



# SAINT LUKE'S

P R E S B Y T E R I A N   C H U R C H

**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.

August 14, 2016 ✦ 11:00 a.m.



## August 14, 2016

Ordinary Time

**Liturgical Color:** *Green*

*Green is used to represent spiritual growth.*

*Today's flowers are given by Carol Sweigert, in memory of her husband, Dr. Ray L. Sweigert, Jr., who went to be with God on August 14th, 2010.*

### 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

**Chancel Guild** . . . . . Art & Vicky Simon

**Continental Breakfast** . . . . . Holley-Wolfe Family

**Greeters** . . . . . McGoldrick Family

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

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

**Ushers** . . . . . Captain, Jenny Troha;  
Jack & Emma Troha; Suzanne,  
Eliza & Mary Thatcher

### 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 visit the welcome table in the Narthex (Sanctuary lobby). A Deacon and an Elder will be on hand to welcome you and answer questions. They will also 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, or visit our website: [slpres.org](http://slpres.org).

### THAT ALL MAY WORSHIP



**A HEARING LOOP** is accessible by switching hearing aids to **T-coil**.

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS** and **BACK CUSHIONS** are available; our ushers are happy to assist you.

**CHILDREN** are a precious part of our church family, and we welcome them in worship. Worship notebooks and activity packets are available on the back ledges of the sanctuary for preschool and elementary ages. Each week, children are invited to walk up for an age-appropriate message during "Tell Us Our Story." After that time, they may remain in worship or go to **child care** (PreK and younger).

## In Preparation for Worship

“We act in faith—and miracles occur.” – *Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary-General to the United Nations, on Christmas Eve 1956, upon the resolution of the Suez Crisis*

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### Gathering Prayer

#### Prelude

Morning Has Broken *arr. Dale Wood*

#### Chiming of the Hour

#### Welcome

#### \* Call to Worship

Leader: Everyone who thirsts,

**People: come to the waters; seek the Lord; repent and return so that you may live.**

Leader: All who are hungry for righteousness,

**People: come to the waters; seek the Lord; repent and return so that you may live.**

Leader: All who need the help of God,

**People: come to the waters; seek the Lord; repent and return so that you may live.**

#### \* Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

#### \* Hymn #81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken *AUSTRIAN HYMN*

#### \* Call to Confession

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

## \* Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent in our response to You. You set before us a rich feast of blessings, but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy. You call us to attend to urgent needs of the world, but we indulge our own desires. Our ways are not Your ways; our thoughts do not ascend to Your thoughts. Forgive us when we fall short of Your claim upon our lives. Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire for a more fruitful life. Hear the prayers of our heart, Lord, and amend our ways... *(time of silent confession)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer, Amen.

## \* Assurance of Forgiveness

### \* Song of Praise



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear God's voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - jice! O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son, and give all the glo - ry: great things God has done!

## Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

*Parents may take their young children (through PreK) to our nursery in Sheppard Hall. Children are encouraged to stay in worship with their family and enjoy the activities in their worship buckets (available in the Sanctuary lobby [Narthex] on the window sills).*

## 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.

## First Reading

John 4:7-15; page 89

Caroline Hurst

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5, 12-13; page 644

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

Phil Brown

### \* Hymn #78

You Thirsty Ones, Come *HEAVEN'S RAIN*

### \* Affirmation of Faith

from the Scots Confession, chapter 1

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of His own glory.**

## 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

Once and for All *Lauren Daigle*

Emily Wilmesherr

God I give You all I can today, these scattered ashes that are hid away, I lay them all at Your feet.

From the corners of my deepest shame, the empty places where I've worn Your name,  
show me the love I say I believe.

O Help me to lay it down; Oh, Lord I'll lay it down.

O let this be where I die, my Lord with thee crucified, be lifted high as my kingdom fall;  
once and for all, once and for all.

There is victory in my savior's loss, and in the crimson flowing from the cross; pour over me, pour over me.

O let this be where I die, my Lord with thee crucified, be lifted high as my kingdom fall;  
once and for all, once and for all.

O Lord I lay it down, O Lord I lay it down. Help me to lay it down. O Lord I lay it down.

O let this be where I die, my Lord with thee crucified, be lifted high as my kingdom fall;  
once and for all, once and for all.

Once and for all.



**\* Song of Thanksgiving**

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be-low; praise  
God a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**\* Prayer of Dedication**

**\* Hymn #182**

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say *KINGSFOLD*

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

Trumpet Tune *David German*

# Sunday Spotlights:



## SAINT LUKE'S WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS!

Join us in welcoming the following people who became members on Aug. 7: Donald and Jane Boney; Nury Soto; Ann Maxwell; Walker and Cheryl Wellford and their sons Walker, William, and Jack; Carol Thorup; Judy Wicks; Ruth Anne Paradice; Ron Davis; Josh and Caroline Boling and daughter Betsy; Anita Gardner and daughter Isabella; Amanda Lower and children Matt and Anna Jean.



