please contact referrals coordinators Shannon Dill (770.393.1424, ext. 229) or Laura Strange (770.490.4395).

### FITNESS OPPORTUNITIES

- > CHRISTIAN DANCE PARTY / exercise class Thurs., 7-8:00 p.m.; \$6/class. Ciara Simone: CiaraSimone@yahoo.com / 404.454.7869.
- > TAI CHI Tues. & Thurs., 12:30-1:30 p.m.; \$10/ class. Sam Evans: educcons@aol.com / 678.650.2399.

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<b>PRAYER GUIDE</b> Sally Hawkins Call Sally with questions or requests
<b>CHURCH CALENDAR Bonnie Farrar</b> Call Bonnie (ext. 225) with schedule requests

### **ATTENDANCE**

AUG 30	WORSHIP	NURSERY	VISITORS
8:30	54	3	6
11:00	289	30	24

Each Sunday, many of our pews have first-time or repeat visitors. Your smile and welcoming words express the hospitable character of this congregation. Your kindness makes a difference.

### **CHURCH STAFF**

Interim PastorSteve Vance
Associate Pastor
Associate PastorPhil Brown
Pastor Emeritus
Director of Music & Organist
Director of Children's Ministries Catherine Anne Thomas
Director of Saint Luke's Little Saints PreschoolCarol Perry
Intern for Children & Youth Ministry $\dots\dots$ Emily Wilmesherr
Director of Communications
Administrative Assistants Liz Catlett & Bonnie Farrar
Receptionist
Facilities Manager Roby Price
Treasurer

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# SAINT LUKE'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### **LEADERSHIP**

Terry Nall, Assistant Clerk to Session

#### **ELDERS**

#### Class of 2016:

Claire Cummiskey (youth), Rich Crutchfield, Mary Guerrant, Tom Loftis, David McKenney, Wayne Radloff (Clerk), Mark Ryan, David Tharp, Allison Thornton

### Class of 2017:

John Eagar, Saralyn Hill, TJ McGoldrick, Paula Morris, Donna Nall, Gary Phipps, Rob Price, Pete Shelton

### Class of 2018:

Gerald Aldridge, Carol Allen, Barbara Douglass, Anne Hallum, Dan Joyce, Jean Kammerer, Chip Williams, Bill Womack

#### **DEACONS**

### Class of 2016:

Sandra Clay, Amanda Dunnick, Shawn Hamlin, Niki Rabren, Katherine Robeson, Rebecca Strickland *(moderator)*, Jenny Troha, Michelle Vail, Meg Wallace, Hayley Wolfe *(youth)* 

### Class of 2017:

Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull, Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Kruse, Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss, Sharon Polensek, Barry Smith, Russell Wolfe

### Class of 2018:

Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti, Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc, Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes, David Stover, Shari Wassell, Kristen Wescott