

COMMITMENT SEASON

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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October 11, 2015

20th Sunday After Pentecost

Liturgical Color: *Green Green is used to represent spiritual growth.*

The altar flowers are provided by Alan and Sally Larson for the Glory of God and in Gratitude for their Children and Grandchildren.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service9:30 a.m. Sunday School11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship ServiceNursery available at all services & Sunday School

SERVING TODAY

| AcolytesSupervisor, Cailin ThelerBell RingerValentina ThelerBible BearerOwen HamlinCandle LighterAnsley CrutchfieldCruciferJacob Moeber |
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| Water Bearer Sydney McGoldrich |
| Chancel Guild John & Ellen Massey |
| Continental Breakfast Ferretti Family |
| Greeters Rabren & Hamlin Families |
| Open/Close Steve Kleir |
| Sound CrewBob Burroughs |
| Ushers Captain, Paula Humer John & Cathy Ray; Heyward & Kristen Wescot |

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 Russell Wolfe, Elder John Eagar, 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, to play and hear a Bible story in child care (PreK and younger), or to learn more about our worship traditions in Faithful Friends (for K, 1st and 2nd grades).

In Preparation for Worship

Therefore, we *get to be* generous and gracious with our lives, pouring ourselves out and giving ourselves away to those in need. Such generosity is not a condition of being a disciple but a gift of being a disciple. *The Crossings*



Gathering Prayer

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude Andante Joseph Bonnet

Welcome & Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

* **Call to Worship** from Hebrews 4 Emily Wilmesherr

Leader: Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through

the heaven, Jesus, the Son of God,

People: Let us hold fast to our confession.

Leader: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,

People: So that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

All: Let us worship God!

* Hymn #733

We All Are One in Mission ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

* Call to Confession

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

Leader: Let us pray.

* Please stand

* Prayer of Confession

Gracious and loving God, we lower our heads before You and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are Yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if You are not involved in them and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things, we ask Your forgiveness and we also ask for Your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts to You at work in the world and in our lives. Remind us to be who You call us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us close to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. Hear us now as we pray silently... (time of silent confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,
All: Hear our prayer, Amen.

* 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.

Sacrament of Baptism

Emelia Nicole Brown (Mia)

Shannon Dill

Parents: Kara & Phil Brown

Also here to celebrate with the family are Grandparents Gary & Kelly 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.

Response Hymn #479

Ho, All Who Thirst JACOB'S WELL

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

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

Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

Parents may take their young children (through PreK) to our nursery, Rm. 121 in Sheppard Hall. *Parents of children in K, 1st or 2nd grade: new procedure for Faithful Friends; see page 11.

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.

Anthem The Majesty and Glory of Your Name Chancel Choir
Tom Fettke & Linda Johnson

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers; the moon and stars suspended in space. Oh, what is man that You are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor, and have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation: the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea. Oh, what is man that You are mindful of him? O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of Your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord, our God; little children praise You perfectly, and so would we. Alleluia!

First Reading Hebrews 4:12-16; page 206 Steve Cashwell

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

Gospel Reading Mark 10:17-27; page 43

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

Sermon Yes, Jesus Loves You Shannon Dill

OfferingThe Peace May Be Exchanged Dan Locklair
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.

* **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

* **Hymn #716** God Whose Giving Knows No Ending BEACH SPRING

* Benediction

* **Postlude** Toccata Joseph Bonnet

Sunday Spotlights:

ぶし NEXT WEEK: ONE WORSHIP SERVICE & A FAMILY REUNION PICNIC!

The entire congregation is invited to gather as one church family at 11:00 a.m. for worship and Holy Communion, followed by a "Saint Luke's Family Reunion Picnic" in the Great Hall. The church will provide meat entrees, and the sides, salads, and desserts will be potluck style. Bring your favorite "old family recipe" (double the recipe, please!) to contribute to the picnic feast. And bring a copy of the recipe to display next to your dish. There will be fun mixers, games, and activities, and a Photo Booth for some fun "family portraits." But it won't be the same if you're not there – we need *your* presence to make it a true church family reunion!

