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Chapel Guild– Val DeFriece
Greeters– Thomas Brown
Open/Close– Josh Nunez

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:

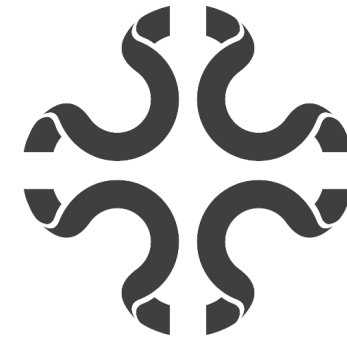
Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,
Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*),
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,
Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell,
Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

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 20, 2017

8:30am



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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.

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.

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.

SAINT LUKE'S UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, August 27 - Kickoff Sunday Pancake Breakfast
- Thursday, August 31 - Saint Luke's Little Saints Sneak-A-Peak, 10:30am-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

ADULT MINISTRY

Shannon Dill 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 / 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.
- 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*

Prelude

Prelude *Johann Sebastian Bach*

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 161-162 of the New Testament

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

Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

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

Sermon

"How It All Works"

Shannon Dill

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 Blue grass 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

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.

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

Chorale *Johann Sebastian Bach*

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 #761*

Called as Partners on Christ's Service *BEECHER*

Benediction*

Postlude*

Fughetta *Johann Sebastian Bach*

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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

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) 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.