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SAINT LUKE’S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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

SERVING TODAY

Chapel Guild – Dan and Sally Joyce
Continental Breakfast - Saint Luke’s Little Saints
Greeter(s) - JJ Singley and Carol Waller
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, JJ Singley, Kelly Sloan,
Steve Thornton, Brad Troha

DEACONS

Class of 2018:

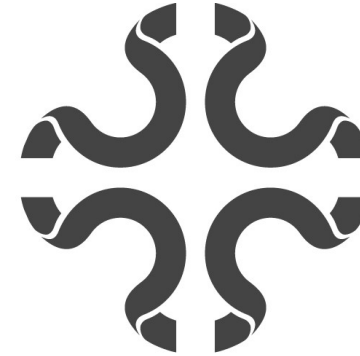
Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,
Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*),
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,
Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell,
Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

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 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

January 21, 2018 8:30am



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770.393.1424 www.slpres.org Office Hours: M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm

January 21, 2018

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Liturgical Color: Green

Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage the sense of sight in worship. Green is used for time periods marked as Ordinary time; Ordinary time is 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 notebooks and lacing crosses 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.

TARTAN TROT SPONSORS — We are just two weeks away from Race Day, February 3! Let us know if you have any questions and thank you so much for supporting the race! Rebecca Strickland and Laura Singley, Tartan Trot Sponsorship

1) REGISTER FOR THE RACE — Use your complimentary race registrations! It's a perk of being a Sponsor. Use them yourself or give them away. Register NOW to guarantee a race t-shirt. Here is the registration link: <http://slpres.org/serve/tartan-trot/tartan-trot-sponsor-runner-registration/>.

2) PAY YOUR PLEDGE — Drop a check off in the collection plate or the church office. Be sure to write "Tartan Trot 2018" in the memo line. Prefer to use your card on file at the church? No Problem! Simply send an email (laurasingley@att.net).

3) MEASURE UP — Tell us your t-shirt size (laurasingley@att.net), so you can sport your Tartan Trot gear around town.

SAINT LUKE'S MEMBERS COME THROUGH, AGAIN...It is with humble gratitude we report strong financial results for December and the full year 2017. The Lord has blessed Saint Luke's, again. Pledged giving came within 1% of total pledges for the year; a testament to meeting our commitments. Unpledged giving exceeded budget by a small amount. Many members who pledge also make donations above their pledge. Total expenses ended the year 2% under budget; we know how to manage expenses. The net result of income minus expenses is a \$30,000 surplus we will carry into 2018. The Finance Committee will prepare a formal yearend Financial Report for distribution prior to the Congregational Meeting on February 25.

CHILLY? CHILI! Adults are invited to the home of Mary and Billy Martin for a Chili Supper on Saturday, January 27, from 6:30pm-9pm, \$7.50/person at the door. Please RSVP on the poster in the church lobby, or please contact Mary Martin at marymckeemartin@gmail.com or Faye Cashwell at faye@cashwellhome.com.

WOMEN'S RETREAT, MARCH 2-4, DILLARD HOUSE — Registration is now open. Join us for a weekend of fellowship, fun and spiritual growth. Rev. Meredith Loftis will be the guest speaker. Deadline to sign up is January 28. <https://tinyurl.com/slpcwomensretreat2018>.

SAINT LUKE'S FRIENDS — please sign up for Continental Breakfast slots in 2018. It is a great way to meet new people and share hospitality. The sign up genius link is: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094daeac22aa8-continental>.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21:

9:30am PW Sandwich Project in the Great Hall

Everyone (high school & middle school) Great Hall, **4:30pm** (New time) to decorate. Need parents to help with hanging signs/banners. Anyone have an extension ladder we can use? Plan to finish 6:15pm-ish. **Dinner at Vintage Pizza** with your families. Families pick up at church and head on over. 10% of proceeds while there benefit Tartan Trot!

FEAST RUNS THROUGH MARCH 7 (EXCLUDING FEB.14's LOVE FEAST/PANCAKE SUPPER & SERVICE)

Begins January 24. Dinner at 5:45pm and Youth Gathering at 6:25pm.

Youth Gathering at FEAST: Mixed Bag. A fun mix of movies, running, playing, and creating. Every week will be a little different as we take a Sabbath break in the middle of the week.

CONFIRMATION CLASS:

For 8th graders, we will begin January 21, 3:30pm-4:30pm. You should have information if you are in the 8th grade. If you are not in the 8th grade and want to participate please let Phil know.

PARENT RETREAT IN MONTREAT, FEBRUARY 9-11:

More information here on an amazing weekend to recharge, learn, and grow as parents with people from around the Southeast. www.authenticparents.org. Let Phil know if you are interested in a roommate for the weekend. We have a female looking for a roommate.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT DATES:

We had to reschedule the high school retreat due to the snow. New dates are March 16-18. Same details as before. Still going to Mt. TOP. Still, need adults to come along with us. The new registration page will be up soon.

In Preparation for Worship

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

~Hebrews 11:1



Prelude

Prelude Joseph Haydn

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.

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

From Psalm 145

Leader: We give thanks to you, O God.

People: **And we, your faithful, bless you.**

Leader: We shall speak of your glory and tell of your power.

People: **We shall let all people know your glorious splendor.**

Opening Hymn #282*

Come Down, O Love Divine DOWN AMPNEY

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

God of Grace,

you give us what we need and satisfy our desires in due season.