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE PNC? Since the Ministry Information Form (MIF) was approved by the Session at the end of May, your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) has received and reviewed about 130 Pastor Information Forms (PIF's) from potential candidates. We are thrilled to report that the candidate pool includes many strong and qualified candidates. At this point, we are narrowing down the pool, but we also are still receiving PIF's from interested folks and are carefully considering each of these.

The response to the Saint Luke's MIF has been incredible. As we had hoped, the candidates are impressed with Saint Luke's, our people, programs, mission, and spirit. Our website, in many cases, is the first impression of Saint Luke's (beyond the MIF) that folks receive; the messages, impactful graphics, and joyful spirit on the website have been invaluable.

As a group and individually, your PNC has covered much "due diligence" ground analyzing PIF's, listening to sermons, interviewing candidates, checking references, comparing notes and perspectives, praying, and visiting churches incognito. While there are no deadlines or time goals per se, we feel like the PNC is on track from the standpoint of schedule expectations. This process continues to be exciting and fulfilling as we seek to follow the Holy Spirit to the person God is calling to be our next Pastor.

Please continue to support our pastors in this interim period with your presence at worship and all the wonderful activities at Saint Luke's. We will continue to join with you in holding our entire church family in prayer. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to any of us with questions or comments.

Blessings,

Your Saint Luke's PNC

Bona Allen, Marylyn Brown, Bob Crutchfield, Ellie Eisenmesser, Tom Loftis, Cathie Rogers, Allison Thornton, Jenny Troha

YOUTH CONNECTION

Phil Brown

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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:

Sundays:

text @choirSL

9:30-10:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School meets upstairs in Sheppard Hall

12:15-1:00 p.m. Youth Choir rehearsal

TODAY → 5:30-6:30 p.m. Family Night at Mellow Mushroom in Dunwoody

for all youth and their families

Wednesday Night Feast Dinner starts at 5:45; Youth classes/activities follow.

Oct 16-18 Middle School Retreat

Nov 6-8 High School Retreat

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Catherine Anne Thomas

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FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Our weekly program during the 11:00 worship service, *Faithful Friends*, needs friendly adult volunteers to facilitate a pre-planned lesson with K-2nd Grade kids each week. Please use http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0444a9af2fa13-faithful1 to sign up for a Sunday or two. Thank you!

WED. NIGHT VOLUNTEERS On Wed. evenings, kids ages 4-5 will enjoy a video clip, music videos, games, lively activities, and take-home fun in our new series: Deep Blue. This is taught by a rotating schedule of adult volunteers – we sure could use your help! To sign up, go to: http://tinyurl.com/DeepBlue2015.

TRUNK 'N TREAT IS OCT. 25 Mark your calendar, invite your friends, and don't miss this fun annual event! The fun & games begin at 4 p.m., followed by Trunk 'n Treating, a costume parade, and a Spooktacular supper in the Great Hall.

ADULT MINISTRY

Shannon Dill

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL classes meet between the worship services, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Descriptions of current groups are available on our website (slpres.org) or http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool. Please join us!

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 meet 10-11 a.m. on Wednesdays (through 11/11) to discuss *Death By Suburb: How to Keep the Suburbs from Killing Your Soul*. Take this time each Wed. to stop, center yourself, and reconnect. Bring a friend and come as you are! Contact Shannon Dill (info above) with questions.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Clair Maxwell

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Weekly Choir Rehearsals:

| Sundays | 12:15-1:00 p.m. | Youth Choir |
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| Wednesdays | 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 |

THANK YOU to Tom Trenney and all who attended the Organ Recital and the Choral Workshop this past weekend. It was a time of fun and fellowship as we celebrated the arts at Saint Luke's together!

MUSIC MINISTRY SUNDAY is Nov. 15 – Save the date! Don't miss this special Sunday when all our choirs lead us in worship and celebrate the music ministry at our church!

