

October 1, 2017

10:30am

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World Communion Sunday

**Liturgical Color:** White

**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 notebooks and lacing crosses 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).

**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 ..... Erin Rugh  
Church Administrator ..... Pam Melton  
Administrative Assistant, CE & Music Ministry ..... Liz Catlett  
Receptionist ..... Sally Hawkins

**SAINT LUKE'S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER**

**Georgia C. Griffin**, J.D., M.Div.  
Director, Perimeter Center  
Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist/Mediator

**SERVING TODAY**

**Acolytes:**

**Bell Ringer**– Jack Troha

**Bible Bearer**– Lilly Hamlin

**Candle Lighter**– Owen Hamlin

**Supervisor**– Leslie Hamlin

**Chancel Guild**– John and Ellen Massey

**Communion Servers**– Beth Underhill, Captain; Bob Crutchfield, Rich Crutchfield, Jared Elliot, Fern Mitropoulos and Terri Potter.

**Continental Breakfast**– Karleen Buchholz

**Greeter**– Anthony Favero and Diane Lemaster

**Lay Reader**– Beth Eisenmesser

**Open/Close**– Miles Young

**Sound Crew** –Bob Burroughs

**Ushers**– Kari Young, Captain; Ron Davis, Tony Mitropoulos, Miles, Clara and Cole Young,

**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, 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,

### SPECIAL GREEN TEAM SPONSORED EVENTS —

There are two exciting upcoming events sponsored by the Saint Luke's Green Team. On Saturday, October 7 from 4pm-6pm in the Saint Luke's chapel, there will be a screening of "Chasing Coral", a Sundance Award winning feature. This feature documents the invention of the first time-lapse camera to record coral bleaching events as they happen. With breathtaking photography, nail-biting suspense and startling emotion, Chasing Coral is a dramatic revelation. Please RSVP at this link: <https://chasingcoralatstlukes.splashthat.com>. Feel free to contact Dave Tharp with questions at [dltharp@bellsouth.net](mailto:dltharp@bellsouth.net).

On October 11, after FEAST, there will be a Solarize Dunwoody Workshop from 7:20pm - 8:30pm in the Saint Luke's chapel.

**TARTAN TROT SPONSORSHIP** — Thank you so much to all of those who have already pledged their support to the 2018 Tartan Trot! If you haven't yet had an opportunity, don't worry - we may have wrapped up our presence in the lobby, but you can STILL pledge. Help us fill our Sponsor board with your names. Sponsor cards are available on the table in the lobby OR you may confidentially email Laura Singley ([laurasingley@att.net](mailto:laurasingley@att.net)) with your pledge. Don't forget we have a fun tartan gift for every Tartan Trot sponsor. Please let Laura know if you need to collect your gift. Please visit the website for full race information. [www.tartantrot.com](http://www.tartantrot.com).

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS ARE A TIME TO FEAST**— All are invited to Saint Luke's mid-week programming: Feast! Come enjoy meals and faith formation opportunities (classes are grouped by age from 3 to adult) from 5:45 - 7:15pm each Wednesday and continues through November 1. Pick up a brochure in the lobby and register now on line! Or use the blue registration slip in your pew.

**TAVERN TALKS** — David Lower would like to invite the men of Saint Luke's to join him on the third Monday at 8pm to the Dunwoody Tavern for "Tavern Talks." This fall we will plan to gather guys together each month for fun, food, beverages, Monday Night Football, and conversation about life and spirituality. Bring a friend with you to be filled with good things! The Dunwoody Tavern, 5488 Chamblee Dunwoody Road. The next gathering will be October 16.

**FAMILY PROMISE DOUBLE HEADER** — Since it's been a while since we have been able to welcome homeless children and their parents at Saint Luke's, we are excited to offer the signup for two back-to-back weeks October 15-29. Yes, that's a mere four weeks from today. We would be especially grateful if you'd scroll in the signup to Friday, October 20 through Monday, October 23 and grab a slot or two while Betsy and I ( David King) are out of town and Beth Underhill is flying solo. Here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/SLPCFP2017-10> . We'll let you know closer to October 15 how many guests will be with us. Thanks so much for all you do for these families.

## In Preparation for Worship

"Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am."

