

## CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor .....Rev. 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  
Administrative Assistant, CE & Music Ministry..... Liz Catlett  
Receptionist..... Sally Hawkins

## SAINT LUKE'S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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## SERVING TODAY

**Chapel Guild**- Bill and Ellen Womack  
**Open/Close**- Steve Klein

## LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

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## 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, Terri Potter,  
Whitney Samuelson, Steven Vivian

### Class of 2020:

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

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## DEACONS

### Class of 2018:

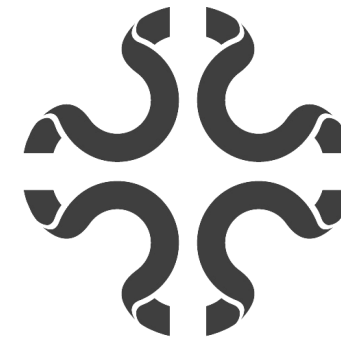
Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,  
Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*),  
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,  
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,  
Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell,  
Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

### 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 Cumiskey, Ron Davis,  
Kris Hull, Daryl Moore, Emily Ritzler,  
Vivian Smith, Suzanne Thatcher



SAINT LUKE'S  
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July 30, 2017

8:30am



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## July 30, 2017

Eighth 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 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](http://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** buckets 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.

### CARE FOR A REAL SCOTTISH HERITAGE

**EXPERIENCE?**— We are currently planning to host a trip to Scotland next spring from April 29 to May 7, 2018. We are looking for roughly 25 people to join us as we explore this exciting country and our Presbyterian roots (our tour guide is an ordained minister in the Church of Scotland!). Some of you may recall we visited Scotland a few years ago and had such a wonderful time we are going back! Please contact Phil Brown to add your name to the list and/or if you have any questions about the trip: [philbrown@slpres.org](mailto:philbrown@slpres.org).

### GATHER YOUR STUFF! ELECTRONICS

**RECYCLING EVENT**— The date has been set. September 17 at Saint Luke's. Please stay tuned for all of the details about this Saint Luke's Green Team sponsored event.

### SAINT LUKE'S UPCOMING EVENTS

- Friday, August 4-  
Geared Up For School Family Game Night
- Saturday, August 5-  
Men's Breakfast Football Forecast
- Sunday, August 6-  
Blessing of Backpacks at both services
- Sunday, August 27-  
Kickoff Sunday Pancake Breakfast
- Sunday, September 17-  
Electronics Recycling Event
- Wednesday, September 20-  
FEAST Begins
- Weeks of October 15 and October 22-  
Family Promise
- Sunday, October 22-  
Bluegrass Mass Concert

## ADULT MINISTRY

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

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Will convene on September 10 with a group meeting in the chapel at 9:30am to discuss the fall line-up. Individual classes will begin on September 17.

### 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.

## 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

Emily's Breakfast in Youth Loft TODAY at 9:30am and Luncheon in the courtyard, 11:30am.

### STAY TUNED FOR EARLY FALL CALENDAR NEXT WEEK

## In Preparation for Worship

"In Jesus Christ, the world was being reconciled to God."

~Confession of 1967, Presbyterian Church USA, 9.07



### Prelude

Now Thank We All Our God    arr. Paul Manz

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship\*

Based on Romans 1

Leader: We are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

People: **He is the One whom God promised to send, who died and rose for us.**

Leader: In Him we know we are beloved creatures of God, called to be saints.

People: **Grace and peace to all as we celebrate mercy and freedom,  
and seek to glorify God!**

### Hymn #17\*

Sing Praise to God, You Heavens    WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

### Call to Confession\*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

### Prayer of Confession\*

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We struggle to exhibit the righteousness shown to us by Jesus.**

**We fail to see strangers, or even neighbors, friends, and family members  
as your beloved children, and treat them accordingly.**

**We look to you, O Lord, for our freedom and redemption.**

**In Christ, let us be clear and committed to living as you will for us.**

**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

#### Scripture Lesson Romans 1:18-23, 2:1-6, page 152-153 of the New Testament

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

#### Tell Us Our Story Phil Brown

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

#### Sermon "Ungodly" David Lower

#### Affirmation of Faith\* from the Confession of 1967

In Jesus Christ,  
the world was being reconciled to God.  
Jesus Christ is God with humankind.  
Christ is the eternal Son of the Father,  
who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation.  
Christ is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to continue and complete His mission.  
This work of God – the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit –  
is the foundation of all confessional statements  
about God, humanity, and the world.  
Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

Clair Maxwell [clairmaxwell@slpres.org](mailto:clairmaxwell@slpres.org) / 770.393.1424 ext. 227

### CHERUB CHOIR DIRECTOR

We are looking for an energetic individual with a love of music to lead our Cherub Choir on Wednesday nights from 5:15 to 5:45pm as part of our FEAST program beginning in the fall. This group is comprised of our children 4 years of age through Kindergarten and sings twice a year in worship as well as periodically with the Westminster elementary-age choir. The Cherub Choir director works with the Director of Music to provide our youngest singers with the musical training and excitement that prepares them for a lifetime of singing. Music and instruments are provided. If you or someone you know would be a good fit for this opportunity, please contact Clair at the church office.