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 Feast brochure** for class descriptions, schedule, full menu, and registration form, or view it online at slpres.org. Fill out a blue "Feast" pew card and drop it in the offering basket to make a reservation for this Wednesday night.

MEG (Marriage Enrichment Group) meets Sun., Oct. 18 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Session Room (rm. 109) Contact Al Bridges for info: bridgtr@aol.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN Circle meetings are held monthly in the Parlor the second Mon. at 9:30 a.m. (childcare available) and 7:30 p.m., and second Tue. at 9:30 a.m. For more information please contact Faye Cashwell: 770.409.1960 / faye@cashwellhome.com or Andrea Price: 770.551.0266 / andreacoppedgeprice@gmail.com

A PLACE TO CALL HOME Family Promise Founder Karen Olson will speak at an Oct. 16th fundraiser for the Family Promise of North Fulton/DeKalb. The "A Place To Call Home" benefit will feature graduate families from the program, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar. By the end of this event, you will have a greater understanding of the impact of homelessness on children and their families, the work of Family Promise, and how you can help make a difference. 7-9:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Roswell. \$30 per person. All donations are greatly appreciated and are tax deductible. https://www.familypromisenfd.org

SUPPER CLUB: NOV. 7 Let's enjoy some Fall fellowship! Join with fellow Saint Luke's couples or singles for a potluck style dinner at a member's home! You'll reconnect with old friends or meet new ones and share food, fellowship, and fun. RSVP on the poster in the lobby by Nov. 2 to host or participate. Call Fern Mitropoulos (770.343.8996) or Donna Nall (404.964.6933) with questions.

DIVORCE RECOVERY GROUP Are you or someone you know going through (or have gone through) the horrible pain of divorce? Many find it helpful to go through the process with others who understand; to have a safe place to express thoughts, feelings and fears; to be encouraged in the process of moving on with life in a healthy way. As a community of faith, this small group can bear one another's burdens, rejoice with those who are rejoicing and weep with those who are weeping. This new group will meet Tues. nights at Saint Luke's from 7-8:30 p.m. beginning Oct. 20. To decide if this group would be helpful for you or a friend, call Paula Morris: 770.570.9958.

OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

(ONC) Four members from the congregation are needed to serve as members-at-large on this important committee. The ONC nominates to the congregation 19 officers to serve as elders and deacons who will be elected in Feb. 2016. The term of office is one year, but the majority of work is done Nov.- Feb. If interested, please let Dr. Vance know.

OCT. 27 OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors)

11:30 a.m. ~ Craig Gleason, professional singer/guitarist/songwriter, will entertain us with songs, story telling and humor. His music includes hits from 1920 all the way up to the 70's in the style of Chet Adkins, Gene Autry, Irving Berlin, Johnny Cash and even Jimmy Buffet. Don't miss this one! Sign up on the poster in the lobby.

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.

PRAYER MINISTRY The prayer team offers intercessory prayers to God on Sundays at 10:35 a.m. in Room 137. Please join us.

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.

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.

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).

SAINT LUKE'S SERVES JOURNEY & IOH

Volunteers are needed from now through Aug. 2016. 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.

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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*FAITHFUL FRIENDS: A NEW WAY TO

GET THERE! After *Tell Us Our Story* (during the 11:00 service only), parents of all K, 1st, & 2nd Graders may bring their student and "follow the cross." Lauren Fogarty will assist you at signing your child in to *Faithful Friends* and give you a security clip. Pick up your child after worship in The Harbor (upstairs, room 213).

ATTENDANCE

| OCT 4 | WORSHIP | NURSERY | VISITORS |
|-------|---------|---------|----------|
| 8:30 | 37 | 3 | 1 |
| 11:00 | 206 | 28 | 12 |

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 |
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| Associate Pastor |
| Associate PastorPhil Brown |
| Pastor Emeritus |
| Director of Music & Organist |
| Director of Children's Ministries $\dots\dots$ 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 |
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| Facilities Manager Roby Price |
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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