

**CHURCH STAFF**

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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  
Director of Communications. . . . .Tina Knoedler  
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**SERVING TODAY**

**Chapel Guild**– Bill and Ellen Womack  
**Continental Breakfast**– The Troha Family  
**Open/Close**– Josh Nunez

**LEADERSHIP**

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

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**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

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**DEACONS**

**Class of 2017:**

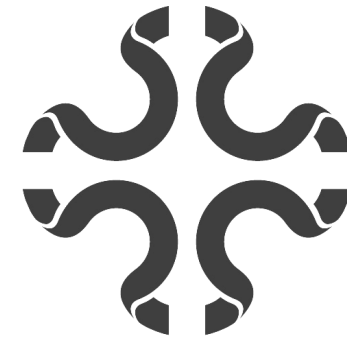
Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull,  
Caroline Hurst (*youth*),  
Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Brooks,  
Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,  
Sharon Polensek,  
Rebecca Strickland (*Moderator*),  
Russell Wolfe

**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



**SAINT LUKE’S**  
P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

May 14, 2017

8:30am



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**May 14, 2017**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Liturgical Color:** White

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

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

8:30am Chapel Communion Service

9:30am Sunday School

11:00am Sanctuary Worship Service

*Nursery available at all services and Sunday School.*

**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.

**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 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.

**THAT ALL MAY WORSHIP**

**ASSISTIVE** hearing devices, large print hymnals, large print bulletins and back 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.

**CAMP LITTLE SAINTS**— Saint Luke's Preschool & Kindergarten is offering a fun camp for kids who turned 2 by September 1, 2016 through kids who have completed Kindergarten. 4 days each week, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Space is limited. Contact Carol Perry at 770.393.1424 ext. 240.

**GETTING SPACY** // May 30 – June 2 // Blast off for fun as we learn what it takes to be an astronaut! We'll suit up and climb aboard the SLLS Spaceship to explore the planets in our solar system. Along the way we'll make edible moon rocks and Martian Slime!

**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME** // June 5 – June 8 // Grab your baseball hat and hit the SLLS ballpark! Our ball players will spend lots of time with balls of all kinds during the week. There will be plenty of ballpark snacks and we'll take home our own personalized trading cards!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Phil Brown** philbrown@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 238

**Emily Wilmesherr** emilywilmesherr@slpres.org/ 770.393.1424 ext. 234

### YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth will meet upstairs in the Youth Room from 9:30-10:30am

### YOUTH GROUP

There is not Youth Group this week

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

We are looking for five youth volunteers to help with the gathering time for VBS, June 12-15. This includes skits, music, and energizers. Talk to Phil if you are interested. If you want to help in other areas of VBS, the volunteer sign-up sheet is on the wall in the pre-school area.

### VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

If you are volunteering with VBS this year, please choose one of the following dates to come to the church for training: May 17, 7-8pm or June 4, 12-1pm.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**May 14:** Sunday School, No Youth Group (Mother's Day)

**May 20:** Mt. Top Tool Training. 9am-12pm behind the Great Hall

**May 21:** Six Flags (sign up and details on SLPC website)

**May 28:** No Sunday School or Youth Group (Memorial Day Weekend)

## MUSIC MINISTRY

**Clair Maxwell** clairmaxwell@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 227

### CHOIR REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAYS:

6:30-7:20pm Festival Ringers, Youth & Adults, Clair Maxwell, Director

7:30-9:00pm Chancel Choir, Youth & Adults, Clair Maxwell, Director

### SUMMER MUSIC

We are currently scheduling music for our summer worship services while our choirs take the summer off. If you play an instrument, take music lessons, or can't sing with the choirs during the year, this is your chance to share your gifts with the congregation. Music is needed at the 8:30 and 11am services from June 4 through August 13. All singers and instrumentalists are welcome and appreciated! Contact Clair Maxwell if interested.

## In Preparation for Worship

Distinctions drawn by the mind are not necessarily equivalent to distinctions in reality.