### ASSISTANT ORGANISTS NEEDED

Announcing a new opportunity to experience more about music and worship at Saint Luke's. Spend a Sunday worship service of your choice on the bench with Clair as he leads worship and learn firsthand all that happens "behind the scenes" at church. No experience or musical knowledge is required, and assistants of all ages are welcome to sign up as long as you can sit through an entire worship service. Once you choose a Sunday, Clair will contact you with the details. Sign up by contacting the church office, talk to Clair or online at the following: <https://tinyurl.com/AsstOrganistNeeded>.

### CHOIRS RETURN

Our Festival Ringers and Chancel Choir return to rehearsals on Wednesday, August 23. Bell rehearsal is at 6:30pm in the Bell Room and choir practice begins at 7:30pm in the choir room. New, former and returning members and friends are welcome!

### SUMMER SING SOIRÉE

Local composer Timothy Michael Powell, newly appointed Director of Choral Activities at Oglethorpe University, will be in the choir room at Saint Luke's to lead a **Summer Sing Workshop on Saturday, August 26, 10am to Noon**. We will sing excerpts from a Bluegrass Mass and from Timothy's piece, "Dear Appalachia," also written in the bluegrass style inspired by his childhood in the Dählonega area. It will be a fun time to make music, socialize and enjoy refreshments together. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend. This event is open to all who are interested.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 23 – Festival Ringers and Chancel Choir rehearsals resume  
August 27 – Kickoff Sunday – Chancel Choir returns to worship - 10:30 am (10:00 am warm up)  
September 20– Westminster and Cherub Choirs begin (also beginning of FEAST)  
October 22 – Bluegrass Mass concert with Choral Guild and bluegrass band – 4:00 pm  
December 10 – Toys for Tots concert with brass – 4:00 pm  
December 17 – Lessons and Carols service - 10:30 am

# SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**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!

## MOMMY & ME FLASHCARD PARTY

Our hand-colored sets of laminated flash cards to help refugee families learn English are almost complete! Adults and youth are invited to join us in the Session Room on Thursday, August 3 from 10:00am -12:00pm. Drinks and snacks will be provided. For more information please contact [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org).

## 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. 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](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org).

## 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

### 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.

## Holy Communion

### 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.*

## Communion Prayer

## Closing Hymn #643\*

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

## Benediction\*

## Postlude\*

Now Thank We All Our God *Johann Sebastian Bach*

*Worship Notes:*

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## SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



**SENDOFF FOR EMILY, SAINT LUKE'S STYLE TODAY**— Emily Wilmesherr's time in ministry is ending at Saint Luke's. She has done an amazing job over the past three years as our Youth and Children's Ministry Seminary Intern. We want to share our love and appreciation to her appropriately.

- 9:30-10:30am a small breakfast for children, youth, and their parents who want a smaller gathering to say goodbye.
- At the 10:30am worship service we will have a special time to say thank you to God for all that Emily shared with us.
- 11:30am Church-wide lunch in the courtyard.
- Monetary Gifts- If you would like to offer a monetary gift of appreciation you can drop cash or check made out to Emily Wilmesherr by the church office (*there is a basket behind Pam's desk*) or in a box for cards that will be at the celebration. DO NOT make the checks out to Saint Luke's. Please make them out to Emily Wilmesherr.
- Special thanks to Jan Slater, Florence Luranc, and Beth Underhill who have helped coordinate many of these events.



**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 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! 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](mailto:ddmoore@yahoo.com).



**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW) REGISTRATION** — On Sundays, August 13, 20 or 27, PW will have a registration table in the lobby. 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 September 11 or 12.

2nd Mondays, 9:30am (childcare available) / 2nd Mondays, 7:30pm / 2nd Tuesdays, 9:30am

This year the Bible study will be "Cloud of Witnesses, The Community of Christian Hebrews" by Melissa Bane Sevier. Stop by our table in the lobby on August 13, 20, or 27 for more information and to register. There is a cost for the study materials; so bring your checkbook. Contact PW Moderator Fern Mitropoulos ([tmitropoulos@comcast.net](mailto:tmitropoulos@comcast.net)) if you have any questions. Don't miss this special opportunity to study and grow spiritually with other women at Saint Luke's!