

CHURCH STAFF

Senior PastorRev. Dr. David Lower
Associate Pastor Rev. Shannon Dill
Associate Pastor..... Rev. 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
Facility Manager..... Roby Price
Treasurer.....Mark Rogers
Intern for Children & Youth Ministry..... Emily Wilmesherr
Church Administrator..... Pam Melton
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Receptionist..... Sally Hawkins

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SERVING TODAY

Chapel Guild- Denis and Sandra DuBois

Open/Close- Steve Klein

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:

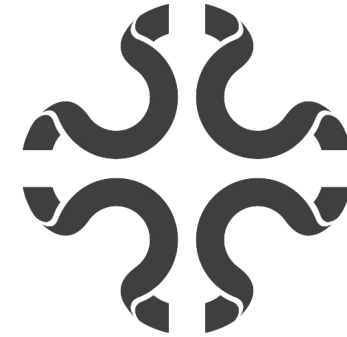
Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull,
Caroline Hurst (*youth*),
Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Brooks,
Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,
Sharon Polensek,
Rebecca Strickland (*Moderator*),
Russell Wolfe

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



SAINT LUKE'S
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May 28, 2017

8:30am



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770.393.1424 www.slpres.org Office Hours: M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm

May 28, 2017

Seventh 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.

This schedule will change on June 11th. Please see page 6 for more details.

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

Enjoy the Memorial Day Weekend!

YOUTH GROUP

Enjoy the Memorial Day Weekend!

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 attend the following training:
June 4, 12-1pm at Saint Luke's, Room 231/233.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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

MUSIC MINISTRY

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

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 11 through August 20. All singers and instrumentalists are welcome and appreciated! Contact Clair Maxwell if interested.

In Preparation for Worship

The role of the church is to be the witness to the presence of the Kingdom of God.

Lisa Sharon Harper



Prelude

Lead Kindly *John Dykes*

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!**

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

Hymn #318*

In Christ There is No East or West *MCKEE*

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Holy God,

We are prone to think too highly of ourselves.

We forget that You call us to do Your will, not the other way around.

Forgive us.

Empty us of all things that do not give glory to You,

so we can be filled with Your love again...(*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

Galatians 3:23-29, page 189 of the New Testament

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

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

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

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.**

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Catherine Anne Thomas cathomas@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 228

VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING NEWS

Fun Factory "employees" are encouraged to attend a training session:

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

Please RSVP for the 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. 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. Thanks for helping us get the Fun Factory up and running!

IT'S A PENTECOST PARTY!

All children and their parents are invited to join us in saying "Happy Birthday, Church" on Sunday, June 4 from 9:30 -10:30am in the Great Hall. We'll have crafts, games, and of course – birthday cupcakes! Wear something **red** and feel free to bring a friend!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR JUNE AND AUGUST

Kids will love coming to Sunday School for 3 Sundays in June (11th, 18th, 25th) and 3 Sundays in August (13, 20, 27). Classes are from 9:30 to 10:15. (Beginning June 11, Sunday morning worship times are 8:30am and 10:30am)

3's and Pre-K friends: Eye-Popping Bible Lessons, Room 120, Sheppard Hall

Completed Kindergarten through 5th Grade: Faith Factory Games, Great Hall

This group will need two adult leaders each week. All game plans and materials provided. Visit the Sign-Up Genius below and tell us which day or days you can help coach the Purple Pulleys and the Green Gears! <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0444a9af2fa13-faith>

ADULT MINISTRY

Shannon Dill 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) 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.

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

The Ash Grove arr. Dale Wood

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.**

The Lord's Supper

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.**

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.

Prayers for the World

Closing Hymn #301*

Let Us Build a House TWO OAKS

Benediction*

Postlude*

How Firm a Foundation arr. Dale Wood

Worship Notes:

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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



EXPERIMENTAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Saint Luke's has decided, in an effort to better integrate our Sunday morning schedule into the life of the surrounding community, to experiment moving the time of our sanctuary worship up to 10:30am. This "summer schedule experiment" will begin on June 11 and run through September 24. Feedback from the whole congregation will be solicited in August and September about the changed schedule, and if it is generally preferable, the changes will be made permanent.

The Sunday morning chapel worship service will continue to begin at 8:30 am. The experimental schedule is designed to be more time efficient, so additional care will be taken to keep worship times to forty-five minutes in the chapel and one hour in the sanctuary. Below is a simple chart of the Sunday morning schedule, current and new.

EVENT	CURRENT TIMES	NEW TIMES
Chapel Worship	8:30am – 9:20am	8:30am – 9:15am
Sunday School	9:30am – 10:30am	9:30am – 10:15am
Choir Warm-up	10:30am – 10:55am	10:00am – 10:25am
Sanctuary Worship	11:00am – 12:00pm	10:30am – 11:30am

The Sunday schedule experiment is based on strong themes of the extensive feedback that the church recently collected from its largest demographic group, families with children and youth, collected by anonymous surveys and formally convened discussion groups. Included in the feedback were themes like "we love Saint Luke's" and "Sunday afternoon activities have made it increasingly difficult to attend Saint Luke's regularly." Families expressed a general sense that Sunday mornings finish too late to get to Sunday afternoon programming, and noted the strain of the lengthy time currently scheduled between Sunday School and the 11 am sanctuary worship service. A majority of churches in our area have now also moved their worship services to 10:30 am, presumably in response to similar community themes.

The church Program Staff received and analyzed this feedback, proposing the change to the church's Worship and Christian Education committees, and then to the church's Session. An extended conversation was also conducted with the church choir, whose schedule is affected by the change, and they were supportive of the experiment. Committees and the Session approved the schedule experiment unanimously. The Session extended the timeline for the experiment through September so that general conclusions about the change can be more adequately drawn. If the new schedule seems to fit better in the life of the Saint Luke's congregation, as we expect it will, the change will be made permanent. If not, the schedule will be rolled back to its previous state in October.

We realize this change is soon and significant, but expect positive results. We anticipate and look forward to working with different constituencies to address any necessary adaptations along the way. And we certainly hope that these changes, a response to the feedback of our families with children and youth, will result in their increased attendance! Please feel free to be in touch with any of us if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your flexibility as we work to make worship and faith learning at Saint Luke's all it can be!

Sincerely,

The Saint Luke's Program Staff

David, Shannon, Phil, Catherine Anne, Carol, and Clair



NEW SAINT LUKE'S OFFICERS— The following new class of officers will be ordained and/or installed during the 11am worship service on either May 28 or June 4. We offer prayers and thanks for these officers as they begin their leadership service.

ELDERS

Class of 2020

Carol Ciepluch

Leslie Hamlin

Kay Loerch

JJ Singley

Kelly Sloan

Steve Thornton

Brad Troha

Class of 2018 (Youth Elder)

Forest Herrick

DEACONS

Class of 2020

Thomas Brown

Karleen Buchholz

Jenny Cumiskey

Ron Davis

Daryl Moore

Emily Ritzler

Vivian Smith

Suzanne Thatcher

Class of 2019

Alyson Cohen

Class of 2018

Mary Frances Kitchens (Youth Deacon)

Ron Valdes