- Thomas Aquinas



### Prelude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee *arr. Faye Lopez*

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship\*

Leader: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Leader: We give praise to God, the Lord of New Life,

**People: for those who hunger for God shall find Him risen, and be fed by the truth!**

Leader: All the earth will remember hope's victory,

**People: all people will practice hope until the kingdom of heaven is come!**

Leader: **Let us worship the risen Lord, our God!**

### Hymn #15\*

All Creatures of Our God and King *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

### Call to Confession\*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

### Prayer of Confession\*

Lord of all creation,

**in Christ you have made us all sisters and brothers in Christ.**

**There are no more distinctions,**

**and there is no separation that can remove anyone from your love.**

**We confess that our vision is not always so expansive.**

**We judge others, separate ourselves, and build barriers around us.**

**Forgive us.**

**Help us tear down the walls around us, and embrace others without distinction.**

**As you have shown in Jesus the Christ...***(Silence is kept for personal confession)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer. Amen.**

## Assurance of Forgiveness\*

### Song of Praise\*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures high and low.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### Passing of the Peace of Christ\*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

### Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture Lesson

Acts 15:1-18, page 134-135 of the New Testament

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

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

### Sermon

Expanding the Kingdom

Emily Wilmesherr

### Hymn #301\*

Let Us Build A House (All Are Welcome) *TWO OAKS*

### 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.**

## SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

**Catherine Anne Thomas** [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org) / 770.393.1424 ext. 228

### VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING NEWS

Fun Factory "employees" are encouraged to attend ONE of these two training sessions:

~ **Wednesday, May 17** from 7-8pm, Room 231/233, dessert and drinks provided or

~ **Sunday, June 4** from 12-1pm, Room 231/233, light lunch and drinks provided

*Please RSVP for a session to Liz Catlett. Childcare is available by reservation only for the June 4 session. We'll provide a spot for your child if you contact [lizcatlett@slpres.org](mailto:lizcatlett@slpres.org). Please pack a lunch pail for your small factory workers!*

### BUT WAIT, SOME GEARS ARE MISSING!

We have a four large gears and many more small ones that are still missing from our VBS Fun Factory! Our biggest needs are two adults for Preschool Bible Adventures (to present the daily Bible story and activity to individual preschool classes in the Book Hive) and two adults for Preschool Kid Vid Cinema (the daily video clip and discussion with individual preschool classes in the chapel). We also have many other age level leaders' spots still open for both adults and youth helpers. Finally, if you can only help out a day or two, we need some adult "floaters" to fill in where needed most. If there's any way you can swing some shifts in our Fun Factory from June 12 - June 15 (that's Monday through Thursday mornings), please sign up on the board in the main lobby OR email [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org). Thanks for helping us get the Fun Factory up and running!

### CHILDREN'S WELCOME WAGON

Needed: friendly adult volunteers to serve as a Children's Welcome Wagon greeter in Sheppard Hall on Sunday mornings! Hours: Sunday mornings (that you select) from 10:45am to 12:15pm. Please email [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org) if you can help.

**OLDER, WISER, LOVING SENIORS (OWLS)  
END OF YEAR GATHERING**

Tuesday, May 23 at 11:30am

Please join us for our last meeting of the spring season.

We will also recognize Melba Gay as she retires her role as leader of this fantastic group.

Please sign up on the sign up sheet in the lobby by Sunday, May 21 so we can give the restaurant an accurate head count for seating purposes.

Hope to see you there!

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Dunwoody, GA 30338  
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**ADULT MINISTRY**

**Shannon Dill**    [shannondill@slpres.org](mailto:shannondill@slpres.org) / 770.393.1424 ext. 229

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Classes meet between the worship services, 9:30-10:30am. Descriptions of current groups are available on our website ([slpres.org](http://slpres.org)) or <http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool>. Please join us!

**FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Fellowship and Bible study every Friday from 6:40-8am in the Parlor with Dan Joyce.

**DISCIPLE SERIES**

The final study in the Series, *Christian Believer*, focuses on essential doctrines of the Christian faith and makes connections between the doctrine and daily living. Classes are Tuesdays, 7-9pm.

**BIBLE STUDY: "WAYFARERS"**

Come join David, Shannon or Phil as this week's preacher leads a study of the scripture for the upcoming Sunday's worship. Meet on Wednesdays at 10am in the church library.

**Prayers of the People**

**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.**

**Offering Invitation**

*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 in the offering plate as it is passed.*

**Offertory**

Fairest Lord Jesus    *arr. Jerry Ray*

**Song of Thanksgiving\***

Now Thank We All Our God    *NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT*

**All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.**

**Prayer of Dedication\***

**The Lord's Supper**

*Communion will be served by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup). Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. Children who have discussed the sacrament with their parents and/or 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. If you would prefer to be served where you are sitting, please raise your hand.*

**Closing Hymn #307\***

God of Grace and God of Glory    *CWM RHONDDA*

**Benediction\***

**Postlude\***

*Worship Notes:*

*Thank you to Kelly Sloan, pianist at the 8:30am service, as well as, Lee Orr, organist at the 11am service.*

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**ACOLYTE APPRECIATION**— Thank you, to those who have served during 2016-2017 as a Saint Luke’s acolyte! Among the youngest of our leaders, they have shown responsibility, reverence, and poise with their leadership. The acolytes are key to setting the tone for our worship services. Please join us immediately after the 11 am worship service in the Parlor for a reception in honor of those listed below. Certificates may be picked up at the reception.

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| Brady Anderson     | Catherine Kitchens | Thomas Rice        |
| Emily Anderson*    | Anna Jean Lower    | Bonnie Ruggiero*   |
| Ansley Crutchfield | Matt Lower         | Caroline Samuelson |
| James Crutchfield  | Elliott McGoldrick | Luke Sloan         |
| Marshall Douglass  | Sydney McGoldrick  | Eliza Thatcher     |
| Mason Douglass     | Katie Miller       | William Tomsik     |
| Nina Gaitan        | Rebecca Miller     | Jack Troha         |
| Nolan Grafton      | Jacob Moebes       | Douglass Vivian    |
| Lilly Hamlin       | Katie Moebes       | Pearson Vivian     |
| Owen Hamlin        | Yates Parker       | Wells Waller       |
| Allie Hearn*       | Hannah Price       | Walker Wellford    |
| Carlisle Hearn     | Sophie Price       | Avery Williams     |
| Elise Hearn        | Emma Rabren        | Marjee Williams    |
| William Hearn      | Thom Rabren        |                    |

\* The asterisk denotes students who are graduating from acolyte service as they move forward into high school.

**SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:**



**SUNDAY SPECIAL OFFERING FOR PRESBYTERIAN HOMES**— Today there will be a special offering taken to support the Caring Hands Fund through the annual Mother’s Day Offering. Your gifts will be joined together with those of other Georgia Presbyterians to support more than 400 older residents (mostly widows) of Presbyterian Homes of Georgia who, through no fault of their own, have simply outlived their savings. For 67 years, the Caring Hands Fund has enabled Presbyterian Homes to provide exceptional nursing care for those residents as they live out the remainder of their years in peace and dignity. Checks should be made payable to Saint Luke’s. Please use the special envelope provided in the pews or mark you check “Caring Hands.” Thanks for your participation in this ministry of caring!



**INTERFAITH OUTREACH HOME (IOH)**— This organization provides transitional housing for homeless families. On the third Thursday of each month when the adults have life skills training; Saint Luke’s provides and delivers a meal which feeds approximately 10 adults and 15 children. Meal expenses are reimbursable by Saint Luke’s. Volunteers are needed for Thursday, May 18. Please sign up in the lobby or feel free to call AI Bridges at 770-394-6581.