

*Govern everything by Your wisdom, O Lord,  
so that my soul may always be serving You  
in the way You will and not as I choose.  
Let me die to myself so that I may serve You;  
let me live to You who are life itself.  
Amen.*

ST. TERESA OF AVILA (16TH CENTURY)



FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 13, 2016 ❖ 8:30 a.m.



## March 13, 2016

5th Sunday in Lent

### Liturgical Color: *Purple*

*Purple marks the seasons of penitence and preparation, Advent and Lent.*

### 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

**Chapel Guild** . . . . . Rand & Sally Birsinger

**Continental Breakfast** . . . . . VBS Volunteers

**Open/Close** . . . . . Josh Nunez

## WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are delighted you are worshipping 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 us outside the Chapel where our Pastors will be available to 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'S WORSHIP** notebooks and activity sheets are available on the table just outside the Chapel doors. For your convenience, there is a Family Restroom located in the hallway of the administrative offices, on the first floor, near the main lobby.

*(on the cover)*

**SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA** (28 MARCH 1515 – 4 OCTOBER 1582), was a prominent Spanish mystic, Roman Catholic saint, Carmelite nun, author during the Counter Reformation, and theologian of contemplative life through mental prayer. She was a reformer of the Carmelite Order and is considered to be a founder of the Discalced Carmelites along with John of the Cross.

## In Preparation for Worship

The call goes forth, and is at once followed by the response of obedience... Discipleship means adherence to Christ and because Christ is the object of that adherence, obedience must take the form of discipleship.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *The Cost of Discipleship*



### Prelude

Savior, When in Dust to You *arr. Gerald Near*

### Welcome

Shannon Dill

### \* Call to Worship

Paula Morris & Barbara Douglass

Leader: We come boldly this day into the presence of our God, praying with Christians around the world as our Savior taught us to pray:

**People: Lead us not into temptation.**

Leader: Help us to keep our eyes on You, and our ears tuned to Your words.

**People: Deliver us from evil.**

Leader: Help us safely navigate the distractions of the world.

**All: Let us worship God!**

### \* Hymn #275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God *EIN FESTE BURG*

### \* Call to Confession

Barbara Douglass

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

### \* Prayer of Confession

Lord, too often we are tempted. Forgive us when we are tempted to speak falsely or when we are silent when we should speak out. Forgive us when we fall into the temptation of self-righteousness or believing that we are free from sin. Forgive us when we are reluctant to deny ourselves from the tempting ways of self-indulgence. Jesus, our Savior, forgive us and help us to follow You... *(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 *GREATOREX*

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**

Hudson William Clark

Shannon Dill

*Parents: Jake & Megan Clark*

*Also here to celebrate with the family are Grandparents: Terri Potter, Randy Potter, Cindy Clark; Great Aunt & Great Uncle: Linda & Dick Cravey; Aunt Lindsey Potter.*

**Response Hymn #482**

Baptized in Water *BUNESSAN*

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

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

**Tell Us Our Story**

Catherine Anne Thomas

*Children are always welcome to stay in worship. However, parents may take your child(ren) to the nursery.*

**First Reading**

Ephesians 6:10-17; page 195

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Second Reading**

Matthew 4:1-11; page 3

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon**

Forward: Where God Leads Us

*Illuminating Lent Through the Lord's Prayer*

Shannon Dill

\* **Affirmation of Faith**

*The Study Catechism, PCUSA*

Paula Morris

Leader: What is meant by the final petition, "Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil"?