— John 8:58



### Gathering Prayer

#### Prelude

Fanfare *John Cook*

### Chiming of the Hour

### Welcome and Announcements

*If you are new to Saint Luke's today, welcome, we are so glad you are here! We have a gift of fresh bread we would love to give to you as a token of our gratitude. Please introduce yourself after worship to receive your welcome gift.*

*After every worship service at Saint Luke's, there is a Stephen Minister in the Prayer Room (across the hall from the Chapel) available to hear your concerns or joys and help you offer a prayer to God. You are invited to receive this ministry of listening and prayer.*

*Please take the time now to fill out the Friendship Pads situated at the end of each pew. Write down your names and pass the pad down the pew, so that you may greet your pew neighbors by name and that we may know you are here.*

### Call to Worship\*

**Leader:** Come in glory, Lord God, to receive the worship of your church.

**People:** **We share one faith and are one soul and one mind.**

**Leader:** We are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup.

**People:** **We confess one name above all other names;  
we are obedient to one Lord, who frees us from the divisions of the world.**

**Leader:** We share one hope, one comfort, one goal.

**People:** **We are one people, united by our faith in you,  
united in blessing and in suffering, united in joy and in sorrow,  
united in strength and in weakness.  
God of Glory, receive our praise!**

**Processional Hymn #372\*** O for a World *AZMON*

### Call to Confession\*

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

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

**Leader:** Let us pray.

## Prayer of Confession\*

Holy and eternal God,  
just as you called Moses long ago,  
so you call each one of us to speak and act on your behalf in our world today.

Forgive us when we are hesitant to follow:  
when we question your call or make excuses for our abilities;  
when we complain about our lack of time or hoard our resources.

Give us courage to step out in faith,  
to follow where you lead without hesitation or fear,  
trusting that your presence goes with us,  
and that you will provide all that we need.

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\***                      Glory Be to the Father *GLORIA PATRI*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

## Welcome of New Members

## Passing of the Peace of Christ\*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

## Song of Invitation

*1st time: SOLO, 2nd time: ALL, 3rd time: ALL, quietly*

(Lis - ten) Lis - ten, God is cal - ling, through the Word in - vi - ting,

of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort and joy.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Phil Brown    philbrown@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 238

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

- October 1:      Youth Sunday school at 9:30am. Youth rooms.  
Middle School Youth at Saint Luke's, 5pm-6:30pm.  
High School Youth at Troha Home, 7pm-8:30pm.
- October 8:      Youth Sunday school at 9:30am. Youth rooms.  
Six Flags after church. Please sign up on line at slpres.org.
- October 15:     Breakfast out during Sunday school.  
Prayer Walk on Beltline. We will walk along the beltline learning about our city and saying prayers along the way. There will probably be some kind of pops involved too.
- October 27-29   Middle School retreat. Information and registration on Saint Luke's website.  
We will need adults for this weekend.

### PARENT RETREAT AT MONTREAT

February 9-11. Registration opens today, October 1. This will be an amazing weekend shared with people from around the southeast. Recharge, learn and grow as parents. Please visit [www.authenticparents.org](http://www.authenticparents.org) for more information.

# SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

## TRUNK-N-TREAT 2017

It's time to start dreaming up fun Halloween costumes and decorations for Trunk-n-Treat! This annual event is a perennial favorite with our church family, our Little Saints Family, and our Dunwoody community. Here are the details! On Sunday, October 29:

4:15pm – Cars begin parking in the Mount Vernon lot so that trunks and tailgates can be decorated. If you're giving out treats at your vehicle, please be sure and plan for at least 250. All who wish to compete for a "top three" prize should register and get a number at the side walk table upon arrival.

4:45pm – 5:30pm Carnival Games in the back parking lot. All people wearing costumes should register and get a label to wear so that our judges may identify you while you're playing games and collecting candy.

5:30pm – 6:00pm – Candy-collecting in the Mount Vernon parking lot. Costumed characters will visit each vehicle to get a treat!

6pm – 7pm – Dinner in the Great Hall featuring hamburgers, chicken tenders, and all the sides. Tickets are \$5 each and are available on our web site beginning this Sunday. We'll have a lively costume parade and hear the "Top Three" prize winners in each category.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT HELP NEEDED!

Our younger elementary class of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders is seeking adult volunteers. The class is immediately after dinner, 6:30pm-7:15pm. We're learning about character traits rooted in Christ, so what better way to teach that than by showing them your servant's heart?

We need TWO ADULTS for this coming Wednesday evening. Without assistance, our Director of Children's Ministries will be outnumbered 12 to 1. Our children are precious and delightful, but they need more gentle guidance than one person can provide. No real teaching is required – just a smile and the willingness to learn with our group.

We need at least ONE ADULT for ANY of the following weeks: October 11, October 18, and October 25.

Please respond to [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org).

