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Chapel Guild- Dan and Sally Joyce
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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, 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

DEACONS

Class of 2018:

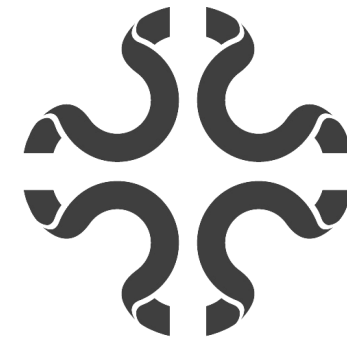
Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,
Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*),
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,
Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell,
Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

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
P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

August 6, 2017 8:30am



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August 6, 2017

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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

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.

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.

SAINT LUKE'S MISSION PARTNER, AIR-GUATEMALA, RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL PRIZE

— We are grateful and honored to announce that a long-time mission partner with Saint Luke's, the Alliance for International Reforestation (AIR-Guatemala) has been selected by the United Nations as one of the winners of the Equator Prize for 2017. This Prize is given every two years to 15 organizations—out of 806 nominations from 120 countries—that have demonstrated results in improving lives and natural resources through local leadership. Saint Luke's volunteers have worked with AIR for almost 20 years—including Rob Price and Les Woodsides this year.

One of the Mayan farmers who has worked with AIR for years, Doña Florinda Chonay, will go to New York City in September to receive the prize on behalf of "AIRES". Anne, her daughter Rebecca and colleague Cecilia Ramirez will also attend to watch the ceremony.

SAINT LUKE'S UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, August 6 - Blessing of Backpacks at both services
- Sunday, August 27 - Kickoff Sunday Pancake Breakfast
- Sunday, September 10 - Tartan Trot Sponsor Kickoff
- 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

Stay tuned for early fall calendar.

In Preparation for Worship

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

~Confession of 1967, Presbyterian Church USA, 9.07



Prelude

Adagio Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

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 #610*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God,

**there is no distinction between us,
for we have all sinned and fallen short of your glory.**

We have not always kept your words in our minds or in our actions.

We play favorites, draw boundaries, and neglect those whom we judge.

**Forgive us, we pray, and give us again the gift of your grace,
that we may be made right again through faith in 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

Scripture Lesson Romans 3:21-31, page 154 of the New Testament

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

Blessing of the Backpacks

Catherine Anne Thomas

Sermon What We (Should) Know Now

David Lower

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.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Clair Maxwell 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 - 10:30am (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 – 4:00pm
December 10 – Toys for Tots concert with brass – 4:00pm
December 17 – Lessons and Carols service - 10:30am

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

This 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 "Mischief 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. 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.

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

All Things Bright and Beautiful ROYAL OAK Sydney Moss, Soloist

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful:
The Lord God made them all.

Each little flow'r that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colors,
He made their tiny wings.

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one. Cecil F. Alexander

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

Communion Music

You Are Mine *David Haas*

Sydney Moss, Soloist

I will come to you in the silence
I will lift you from all your fear
You will hear My voice
I claim you as My choice
Be still, and know I am here

I am hope for all who are hopeless
I am eyes for all who long to see
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light
Come and rest in Me

Do not be afraid, I am with you
I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me
I will bring you home
I love you and you are mine

I am strength for all the despairing
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame
All the blind will see,
the lame will all run free
And all will know My name

I am the Word that leads all to freedom
I am the peace the world cannot give
I will call your name,
embracing all your pain
Stand up, now, walk, and live

Closing Hymn #366*

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling *HYFRYDOL*

Benediction*

Postlude*

Rondo *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

*Worship Notes: Special thanks to Sydney Moss for sharing her talents with us today.
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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



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) if you have any questions. Don't miss this special opportunity to study and grow spiritually with other women at Saint Luke's!



DUNWOODY HIGH SCHOOL (DHS) RESERVED PARKING — School starts back on

Monday, August 7 and the lower Manhasset lot is reserved for DHS students. Saint Luke's has sold all 80 spaces to DHS students for the coming school year. Thank you, in advance, for parking in non-numbered spaces.