People: **We ask God to protect us from our own worst impulses and from all external powers of destruction in the world. We ask that we might not yield to despair in the face of seemingly hopeless circumstances. We pray for the grace to remember and believe, despite our unbelief, that no matter how bleak the world may sometimes seem, there is nonetheless a depth of love which is deeper than our despair, and that this love — which delivered Israel from slavery in Egypt and raised our Lord Jesus from the dead — will finally swallow up forever all that would now seem to defeat it.**

## Offering & Offertory

My Faith Looks Up to Thee *Karl Osterland*

*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

Father, whose bounty all creation shows; Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live;  
Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows: to You with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

### \* Prayer of Dedication & Extinguishing of a Lenten Candle

*Each Sunday during Lent, one of the six candles surrounding a crown of thorns on the Communion Table will be extinguished – a symbol of our six week journey with Christ toward the cross and then, the joy of His resurrection.*

**Holy One, whom alone we worship and serve, Your Word and Spirit sustain us in the wilderness and darkness. Keep us faithful in times of struggle and testing so that we may enter into Your glorious realm with Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### \* Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## The Lord's Supper

*Communion will be served by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup). If you would like to be served where you are sitting, please raise your hand. Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. Children who have discussed the sacrament with their parents and/or a pastor are welcome. The cup holds grape juice, not wine, during this service. A server with gluten-free wafers will be standing directly in front of the communion table for those who prefer this option.*

## 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.**

## Prayers of the People

### \* Hymn #815

Give to the Winds Thy Fears *FESTAL SONG*

### \* Benediction

### \* Postlude

Out of the Depths I Cry to You *Max Drischner*



# Sunday Spotlights:



**BE KIND TO OUR NEW PASTOR** Wear your name tag to welcome our new Senior Pastor, David Lower! His first Sunday is Easter, so be sure to 'order' a tag today. You can specify a magnetic fastener (fastens easily to any blouse, shirt or suit), or jaw clips (if you have a pacemaker). Call the church (770.393.1424) to get one at no cost. **Please order yours by March 14th to have one by Easter.**



**IF I HAD A HAMMER...** Our annual 'Habitat for Humanity' house build has begun! Come be a part of our team; see page nine for details.



**NEXT SUNDAY...**  
**PALM SUNDAY / YOUTH SUNDAY** The youth will lead worship as we begin Holy Week with Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

**BAKE SALE!** Mini loaves of Carrot Cake and Lemonade Cake available in the lobby to support Presbyterian Women (PW) outreach projects. \$4/ea.

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON** All are invited to the Great Hall following the 11:00 worship service. \$5/person; \$15/family max.

**EASTER EGG HUNT\*** Bring your Easter basket for Saint Luke's annual Easter Egg Hunt following the fellowship luncheon. We'll provide the eggs and prizes.

*\*We need CANDY for the Easter Egg Hunt! You can help this week by contributing a bag of individually-wrapped candy (no hard candy, please) – donation boxes are in the lobby and Sheppard Hall. Thank you!*

# 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: youth, text **@6th-8thSL** parents, text **@MSparentSL**  
for High School updates: youth, text **@9th-12thSL** parents, text **@HSparentSL**  
for Youth Choir updates: text **@choirSL**

## **Today, Mar. 13th:**

**Hunger Walk today!** Please say a prayer of support and thanksgiving for the Saint Luke's youth and adults who are joining over 16,000 people at Turner Field to raise money and awareness to help end hunger in Georgia.

Choir is from 12:15 to 1 p.m.

No Sunday Night Youth groups tonight.

**March 20th: Youth Sunday;** practice at 9:30 a.m.

**April 17th: Senior Dinner**

**THE SEASON OF LENT AT SAINT LUKE'S:** Lent is a forty day period (not including Sundays) that precedes the Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ. The three traditional practices associated with Lent are prayer, fasting and generosity (acts of justice directed toward God, self and neighbor). The color purple sets off the season of Lent as well as the omission of singing or saying 'alleluia!' which is held until the Easter Celebration.

This year, we are focusing on the *practice of prayer*. During worship, our sermons, music and liturgy will explore the meaning and power of the Lord's Prayer as it orients us toward who God is and what God is doing through Jesus. We invite you to join us in worship and prayer this Holy Season as we prepare for Christ's journey to the cross and then the joy of His resurrection. Daily prayer guides, *A Place for Prayer: Daily Prayers for Lent*, are available in the main lobby for purchase (\$1) or online for Kindle or Nook at <http://tinyurl.com/slpclent2016>.