## Scripture Lesson

Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17  
*pages 47-49 of the Old Testament*

Beth Eisenmesser

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

*Children ages 3 and under will be welcomed in our child care rooms (114, 117, 120). Faithful Friends (PreK, K, 1<sup>st</sup>) are encouraged to remain in worship today to experience communion and explore the additional worship materials in their notebooks and on the back window ledges of the sanctuary. Our Faithful Friends class will return next week.*

## Sermon

"God Shows Up, Calling"

David Lower

## Affirmation of Faith\*

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**

**in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Offering Invitation

*Giving is a tangible sign of worship. If you give electronically, there is a blue, laminated, electronic giving in the pew rack to place in the offering plate as it is passed.*

## Offertory

The Rice of Life I-to Loh

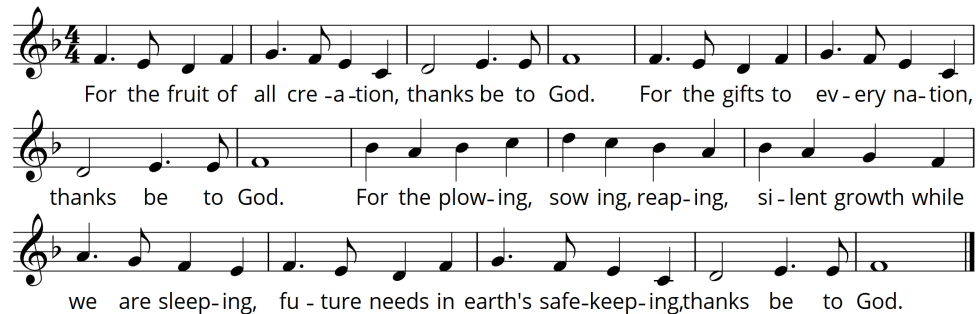
The rice of life from heaven came  
to bring true life from God above.  
Receive this gift; God's mercy claim;  
in joy and pain give thanks for love.

The rice of God for all is meant;  
no one who comes is turned away.  
Believe in Christ whom God has sent;  
in humble trust God's will obey.

True rice the hungry world has fed,  
the rice required for life below.  
Provide this gift; God's mercy spread;  
in weakness God's compassion show.

The living rice, for all a sign,  
came down eternal life to give.  
Abide in Christ, the living vine;  
in Christ, with people die and live.

## Song of Thanksgiving\*



For the fruit of all cre -a -tion, thanks be to God. For the gifts to ev -ery na -tion,  
thanks be to God. For the plow-ing, sow ing, reap-ing, si -lent growth while  
we are sleep-ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe-keep-ing, thanks be to God.

## Holy Communion

*When coming forward for Communion, please kneel at the closest available space to the center aisle. If you would like to be served where you are sitting, please raise your hand as the communion servers come down the center aisle and you will be served by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup). Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. Children who have discussed the sacrament with their parents and/or a pastor are welcome. A server with gluten-free bread will be standing at the center aisle. If you prefer gluten-free bread, please indicate your preference as you approach. Parents, please note the center rings of the communion trays are filled with wine. Only the outer ring is filled with grape juice.*

## Invitation to the Table

## MUSIC MINISTRY

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

### CHOIR REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAYS

5:00-5:45pm Cherub Choir, Ages 4-5, *Yvonne Miller, Director*  
5:00-5:45pm Westminster Choir, Grades 1-5, *Clair Maxwell, Director*  
6:30-7:20pm Festival Ringers, Youth & Adults, *Clair Maxwell, Director*  
7:30-9:00pm Chancel Choir, Youth & Adults, *Clair Maxwell, Director*

### AN APPALACHIAN BLUEGRASS CELEBRATION

An Appalachian Celebration, Sunday, October 22 at 4pm. Saint Luke's Chancel Choir and special guests The Choral Guild of Atlanta present a concert of choral music in the bluegrass style accompanied by a bluegrass band. Guest conductor is Timothy Michael Powell from Oglethorpe University. Karen Mosbacher, a local artist with synesthesia, will paint an original canvas while the Mass is performed. Synesthesia can be viewed as cooperation of the senses that can lead an artist to "see" the music. For church members, a discounted donation for this program is \$10 per adult.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

December 10: Toys for Tots concert with brass - 4pm  
December 17: Lessons and Carols service - 10:30am

## ADULT MINISTRY

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### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Individual classes have begun. Please see the website for a full description of each class. (<http://slpres.org/program-ministries/adult-ministry/sunday-school>)

Faith Foundations: Room 232  
House to House: Room 203  
Seasons of the Spirit: Room 231/233  
Soul Food: Room 234/236

### NEW MEMBER INQUIRER'S CLASS

If you are interested in learning more about Saint Luke's, the Presbyterian faith tradition, and what it means to be a member of this wonderful church, please join David Lower for New Member Inquirers Class on Sundays through October 1, 9:30 – 10:15am in the Session Room (room 109). New members will be welcomed during the 10:30am worship service on Sunday, October 1. Childcare provided during classes. Contact David Lower with questions: [davidlower@slpres.org](mailto:davidlower@slpres.org) / 770.393.1424, ext. 223.

