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Director of Children's Ministries ..... Catherine Anne Thomas  
Director of Saint Luke's Little Saints Preschool ..... Carol Perry  
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## SERVING TODAY

**Chancel Guild**– Bona and Carol Allen

**Greeter**– Thomas Brown

**Lay Reader**– Katie Miller

**Open/Close**– Josh Nunez

**Sound Crew**– Bob Burroughs and Cameron Wescott

**Ushers**– Mark Reed, Captain; Gerald Aldridge, Al Bridges,  
Dan Joyce, Tom Loftis, and John Massey

## 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, JJ Singley, Kelly Sloan,  
Steve Thornton, Brad Troha

## DEACONS

### Class of 2018:

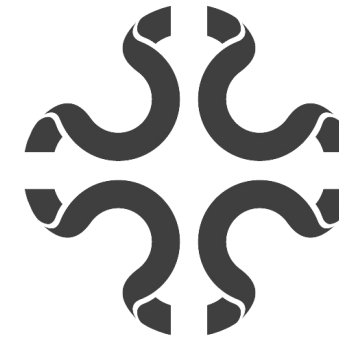
Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,  
Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*),  
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,  
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,  
Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell,  
Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

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



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August 20, 2017

10:30am



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**August 20, 2017**

Ordinary Time

**Liturgical Color:** Green

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

*Today's flowers are given by Carol Sweigert, in memory of her husband, Dr. Roy L. Sweigert, Jr., who went to be with God on August 14, 2010.*

**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](http://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).

**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).

**IS YOUR SON LOOKING FOR FUN AND ADVENTURE?**

Calling all first to fifth grade boys to the Cub Scout Pack 764 Open House on Sunday, August 20, starting at 4:30pm in the chapel. Learn about all the excitement and adventure of Scouting at Saint Luke's! For more information, please contact Cubmaster Brian Anderson at [brian\\_m\\_anderson@hotmail.com](mailto:brian_m_anderson@hotmail.com).

**SAINT LUKE'S UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Sunday, August 27 - Kickoff Sunday Pancake Breakfast
- Thursday, August 31 - Saint Luke's Little Saints Sneak-A-Peak, 10:30-11:30am
- Tuesday, September 5 - Saint Luke's Little Saints First Day of School
- Sunday, September 10 - Tartan Trot Sponsor Kickoff
- Sunday, September 17 - Electronics Recycling Event
- Wednesday, September 20 - FEAST Begins
- Sunday, September 24 - Saint Luke's Little Saints 20th Anniversary
- Weeks of October 15 and October 22 - Family Promise
- Sunday, October 22 - Bluegrass Mass Concert

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Next Sunday, August 27  
Fall Kickoff and Pancake Breakfast  
Children's Ministries Living Wax Museum  
The Big Reveal of the "Timeline of the Bible"  
9am-10:15am

## ADULT MINISTRY

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

### KICKOFF SUNDAY AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On August 27, we will have the unveiling of our incredible Bible Timeline installation and the annual Children's Wax Museum. Many ministries will have information tables set up for you to peruse. Breakfast begins in the Great Hall at 9am and continues until 10:15am.

### 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](mailto:philbrown@slpres.org) / 770.393.1424 ext. 238

### HERE'S WHAT'S COMING UP IN YOUTH MINISTRY

August 20: Middle School Year Kick-off Pool Party, 1-3pm at the Strickland house. Food, fun and games along with parent meeting.

August 27: Kickoff Pancake Breakfast in the Great Hall.  
Sunday school and church.  
High School Kick-off at Top Golf.

## In Preparation for Worship

Notice that Paul is not asking his audience simply to practice self-control when provoked. They are to do more than refrain from repaying evil; they are to initiate doing good to opponents. This is much harder. But in doing so, Christians overcome evil with good, showing that they "cling to what is good," expressing the definition of true love.