# 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	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

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** Chastain at Saint Luke's is **Sun., April 24**. Don't miss this fun evening of music and entertainment in the style of the Chastain amphitheater.

# 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 adult volunteers to facilitate a pre-planned lesson with K-2nd Grade kids. Please use <http://tinyurl.com/SLfaithfulfriends> to sign up for a Sunday or two. Thank you!

**DURING LENT** Before worship, children should get a Lent Worship Bag which contains activities focused on the ministry of Christ and the events of Holy Week. These serve as an enhancement to our worship notebooks which are also available.

# ADULT MINISTRY

**Shannon Dill**

shannondill@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 229

**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.



June 13-16 / 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

# CAVE QUEST

Vacation Bible School at Saint Luke's

Go spelunking through dark caves with Jesus as your light at Cave Quest Vacation Bible School!

Kids learn Jesus is the one who lights our way and gives us hope for each new day.

His love illuminates when the path is dark. Cave Quest VBS encourages kids to follow Jesus where ever he will lead them! Online registration is now open: [www.slpres.org/vbs-2016-cave/](http://www.slpres.org/vbs-2016-cave/)

## JOIN OUR 2016 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD TEAM!

We're working with volunteers from Dodd-Sterling UMC, Episcopal Cathedral of St. Phillips, Big Bethel AME and Wieuca Road Baptist churches to build a new home for Ms. Ericka Smith and her three children, ages 2, 9 and 11. Ms. Smith will be the first member of her family to own a home. Come be a part of something that changes lives!

**NEW FOR HABITAT VOLUNTEERS:** all volunteers need to sign in each week through the Atlanta Habitat volunteer hub: [www.StLukes.AtlantaHabitat.VolunteerHub.com](http://www.StLukes.AtlantaHabitat.VolunteerHub.com).

**DAY 3: MARCH 19** (7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.) Sign up using the link above. Please carpool, if possible; meet in the Manhasset-side parking lot in time to depart at 7 a.m.

**CONTACT:** Daryl Moore (H)770.395.6278 / (M)404.993.6203 / [ddmoore@yahoo.com](mailto:ddmoore@yahoo.com)

**PERHAPS THE HOLY SPIRIT** has been nudging you to sign up for a mission trip this July! Join us on another trip to Thornwell Home for Children in Clinton, SC, July 21-23. This is a great chance to work with your friends and make new ones while being just a couple of hours from home. There are jobs for all skill levels. Hotel rooms have been booked, work teams are being organized and now we are waiting for you! Please call Sally Shelton (770.396.5156 / [sshelton@cwtvacations.com](mailto:sshelton@cwtvacations.com)) for more information and to sign up.

## REGISTER BY APRIL 10 FOR OUR 3RD YUCATAN PENINSULA MISSION TRIP

July 10-16, with our friends at Accion Ministries ([friendsofaccion.org](http://friendsofaccion.org)). This trip is open to adults of all ages and youth (completed 6th grade and up) traveling with at least one parent. Cost for adults is \$100 registration fee, hotel (double occupancy approx. \$125 per person/week), airfare, plus dinners (financial assistance is available). Tartan Trot covers youth costs except airfare and dinners. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE** is April 10. Contact Shannon Dill (770.393.1424 ext. 229 or [shannondill@slpres.org](mailto:shannondill@slpres.org)) if you need more info about this unique experience!

### **MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT GROUP (MEG)**

Meets today, 5-6:30 p.m. Contact Christine & Bob Crutchfield for more info: 770.364.8079 / Gafrog01@hotmail.com.

**MARCH 22 OWLS** (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors) The “Versatile Vocalist,” Paula Jones, sings many different styles of music such as hits from Aretha Franklin, Linda Ronstadt, Patsy Cline and others. She will entertain us with old standards of the 40’s, rock and roll hits of the 50’s, country, and pop hits of the 60’s. It’s obvious Paula loves what she does – and is very good at it! Sign up in the lobby. See you on Mar. 22 at 11:30!

