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SAINT LUKE’S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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SERVING TODAY

Acolytes:

- Bell Ringer**– William Tomsik
- Bible Bearer**– Nathan Shipley
- Candle Lighter**– Davis Fenger
- Crucifer**– Walker Wellford
- Adult Supervisor**– Cheryl Wellford

- Chancel Guild**– Bona and Carol Allen
- Continental Breakfast**– Amanda Dunnick
- Greeters**– Carol Allen and Diane Lemaster
- Lay Reader**–
- Open/Close**– Miles Young
- Sound Crew**– Brad Troha
- Ushers**– Ken Painter, Captain; Gerald Aldridge, Kari Aldridge, Mary Martin, Bob Schultz, and Chuck Seets,

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, Vivian Smith, Suzanne Thatcher



SAINT LUKE’S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2018 10:30am

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Liturgical Color: Purple

Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage the sense of sight in worship. Purple marks the seasons of penitence and preparation, Advent and Lent.

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 tactile activities 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, go to Faithful Friends (K-2nd) or go to child care (PreK and younger).

SAINT LUKE'S SUPPER CLUB — Come join with fellow Saint Luke's couples or singles for a potluck style dinner at a member's home! It's a great way to reconnect with old friends or meet new friends and share food, fellowship, and fun. The date is Saturday, March 10 around 7 pm.. Sign up on the poster in the lobby to host or participate. Call Fern Mitropoulos, 770.343.8996 with any questions. Please RSVP by Monday, March 5. Hope to see you there!

IOH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) provides transitional housing for homeless families. On the third Thursday of each month, when the adults have life skills training, Saint Luke's provides and delivers a meal which feeds about 10 adults and 15 children. Meal expenses are reimbursable by Saint Luke's. Volunteers are needed for the following Thursdays: March 15, April 19, and May 17. Please sign up in the church lobby or contact Al Bridges at bridgtr@aol.com or 770.394.6581 to reserve your spot.

FAMILY PROMISE — Family Promise will be gearing up for the week of March 18 when our guests arrive to begin their stay with us. Thanks to our Saint Luke's family for your generosity of time and spirit! Can you believe it takes over 250 volunteer hours to complete a host week? Here is the link to sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/FPSLPC23>. Thank you.

FROM THE GROUND UP, A DREAM

FULFILLED — Be a part of doing something really good right here in Atlanta. Join in the fun of helping Ms. Lisa Reyes and her daughter, Alexandria, build their Habitat house at 1484 Akridge Street NW. The fun begins on March 10 and continues for seven more days through April 28, skipping March 31. All workdays are Saturdays except for April 26, which is a Thursday. Invite your friends to join you! For Lisa, building her house will be a dream fulfilled, from the ground up!

The first workday, all volunteers meet at the Atlanta Habitat Warehouse at 824 Memorial Drive SE where they will enjoy a delicious breakfast.

We will have the usual car pool arrangement. If you need a ride or are willing to drive, meet at the church parking lot (Manhasset Street) in time for a 7am departure each workday. Register on the internet at the Atlanta Habitat Volunteer Hub Site using the following link. Please sign up a week prior to the day you plan to work:
www.stlukes.atlantahabitat.volunteerhub.com

Questions? Contact any one of the members of Saint Luke's Habitat Leadership Team. Email Daryl at ddmore@yahoo.com. The Team: Val DeFriece, Ted Guerrant, Diane Markel, TomMcIntosh, Daryl Moore, Bill Womack, and Ellen Womack.

THORNWELL — Join us June 7-9 for the Thornwell mission trip. This trip is perfect for any age. Grab your spot today!! For questions email Christine Crutchfield at gafrog01@hotmail.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

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

TODAY, FEBRUARY 25:

Sunday school at 9:30am-10:15am in Youth room.

TODAY, FEBRUARY 25, HUNGER WALK, GA STATE STADIUM (OLD TURNER FIELD)

The youth will walk with 16,000 people to help end hunger in Atlanta. The money raised goes directly to our ministry partners, the Atlanta Community Food Bank, and the Presbytery's Grants for Hunger Ministries. If you would like to support this cause, please place a check in Phil's box and mark Hunger Walk in the memo line.

HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT, MARCH 16-18

Registration is open: register under Youth Ministry on the website. We will need adults. Cost is \$120 per youth/ free for adults who come along. The cost includes transportation, meals (except for lunch on the way home), lodging, high ropes course, and programming. Registrations due March 1. Payments and paperwork March 10. We will leave Saint Luke's at 6pm on Friday and return mid-afternoon on Sunday.

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

CHASTAIN AT SAINT LUKE'S

Save the date, Sunday, April 22 at 6:30pm. Performing slots are open. Contact Clair Maxwell with your interest in participating. clairmaxwell@slpres.org.

In Preparation for Worship

"Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it"

- Psalm 118:19-20



Gathering Prayer

Prelude

Prelude Searle Wright

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.

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 John 10 and Psalm 23

Leader: O God in Christ, you are the good shepherd,

People: **you lead us to green pastures, to still waters, and restore our souls.**

Leader: O God in Christ, you are the gateway to abundant life.

People: **In you, goodness and mercy follow us our whole life long.**

Leader: Let us dwell in the house of the Lord with worship and praise.