## MMMM... DO YOU SMELL PANCAKES?

Be sure to visit the Great Hall on Sun., Aug. 28 from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. for the annual Pancake Breakfast and Fall Kick-Off. Check out all the Children's Ministries and Adult Ministry offerings this fall, browse the mini book sale, and visit the **Living Wax Museum: New Testament Edition**.

## MID-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT

It is with a grateful heart that I reach out to you all today to share wonderful news on the state of our Church's finances. After a couple of trying years, mid-way through 2016, our financial position is strong. The Church's operating committees continue to do a great job in keeping expenses in check and, given the generosity of this congregation, the Church's revenues have exceeded our budget in what have historically been very slow summer months for member pledges. Year to-date actual income exceeded budget by \$56,000 while expenses were held under budget by just over \$21,000 resulting in a positive net variance of \$77,000. Overall, year-to-date income exceeded expenses by \$140,000. Please visit the website to view the Church's 2016 Mid-Year Financial Report, or pick up a printed copy in the lobby or Narthex. While we have a long way to go to make budget prior to year-end, half way through, we are on our way and in a very strong financial position. On behalf of your Finance Committee, thank you!

With love and gratitude,

Pete Shelton

## MUSIC MINISTRY

**Clair Maxwell**

clairmaxwell@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 227

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**CHANCEL CHOIR AND FESTIVAL RINGERS** return to rehearsal on Wed., Aug. 24. Both groups are open to youth and adults and rehearse weekly. Festival Ringers practice 6:30-7:20 p.m. and the Chancel Choir practices 7:30-9 p.m. Contact Clair Maxwell for more information.

**CELEBRATE THE ARTS** (CTA) concert series begins Sept. 11 in the sanctuary with "Songs of Peace," presented by the Atlanta choral group *Coro Voci*, conducted by Ed Weaver. Support this community outreach ministry by attending these free concerts with your friends and family, and contribute financially by becoming a **Friend of Music**. Look for more info on the CTA flyers and in the bulletin.

## 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.



## **SPLASH!** CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

**Catherine Anne Thomas**

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**ADULT HELPERS NEEDED** Our Saint Luke's kids are set for another great year of Serving, Learning, and Sharing (*SPLASH*, get it?), but we need adult volunteers to make it happen. The time slots are Sun. mornings, 9:30-10:30, 11:20-12:00, or 10:30-12:00; or Wednesdays during Feast from 6:20-7:15 p.m. These jobs are meant to be shared among many, so please jump in by contacting Catherine Anne (info above).

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** In August, we do children's Sunday School a little differently: preschoolers attend "Light the Dark" class in Room 120; elementary kids have "Cave Capers" in the Great Hall. Both classes are 9:30-10:30, and both offer lots of fun activities!

## **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**

UPCOMING SUNDAY YOUTH EVENTS:

**AUG 21** 6th Grade Pool Party  
**AUG 28** Sunday School Pancake Breakfast; Druid Hills Shelter Dinner  
**SEPT 11** Youth Family Potluck  
**OCT 16** All youth: Corn Maze  
**OCT 28-30** Middle school retreat @ Calvin Camp & Retreat Center  
**NOV 11-13** High school retreat @ Mountain TOP  
**DEC 18** Youth Christmas parties

**2ND – 8TH GRADERS NEEDED!** 2nd through 8th graders are invited to be a part of Saint Luke's acolyte program. Please contact Cailin Thelen (cailinthelen@gmail.com / cell 770.330.9622 / or the poster in the lobby) for more info.

**JUST ASK!** After School Kids (A.S.K.) is a weekly Bible study for elementary school age students. Classes meet for 10 weeks on Mondays after school (4-5:30 p.m.), starting Aug. 29, here at Saint Luke's. For more info, visit our **Open House on Mon., Aug. 22** at Saint Luke's from 4-5:30 p.m. For a registration form, contact Judy Weathers: weathers5002@gmail.com

**SAVE THE DATE** for the annual Saint Luke's Women's Retreat: March 3-5, 2017.

**RETURNING BY POPULAR DEMAND:  
8 STEPS TO A PAIN-FREE BACK**

Sat., Aug. 27, 1-2 p.m. in room 203: Have you tried everything and your back, hip, neck or shoulder still hurts? Experience what healthy posture can do for you in this free workshop. Register under "Free Workshop" at [www.GokhaleMethod.com](http://www.GokhaleMethod.com)

