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SERVING TODAY

Chancel Guild– John and Ellen Massey
Greeter– Ron Davis
Lay Reader– Kay Loerch
Open/Close– Josh Nunez
Sound Crew– Cameron Wescott
Ushers– Jared and Linda Elliot; Captains, Thank you for those serving as ushers today!

LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

ELDERS

Class of 2018:

Gerald Aldridge, Carol Allen,
Barbara Douglass, Anne Hallum,
Forrest Herrick (*Youth*), Dan Joyce,
Jean Kammerer, Chip Williams,
Bill Womack

Class of 2019:

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

Class of 2020:

Carol Ciepluch, Leslie Hamlin,
Kay Loerch (*Asst. Clerk of Session*),
JJ Singley, Kelly Sloan,
Steve Thornton, Brad Troha

DEACONS

Class of 2018:

Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,
Kris Hull, Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*),
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,
Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell,
Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

Class of 2019:

Melissa Blakely, Alyson Cohen,
Mark Douglass, A.J. Favero,
Carol Hickey, Dorothy Kitchens (*Vice Moderator*), Carol Waller, Al Wang,
Scott Zannini

Class of 2020:

Thomas Brown, Karleen Buchholz,
Jenny Cummiskey, Ron Davis,
Daryl Moore, Emily Ritzler,
Vivian Smith, Suzanne Thatcher



July 16, 2017

10:30am

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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color: Green

Green is used for all of the other time periods (called Ordinary Time) not marked by a specific festival or season.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30am Chapel Communion Service

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am 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 Sanctuary where our Pastors or a church officer 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 A hearing loop is accessible by switching hearing aids to T-coil. Also, large print hymnals and back cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.



CHILDREN are a precious part of our church family, and we welcome them in worship. Worship buckets 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).

END ZONE FEVER! COLLEGE FOOTBALL FORECAST WITH TONY BARNHART—

The 2017-2018 college football season is fast approaching and with it comes the Saint Luke's traditional August Men's Breakfast event. Tony Barnhart will be with us on August 5 (yes, one week earlier than usual) to get the football party started with his prognostications on just what we might expect from our favorite and not-so-favorite teams. Put on your college colors and come! Be informed! Be entertained! Enjoy a delicious breakfast! Make this good-time experience another for your bank of good memories! Saint Luke's women and their guests are always welcome. Deadline for responding is Wednesday, August 2. Please RSVP to Daryl Moore, (H)770-395-6278, (M)404-993-6203, ddmoore@yahoo.com.

GATHER YOUR STUFF! ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT—

The date is being firmed up with the City of Dunwoody. We hope to be able to secure a Sunday in August, held on site at Saint Luke's. Please stay tuned for all of the details about this Saint Luke's Green Team sponsored event.

ADULT MINISTRY

Shannon Dill shannondill@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 229

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Classes will continue to meet between the worship services, 9:30-10:15am. Descriptions of current groups are available on our website (slpres.org) or <http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool>. Please join us!

- Seasons of the Spirit (**Room 231/233**) – a study of the scripture lessons used in Sunday sermons.
- Soul Food (**Room 234/236**) – Study focuses on a variety of topics to illuminate our faith and understanding of the Christian life in this complicated world.
- Faith Foundations (**Room 232**) – Using the Kerygma study guides, this class explores Scripture, Christian Belief, and our faith with the goal of growing as Christian Disciples.
- FINCH (**Room 203**) – Representing parents of children and youth, our studies hope to support and encourage you and your family. *(Does not meet in July)*

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

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

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 through June 28. Study will resume on July 26.

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

No Youth Sunday School this week

BRAVES GAME AND NEEDTOBREATHE POST CONCERT

This Sunday, July 16, the Braves play the Diamondbacks at 1:35pm. After the game there is a Needtobreathe concert. We will leave directly following the 10:30am worship service.

In Preparation for Worship

"The Christian faith is eschatological, always leaning into the future, standing on tiptoes, eager to see what God is bringing to birth among us."

~William H. Willimon



Gathering Prayer

Prelude

Prelude *Johann Sebastian Bach*

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Luke 11:2-4

Leader: As we gather today, we dare, as Jesus taught, to call to you, and humble ourselves before you.

People: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

Leader: As we gather today, we seek your ways, not our own:

People: **Your Kingdom come.**

Leader: As we gather today, we acknowledge our need for you.

People: **Give us this day our daily bread.**

Leader: As we gather today, we confess our shortfalls, and plead for your keeping.

People: **Forgive us our sins, as we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.**

Leader: And do not bring us into the time of trial.

People: **For yours is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Hymn #270*

O Lord, You Are My God and King *JERUSALEM*

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

God of compassion,
in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory and the genius of your love.
But we turn away,
distracted by our own plans and we lose sight of your vision for the Kingdom.
We confess that we often speak and act when we should listen for your leading.
We humbly confess that we neglect your call upon our lives.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Grant us wisdom to live in your light
and follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.
Hear now our silent prayers of confession... *(Silence is kept for personal confession)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,
People: 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 people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give God the glory, great things God has done!