Opening Hymn #720*

Jesus Calls Us GALILEE

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Holy God,
we confess to you and one another
that we have not always followed Christ's call or example.
We have looked for our own ways in and out, and therefore gone astray.
Lead us back into your fold and guard our souls.
Let us out to the abundant pastures
of righteous living that you have shown to us in Jesus.
Hear also the personal confessions on our hearts...*(Silence is kept for personal reflection.)*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.
People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise #468* In My Life LORD, BE GLORIFIED

In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

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 John 10:1-18, pages 97-98 of the New Testament

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

Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

Faithful Friends for PreK, Kindergarten and First Grade will meet today. Parents may register children in the narthex and pick up after worship in the Harbor. Parents may take their younger children (through PreK) to our nursery, Room 120 in Sheppard Hall.

Psalter #473 Shepherd Me, O God (Psalm 23) SHEPHERD ME

For today's incantation of the psalm, the choir will sing the verses, and the congregation will sing the refrain from the hymnal.

Sermon The Good Shepherd and The Gateway Kari Young & David Lower

Hymn #366* Love Divine, All Loves Excelling HYFRYDOL

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

LENT IS HERE!

Families with children are invited to pick up a Lent Activity Guide in the main lobby.
Prepare your hearts!

FEAST, 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! Room 120.

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; always something new! 1st- 3rd- The Dock and 4th & 5th- The Lighthouse.

FEAST VARIETY SHOW

Wednesday, March 7 at 6:30pm on the Great Hall stage. All acts and all ages are welcome!
Sign up on the poster in the lobby.

SHIPWRECKED!

Shipwrecked VBS registration will be "live" very soon. Get ready for an adventure to an uncharted "island" experience where kids are anchored in the truth that Jesus helps them in many ways to weather life's storms.

As our kids will soon be shipwrecked; your cast-offs can help our castaways! Here are some of the things needed for VBS. Bring all items to the office across the hall from the copy room. If you have questions or need us to pick up any item, please contact Catherine Anne at cathomas@slpres.org.

- Boxes- from medium to large appliance size.
- Dropcloths
- Long paper tubes- wrapping, carpet, etc.
- Clear Plastic Bowls- i.e. dollar store or leftover from catering.
- Clear Christmas Lights- only if you do not need them back.
- Artificial Palm Trees- can be returned.
- Tiki Torches
- Raffia or Straw Fringe

ADULT MINISTRY

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

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

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.

LENTEN JOURNAL/STUDY

To access the Lenten Journal/Study please go to this link: <http://tinyurl.com/slplclent2018>. The journal is entitled *Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*; a six week offering of prayer and reflection from the Society of Saint John the Evangelist and the Center for Ministry of Teaching at Virginia Theological Seminary. Everyone can sign up to receive daily videos - sign up here: <http://meetingjesusinjohn.org>. Hard copies of the journal/study are available in the church lobby.

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 in the pew rack to place in the offering plate as it is passed.

Offertory

Lord of the Small *Dan Forrest*

Chancel Choir

Praise to the Lord of the small broken things,
who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing.
who loves the lame child and the wretch in the street
who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.

Praise to the lord of the faint and afraid
who girds them with courage and lends them his aid,
he pours out his spirit on vessels so weak,
that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.

Praise to the lord of the frail and the ill
who heals their afflictions or carries them till
they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly,
to never be sick and never to die.

Praise him, O praise Him all ye who live
who've been given so much and can so little give
our frail, lisping praise God will never despise:
he sees his dear children through mercy filled eyes. *(Johanna Anderson)*

Song of Thanksgiving #606* Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
OLD HUNDRETH

Closing Hymn #187* Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us *BRADBURY*

Benediction*

Choral Response*

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me *WALK WITH ME* Chancel Choir

I want Jesus to walk with me, all along my pilgrim journey.

Postlude*

Postlude *Dale Wood*

*Worship Notes: This morning's organ selections are based on the hymn tune known as "Brother James' Air" and is most often set to a metrical version of the words to the 23rd Psalm.
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* please stand

SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



SAINT LUKE'S ANNUAL MEETING TODAY — The Annual Meeting of Congregation and Corporation is called by Session for this Sunday, February 25, 2018 immediately following the 10:30am worship for the stated purpose of: 1) Hear the report of Officer Nominating Committee and elect a new class of Elders and Deacons, plus fill any officer vacancies; 2) Hear the report of the Finance Committee on 2017 results and 2018 budget; 3) Approve Terms of Call for Pastors; and 4) Conduct any other business pertinent to the Congregation and/or the Corporation.

Please note, the **SLPC Annual Financial Report for Year Ending 2017** is available on our website. www.slpres.org, click on the resources tab at the top, and then scroll down to financials. Hard copies are available in the church office.



SAINT LUKE'S GREEN TEAM RECYCLE EVENT TODAY— The City of Dunwoody Electronics Recycle Event is today, rain or shine, beginning at noon for church members. The recycle event ends at 4pm. Please enter from the Mount Vernon Road side and exit on Manhasset.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS — Next OWLS meeting will be this Tuesday, February 27 at 11:30am. Luncheon and fellowship. \$6pp. Please sign up on lobby bulletin board. Questions? Please contact Nancy Self at nself@comcast.net.