~Elizabeth Shively, *The Working Preacher*



## Gathering Prayer

### Prelude

Prelude *Johann Sebastian Bach*

## Chiming of the Hour

## 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 #652\*

A Grateful Heart *ROCKINGHAM*

### Call to Confession\*

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Leader:** Let us pray.

### Prayer of Confession\*

**God of Grace and Mercy,  
our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide,  
and too deep to undo on our own.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name  
and what our hearts can no longer bear.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change;**

**open to us a future in which we can be changed;**

**and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image,  
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world...**

**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 12:1-21, *page 151-152 of the New Testament*      Katie Miller

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-2<sup>nd</sup>) to remain in worship and enjoy the activities in our worship buckets; however, all children are welcome in our childcare rooms.*

#### Special Music

The Fruit of the Spirit    *Dan Forrest*      Chancel Choir Ensemble

He that abideth in me and I in him,  
the same bringeth forth much fruit.

Love, joy, peace, patience, tenderness,  
goodness, faith, meekness and self-control.

*(John 15:5; Galatians 5:22-23)*

#### Sermon

"How It All Works"

Shannon Dill

#### Hymn #716\*

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending    *BEACH SPRING*

## 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 from 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 (10:00am 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](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org) / 770.393.1424 ext. 228

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**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 MINISTRIES NEEDS YOU!

Saint Luke's is ready to roll out a brand-new semester of fun and engaging classes for our children! We've kept some old favorites – but we're also bringing in some exciting new learning opportunities. Since our ministry with children is a church-wide partnership, we depend completely upon adult volunteers to immerse our children in the Christian faith - through learning, relationships, and experiences. We have spots open for Sunday morning and Wednesday evenings during FEAST. Please see Catherine Ann Thomas for full details and prayerfully consider a commitment to Children's Ministries. You can reach Catherine Anne Thomas via email at [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org).

### 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.

### 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

Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing *arr. Cole Reyes*

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace.  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of thy redeeming love.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be.  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander,  
Lord, I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer  
Hither by thy help I'm come.  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wandering from the fold of God.  
He, to rescue me from danger  
Bought me with his precious blood.

## 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 #761\*

Called as Partners in Christ's Service *BEECHER*

## Benediction\*

## Postlude\*

Fughetta *Johann Sebastian Bach*

*Worship Notes:*

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## SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW) REGISTRATION** — On Sundays, August 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!



**CELEBRATION OF THE NEW CAMPUS FOR REFUGEE FAMILY LITERACY SERVICES ("MOMMY AND ME")** — Join us this Sunday, August 20 from 4pm to 6:30pm for a community celebration of the amazing work God has done, with Saint Luke's help, to give compassionate support to resettling refugee families. The celebration will take place at the Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church (5140 Memorial Drive, 1 mile east of I-285), where this summer Saint Luke's has played a leading role in renovating the preschool building so that it can serve as the second site of the "Mommy and Me" program. Need a ride or willing to drive? Look to carpool from the Manhasset side. For those of you that would like to be a part of a carpool either as a rider or as a driver, just show up in the parking lot on the Manhasset side on Sunday evening. Plan for a departure from the parking lot no later than 3:30pm.



**DAVID LOWER TO PREACH AT DODD-STERLING** — This Sunday, August 20, David Lower will be the guest preacher at our sibling church the Dodd-Sterling United Methodist Church on Atlanta's south side. Rev. Eric Powell, who preached at Saint Luke's on April 23 this year, and the Dodd-Sterling UMC have invited Saint Luke's Presbyterians to join them for their worship and kickoff luncheon. Worship starts at 10:30am, followed by a picnic lunch, and on this special day everyone will be dressed casually.



**ACOLYTE TRAINING TODAY**— The acolytes will kick off the new school year with a training lunch today, August 20, immediately following the 10:30am worship service. Please meet in the Parlor. Parents do not need to stay, but could use some help. Training should last approximately an hour. If you can't make this week's training, we'll make arrangements for another date. Also, please welcome Cheryl Wellford as the new Acolyte Coordinator as of later this fall! We will work together as she learns the ropes during the next few months.