Forgive the ways we seek things that do not satisfy.

Grant that our inner beings may be strengthened through your Spirit,

and that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith,

so that you may accomplish within us

far more than all we ask or imagine.

Hear us now as we offer our personal prayers of confession silently...

(Silence is kept for personal confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise #581*

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.

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(s)

John 4:46-54, Ephesians 3:14-21

pages 96 and 193 of the New Testament

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

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

David Lower

Sermon

The Power at Work

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.

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING 2018 EVENTS

Details to follow in future publications.

- PW Sandwich Project is Sunday, January 21
- Boy Scout Sunday is also January 21
- VBS is June 11-14

FEAST BEGINS JANUARY 24, DINNER AT 5:45PM AND PROGRAMMING AT 6:25PM

Heroes of the Bible, Age 3 through Kindergarten — We'll keep learning about the exciting adventures of people who did great things for God. We can do great things for God, too!

Grow Together Now, 1st Grade through 5th Grade — Our learning focus for this session will be Humility, Kindness and Cooperation. We'll examine these virtues through the lens of scripture as well as our own lives. This class learns through a lively assortment of group activities, so there is always something new.

SAINT LUKE'S LITTLE SAINTS PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

Registration for the 2018 ~ 2019 school year is this week!

Our accredited program honors the individuality of the child as we prepare each student for elementary school.

Children ages 12 months through Kindergarten enjoy learning in our beautiful classrooms under the guidance of our dedicated and experienced teachers.

Church members register on January 23; Current families register on January 24.
New community families register on January 25.

Questions or tours, Carol Perry, carolperry@slpres.org, 770.393.1424 x240

ADULT MINISTRY

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL *(all classes will join in the PW Sandwich Project this Sunday)*

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

Seasons of the Spirit: Room 231/233

Soul Food: Room 234/236

House to House: Room 203, "Popular" Series Begins January 7 (See below)

Based on the book, "Popular" by leading psychologist Mitch Prinstein, we will learn how our "popularity" affects our success, our relationships, and our happiness. Using the Bible as another reference (crazy, right!?) we will see how God actually lays out a plan for the kind of "popularity" that lasts. Navigating the world of cliques, social media, and fleeting friendships even more challenging for our children than it was for us. Our hope is that the discussion will produce helpful tools to better understand ourselves, our children, and each other. We will conclude on January 28 (January 21 is the Sandwich Project) in Room 203. 9:30am-10:15am.

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.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Clair Maxwell 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*

JOIN A CHOIR IN THE NEW YEAR!

Chancel Choir and Festival Ringers – resumed January 3

Westminster and Cherub Choirs – resume January 24

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

Themes and Variations *Joseph Haydn*

Song of Thanksgiving

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation *WESTMINSTER ABBEY*

Stanza 4

Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or to the Son,
laud and hon - or to the Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one:
one in might and one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Holy Communion

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 Music

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Sending Hymn #703*

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me *ST. CATHERINE*

Benediction*

Postlude*

Rondo *Joseph Haydn*

Worship Notes:

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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



THIS SUNDAY, HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE 10,000 SANDWICHES?

Come and find out at the annual Presbyterian Women (PW) Sandwich Project. We'll be making sandwiches for hungry folks around Atlanta that will be distributed to five homeless shelters. Both young and old can help make sandwiches, so plan to attend! The fun starts at 9:30am. Additionally, this winter weather is cold, so we'll be collecting mittens and gloves for those in need. See our display in the lobby to sponsor a box of sandwiches for \$25! All donations help offset the cost of sandwiches.



FEAST BEGINS JANUARY 24 — FEAST will run for six Wednesdays (not including

Ash Wednesday, February 14.) Dinner at 5:45pm/Programs at 6:25pm. Please register on our website at the following link: <http://slpres.org/feastregspring2018/>.

The Adult Class series will be entitled, Getting to Know the Gospel of John. Come join pastors David and Shannon to get to know John, and the God to whom his gospel points, in meaningful and engaging ways!

Children's Classes: Heroes of the Bible for ages 3 through Kindergarten. Grow Together Now for 1st through 5th grade.

Youth Gathering: Mixed Bag- A fun mix of movies, running, playing, and creating. Every week will be a little different as we take a Sabbath break in the middle of the week.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW) 2018 VALENTINE BOXES — Presbyterian Women

(PW) of SLPC will send approximately 70 Valentine Boxes to college students, military family members, and our homebound members. We invite your help in the following ways:

SUBMIT name and address of individuals you'd like included to Liz Catlett in the church office, lizcatlett@slpres.org, by Thursday, February 1.

POSTAGE is around \$7.00 per box. We appreciate any donations to help in offsetting the cost. Drop off in the church office in an envelope marked PW Treasurer.

TREATS (candy, cards, snacks, hot chocolate packets, etc.) may be donated and placed in the parlor collection box (Room 145).

HOMEMADE treats are awesome! Individually wrapped treats may be brought to Parlor collection box on/before 10am on Wednesday, February 7.

TIME of fun and fellowship. Please join us on Wednesday, February 7 at 10am in the Session Room for filling each box with sweetness and love from our church family! The boxes will be mailed afterwards.

CONTACT Jean Cronan, cronan39@msn.com or cell 770.630.8423 with questions or for more information.