**CHECK IT OUT** There are lots of books to explore in the Saint Luke’s library, located above the lobby at the top of the ‘big stairs.’ This month features Easter books; there’s something for readers of all ages.

### **“CHRIS KIDS” EASTER BAGS ARE DUE**

**TODAY.** Collection bin is in the lobby. CHRIS Kids provides a safe environment and support for individuals who are homeless; in foster care; suffer from trauma or rejection; struggle with mental health issues; involved in juvenile justice; or have been victimized and trafficked. For questions or more information, please contact Anna Ferretti (anna.g.ferretti@gmail.com), Stephanie McGoldrick (tsmcgoldrick@gmail.com) or Krissy Williams (kcwills7104@yahoo.com). Thank you for your support!

### **WE’RE STILL COLLECTING SHOES**

Bring your gently used, still-wearable shoes to the lobby and our Green Team will recycle them. Contact: Diane Markel 330.835.8911 / ds\_markel@yahoo.com.

**YES:** gently used, able to be reused, men’s/ women’s/kid’s, athletic shoes, casual shoes, dress shoes, work boots, sneakers, sandals, flats, loafers.

**NO:** Holes in soles, wet/mildewed, single shoes, flip flops, plastic shoes, slippers, ski boots, winter boots, roller skates/blades, ice skates.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER AT SAINT LUKE'S:

**MARCH 20:** Palm Sunday Fellowship Lunch after the 11:00 Worship Service in the Great Hall; \$5 per person, \$15 per family.

Easter Egg Hunt following the luncheon.

**MARCH 24:** Maundy Thursday 7:30 pm service in the Sanctuary

**MARCH 25:** Good Friday Service at 12:00 noon in the Chapel followed by complimentary lunch in the Great Hall.

**MARCH 27:** Easter Services at 7 am (sunrise), 8:30 am & 11 am. This will be David Lower's first Sunday preaching at Saint Luke's!

Easter Sunday Brunch RECEPTION welcoming our new senior minister, David Lower, and his family, between services in the Great Hall.

## FINANCE SUMMARY

Month: Feb 2016	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Total Income	\$165,123	\$164,029	\$ 1,094
Total Expenses	165,519	158,388	7,131
<b>NET</b>	-\$ 396	\$ 5,641	-\$ 6,037

  

Year to Date: Feb 29, 2016	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Total Income	\$402,846	\$405,430	-\$ 2,584
Total Expenses	278,780	289,023	- 10,243
<b>NET</b>	\$124,066	\$116,407	\$7,659

*Detailed reports available in the church office.*

## ATTENDANCE

MAR 6	WORSHIP	NURSERY	VISITORS
<b>8:30</b>	42	1	3
<b>11:00</b>	198	26	21

## CHURCH STAFF

Associate Pastor . . . . . Shannon Dill  
 Associate Pastor . . . . . Phil Brown  
 Pastor Emeritus . . . . . Dr. E. Moss Robertson  
 Director of Music & Organist . . . . . Clair Maxwell  
 Director of Children's Ministries . . . . . Catherine Anne Thomas  
 Director of Saint Luke's Little Saints Preschool . . . . . Carol Perry  
 Intern for Children & Youth Ministry . . . . . Emily Wilmesherr  
 Director of Communications . . . . . Tina Knoedler  
 Administrative Assistants . . . . . Liz Catlett & Lindsay Moss  
 Receptionist . . . . . Sally Hawkins  
 Facilities Manager . . . . . Roby Price  
 Treasurer . . . . . Gary Phipps  
 Assistant Treasurer . . . . . Mark Rogers

## SAINT LUKE'S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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## LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

### ELDERS

#### Class of 2016:

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

#### Class of 2017:

John Eagar, Saralyn Hill,  
 TJ McGoldrick, Paula Morris,  
 Donna Nall, 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,  
 Hayley Wolfe (*youth*)

#### Class of 2017:

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

#### Class of 2018:

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



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