### 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.

### MOM'S SMALL GROUP, "LOVE DOES"

A new small group for moms of all stages to explore all that God wants to do with us. This class meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at Shannon's home from 7:30-8:30pm.

### MOM'S MID-DAY GROUP, "ANIMATE FAITH"

Please join Shannon Dill and other moms to encourage, grow, and laugh with one another! This semester we'll meet on Friday mornings at 11am, through November 3 in the Session room (room 109). Contact Carol Perry, [carolperry@slpres.org](mailto:carolperry@slpres.org), to make a child care reservation (free of charge).

### FAITH AND PARENTING GROUP

David and Amanda Lower would like to invite Saint Luke's parents for a small group that will meet on the first Sunday of the month beginning October 1, 5:30-6:45pm. Casual dinner and childcare offered. Also, looking to add an additional date/time. More details to follow. Please email David Lower to sign up or ask any questions. [davidlower@slpres.org](mailto:davidlower@slpres.org).

## Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The congregation is invited to join in the call and response song below.

2    Minister/Cantor    All

San - to, San - to, San - to, San - to, San -

Minister/Cantor    All

to, San - to, es el Se-ñor, Dios del u - ni - ver - so; es el Se-ñor, Dios del

Minister/Cantor    All

u - ni - ver - so. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Heav-en and earth are

Minister/Cantor    All

full of your glo - ry. Ho - sa - na en el cie - lo. Ho - sa - na en el

Minister/Cantor    All *mp*

cie - lo. Blest is he who comes, blest is he who comes,

Minister/Cantor    *mf* All

comes in the name of the Lord; comes in the name of the Lord.

Minister/Cantor    *f* All

Ho - sa - na en el cie - lo. Ho - sa - na en el cie - lo,

Minister/Cantor    *mp* All    3

en el cie - lo; en el cie - lo.

## 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.

## Words of Institution

### Communion Music



"Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and nev- er be hun - gry.  
Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst."

## Prayer after Communion

### Closing Hymn #853\*

We Are Marching in the Light of God *SIYAHAMBA*

### Benediction\*

### Postlude\*

Finale from First Symphony *Louis Vierne*

*Worship Notes: Thank you to Dr. Benjamin Wadsworth, Associate Professor of Music Theory at Kennesaw State University for playing the organ this morning.  
Music: All rights reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net (A-719333).*

## SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



### CONVERSATIONS ABOUT WORSHIP —

Please join us, this Sunday in the Session Room, after the 10:30am worship service for a congregational conversation about worship. Worship is, of course, the center of our life together, the primary source of God's expression to us, and the chief means by which we practice faithful response to God. In these conversations, we will be asking each other questions like, "How would you describe worship at Saint Luke's?" and "How do you experience God in worship?" Our answers to those questions will yield insight and rich variety for us all to hear and enjoy. Everyone is welcome to attend more than one session, but priority will be placed on voices who have yet to be heard. All people and opinions will be respected and appreciated equally in our congregational listening.



### PARENT RETREAT REGISTRATION OPEN OCTOBER 1ST —

New parenting retreat that is coming February 9-11, 2018 in Montreat, NC. Five churches around the southeast and Montreat Conference Center have come together to start this unique retreat designed for parents of kids primarily with elementary, middle, and high school-aged children. It is a weekend for you to become more connected, relaxed, and faithful parents in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina. [www.authenticparents.org](http://www.authenticparents.org) for all the details. Talk to Phil about any questions.



### FAITH AND PARENTING GROUP MEETS TONIGHT —

Beginning this Sunday, David and Amanda Lower will host Saint Luke's parents for a monthly small group gathering at their home from 5:30pm-6:45pm. The group will share good company, getting connected, learning together and growing in faith. A casual dinner will be served. Child care will be provided. Please email David with any questions, [davidlower@slpres.org](mailto:davidlower@slpres.org).



### MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT GROUP MEETS TONIGHT —

The Marriage Enrichment Group will meet on Sunday, October 1, 5pm-6:30pm in the Finch Room #203. We meet once a month on Sunday evenings. There is childcare provided. Our goal is to enrich our marriages by intentionally spending time together as a couple, away from the many distractions of our busy lives. If you want more information or just want to come see what the group is all about, please call Mark Reed (404.441.7410).