Passing of the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Kay Loerch

Scripture Lesson

Luke 13:18-21, 17:20-21
pages 71-72 and 75-76 of the New Testament

Kay Loerch

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

Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

Faithful Friends is taking a "summer break" and will resume in September. We invite this age group (K-2nd) to remain in worship and enjoy the activities in our worship buckets; however, all children are welcome in our child care rooms.

Special Music

Two Minuets
George Philip Telemann

Colleen Murphy, Violin
Ansley Wassell, Cello

Sermon

"Thy Kingdom Come"

Shannon Dill

Hymn #175*

Seek Ye First *LAFFERTY*

WANTED: HEROES FOR OUR CHILDREN

Some exciting new changes are coming this fall in the learning opportunities we offer our preschool and elementary children. However, they can't make faith and friendship connections without lots of caring adult volunteers. We'll be providing more details in the coming weeks, but we ask that you begin to prayerfully consider how you may be able to help. Our needs will include:

- Sunday morning 3's, PreK and Kindergarten, 9:30am to 10:15am
- Sunday morning 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades, 9:30am to 10:15am
- Sunday morning 4th and 5th grades, 9:30am to 10:15am
- Sunday morning Faithful Friends for Kindergarten and First Grade, during 10:30am worship after Tell Us Our Story
- Sunday morning Welcome Wagon, Infants through 2's, 10:15am to 11:30am
- Feast 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades, 6:30pm to 7:15pm
- Feast 4th and 5th grades, 6:30pm to 7:15pm

We will provide all training and materials. We promise to keep it simple and make it fun. We guarantee you'll learn a lot about the Bible. We will work with your schedule and provide back up when needed. We will celebrate when you say yes!

Contact cathomas@slpres.org to say "I'm in!", "I'm thinking about it!", or "Tell me more!"

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 10:30am services through August 20. All instrumentalists and singers are welcome and appreciated! Contact Clair Maxwell if interested.

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, July 30 – Join us for breakfast (kids and youth) and lunch (everybody) as we celebrate the ministry of Emily Wilmesherr!

Friday, August 4 – Elementary kids and their families are invited to “Gear Up For School” with a fun night of family games. Great Hall, 7pm to 8:30pm.

Sunday, August 6 – Blessing of the Backpacks at both 8:30am and 10:30am worship. Bring your school backpack for a special blessing. We'll also collect extra school supplies for the Community Assistance Center, (CAC) or you can donate in advance via their web link: <https://tinyurl.com/CAC-Tools-for-Schools>.

Sunday, August 27 – Annual Pancake Kickoff, Children's Wax Museum (details below), and the unveiling of our incredible Bible Timeline installation! Breakfast begins in the Great Hall at 9am and continues until 10:15am.

Sunday, September 3 – Movie Morning! Children in PreK and Kindergarten will enjoy “Mischievous Sunday” in Room 121; kids in Grades 1 – 5 will love “Clive and Ian's Wonder Blimp of Knowledge”!

Sunday, September 10 – First morning of Sunday School fun for children, 9:30am to 10:15am Get ready for some fun changes!

Wednesday, September 20 – First Night of Feast! Children's Choirs begin rehearsals, delicious family dinners are back, and engaging new classes debut for all ages!

CHILDREN'S WAX MUSEUM: BIBLE TIMELINE EDITION!

This year our ever-popular Children's Wax Museum will serve as the “entry exhibit” to the brand-new Saint Luke's Bible Timeline! Each child who participates will give a “sneak peek” of a real person who was an important part of God's great story in the Old Testament. It's easy to participate: just sign up for a part in the main lobby, go home and learn a few key facts about what that person did to help God, then come on August 27 ready to “say your piece”! It can be one sentence or it can be three...just a brief “blurb” is fine. You'll say it to each group that stops to see you, so don't make it too long! A selection of costumes will be provided if you need one - you'll get an email about that once you have signed up.

Questions? Email cathomas@slpres.org.

Affirmation of Faith*

An excerpt from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.
We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves
and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the church.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”
Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

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

Minuet *Ludwig van Beethoven*

Song of Thanksgiving*



God, we hon-or you. God, we trust in you. God, we wor-ship and a- dore you.
Take what we bring, of-fered to you. Teach us to show your a-bun-dant bles-sings.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, a - men.

Prayer of Dedication*

Closing Hymn #363*

Rejoice, the Lord is King! *DARWALL'S 148TH*

Benediction*

Postlude*

Rejoice, the Lord is King! *arr. John Ferguson*

*Worship Notes: Thank you to Colleen Murphy and Ansley Wassell for sharing their talents with us this morning.
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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING— A brief congregational meeting will be held immediately following the 10:30am worship service this Sunday, July 16 to fill officer vacancies on the Session (Class of 2019 and 2020) and Diaconate (Class of 2020).



SAINT LUKE'S UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, July 30- Churchwide Luncheon or Cookout, Celebrating Emily Wilmesherr!
- August, Date TBA- Electronics Recycling Event at Saint Luke's
- Friday, August 4- Geared Up For School Family Game Night
- Saturday, August 5- Men's Breakfast Football Forecast with Tony Barnhart
- Sunday, August 27- Kickoff Sunday Pancake Breakfast
- Wednesday, September 20- FEAST Begins
- Weeks of October 15 and October 22, Family Promise
- Sunday, October 22- Bluegrass Mass Concert