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN REGISTRATION**

Presbyterian Women (PW) is a group that meets monthly for Bible study and mission-oriented projects. We hope you will plan to join us at one of our three monthly circle meetings beginning in September:

2nd Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (childcare available);

2nd Mondays at 7:30 p.m.; or

2nd Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

This year the Bible study will be "Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes" by Judy Yates Siker. Stop by our table in the lobby TODAY, Aug. 21 or Aug. 28 for more information and to register. There is a cost for the study materials, so bring your checkbook. Contact PW Moderator Andrea Price: [andreacoppedgeprice@gmail.com](mailto:andreacoppedgeprice@gmail.com) if you have any questions. Don't miss this special opportunity to study and grow spiritually with other women at Saint Luke's!

**DISCIPLE SERIES** The final study in the Disciple Series, *Christian Believer*, will be offered at Saint Luke's this fall beginning on Sept. 13 in the Session Room (#109). This 30-week study focuses on essential doctrines of the Christian faith and makes connections between the doctrine and daily living. Classes will be from 7-9 p.m. each Tuesday. Please call Liz Catlett to order materials: 770.393.1424, ext. 236.

**FAMILY PROMISE: DOUBLE FEATURE**  
Saint Luke's has committed to back-to-back hosting weeks: Sept. 25 – Oct. 9. Volunteer opportunities abound for people wanting to volunteer in groups, as a family, or even alone. Please take a moment and find a spot to lend a hand: <http://tinyurl.com/SLPCFP2016-09>.

### **MOVE INTO BETTER HEALTH**

Mon. & Wed. in the Great Hall, 8:15 - 9:15 a.m.  
Sally Joyce will start the class with light aerobics or walking, and then use light weights or resistance for toning, stretching and relaxation. Begins Sept. 12.

### **CALLING ALL 1ST – 5TH GRADE BOYS!**

Pack 764 (sponsored by Saint Luke's) is holding its annual Cub Scout Open House on Sun., Aug. 21 at 3:30 p.m. in the chapel. Meet the leaders, learn about Scouting, and sign up for a year of fun. Visit the Pack's website ([www.pack764.org](http://www.pack764.org)) or email Cubmaster Peter Keohane ([pack764@gmail.com](mailto:pack764@gmail.com)) for info or questions.

### **STEPHEN MINISTRY AT SAINT LUKE'S**

You say, "I'm not able." God says, "I am able."

2 Corinthians 9:8 says, "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

In all things God gives to us generously. God will equip you and help you. Stephen Ministers hope to be a conduit to God's grace for each of our care receivers. We are well trained and available to meet confidentially with you on a weekly basis. Take the first step. Reach out to Shannon Dill (770.393.1424 ext. 229) or Laura Strange (770.490.4395) for a referral.

## FINANCE SUMMARY

Month: JULY 2016	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Total Income	\$110,032	\$ 99,922	\$10,110
Total Expenses	127,464	129,078	- 1,614
<b>NET</b>	- \$ 17,433	- \$ 29,157	\$11,724

  

Year to Date: July 31, 2016	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Total Income	\$1,070,615	\$1,004,386	\$66,229
Total Expenses	947,792	970,485	- 22,694
<b>NET</b>	\$ 122,823	\$ 33,901	\$88,923

*Detailed reports available in the church office.*

## CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor . . . . .	David Lower
Associate Pastor . . . . .	Shannon Dill
Associate Pastor . . . . .	Phil Brown
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
Church Administrator . . . . .	Pam Melton
Administrative Assistant . . . . .	Liz Catlett
Receptionist . . . . .	Sally Hawkins
Facilities Manager . . . . .	Roby Price
Treasurer . . . . .	Mark Rogers

## SAINT LUKE'S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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## LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

### ELDERS

#### Class of 2017:

Zachary Burroughs (*youth*),  
 John Eagar, Gil Hearn, 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

#### Class of 2019:

Al Bridges, Beth Eisenmesser,  
 Sonny Jester, Cindy Nunez,  
 Bob Pile, Bob Polensek,  
 Whitney Samuelson, Steven Vivian

### DEACONS

#### Class of 2017:

Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull,  
 Caroline Hurst (*youth*),  
 Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Brooks,  
 Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,  
 Sharon Polensek,  
 Rebecca Strickland (*Moderator*),  
 Russell Wolfe

#### Class of 2018:

Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,  
 Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,  
 Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,  
 David Stover, Shari Wassell,  
 Kristen Wescott (*Vice Moderator*)

#### Class of 2019:

Melissa Blakely, Mark Douglass,  
 A.J. Favero, Carol Hickey,  
 Dorothy Kitchens, Richard Lawry,  
 Carol Waller, Al Wang, Scott Zannini