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Senior Pastor ..... Rev. Dr. David Lower  
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Associate Pastor ..... Rev. Phil Brown  
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Director of Saint Luke’s Little Saints Preschool..... Carol Perry  
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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**- Rand and Sally Birsinger  
**Continental Breakfast**- “Shipwrecked” VBS  
**Open/Close**- Bill Womack

**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*), Flor-  
ence 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



**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**March 18, 2018 8:30am**



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Fifth Sunday in Lent

**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, Lent and Advent.*

**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](http://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** are a precious part of our church family, and we welcome them in worship. Worship notebooks and tactile activities 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.

**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 Thursday: May 17. Please sign up in the church lobby or contact Al Bridges at [bridgtr@aol.com](mailto:bridgtr@aol.com) or 770.394.6581 to reserve your spot.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW) BAKE SALE** — On Sunday, March 25, the PW will be offering two flavors of the mini loaf cakes for sale, \$4 each, Lemonade Cake and Carrot Cake. Both are perfect for Easter entertaining.

**HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS** — Need a little financial help with your first year of college?

Thanks to a generous gift from an anonymous donor, \$2,500 will be awarded to a high school senior who is enrolling in an accredited four-year college in the US. To be considered for this award, a student must be an active participant in the ministry and mission of Saint Luke's Presbyterian Church and must complete an application and submit it to the Saint Luke's College Scholarship Committee.

Applications are available in the church office or may be obtained from the church website, [www.slpres.org](http://www.slpres.org) (Resources Tab and then scroll down to Forms.) Drop off your completed application to Pam Melton at the Saint Luke's church office or scanned images may be emailed to [pammelton@slpres.org](mailto:pammelton@slpres.org). Deadline for submission: April 14.

**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 continues on March 17 and continues for six more workdays 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!

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](http://www.stlukes.atlantahabitat.volunteerhub.com)

Questions? Contact any one of the members of Saint Luke's Habitat Leadership Team or email Daryl at [ddmore@yahoo.com](mailto:ddmore@yahoo.com).

**OWLS** — The OWLS will take a small break and not meet in March. Please plan on joining the group at their next gathering on April 24.

**THORNWELL** — Join us June 7-9 for the Thornwell Mission Trip. This trip is perfect for any age. Email Christine Crutchfield with any questions, [gafrog01@hotmail.com](mailto: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, MARCH 18

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

Youth groups will not meet this week due to the high school retreat.

#### SIX FLAGS

Sunday, March 25. Registration is open on the website under youth ministries. We will leave after the 10:30am worship service. Also, that morning during Sunday School we will help with family promise clean up and have a church-wide brunch.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 7

Shari Wassell is coordinating a special tour of University of Georgia with Maddie and Callie Dill for Saint Luke's people. Leave at 7am return around 5pm. Sign-up and more details to come. Parents, we will need some drivers too.

#### SUMMER TRIPS

Thank you for your continued interest in summer trips. We are working on getting all the paperwork up on the website and will do so as soon as possible. Hold tight for right now. Dates, locations and estimated cost per trip are on the website under Youth Ministry.

## 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

Chastain returns on Sunday, April 22 at 6:30pm in the Manhasset parking lot. Invite your neighbors and friends to this annual celebration of music and fellowship. Tables and seats can be reserved through Liz in the church office, [lizcatlett@slpres.org](mailto:lizcatlett@slpres.org) but walk ups are welcome! Interested performers should contact Clair ASAP, [clairmaxwell@slpres.org](mailto:clairmaxwell@slpres.org).

## In Preparation for Worship

"The greatest barrier to someone achieving their potential is their denial of it."

~Simon Travaglia



### Prelude

Chorale Prelude Samuel Scheidt

### 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.*

### Moment for Recognition Saint Luke's Green Team

### Call to Worship\* (from Psalm 17)

[REFRAIN]



Lord, bend your ear and hear my prayer.

Hear a just cause, O Lord; give heed to my cry;

**Listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.**

Let my vindication come forth from your presence;

**Let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

Examine my heart, visit me by night,

**Melt me down; you will find no impurity in me. [REFRAIN]**

I have not regarded what others do;

**At the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.**

My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path;

**And my feet do not slip.**

I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;

**Incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,

**O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand**

**from those who rise against them. [REFRAIN]**

**Opening Hymn #404\***      What Is This Place  
*Stanza 1 – soloist, Stanzas 2 and 3 – All*

**Call to Confession\***

Leader: The Lord be with you.  
People: And also with you.  
Leader: Let us pray.

**Prayer of Confession\***

Gracious God,  
we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace.  
You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not.  
When it is threatening to declare our faith, we deny and hold back.  
We struggle to understand how to follow you with our whole life.  
Help us to be renewed in the way of Christ,  
willing to stay faithful in every moment, willing to go to every length.  
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  
In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.  
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

**Passing the Peace of Christ\***

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.  
People: And also with you.

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Lesson**      John 18:12-27, page 112 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.*

Catherine Anne Thomas

\* please stand

# S P L A S H ! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

## CHILDREN'S HOSPITALITY NEEDED

The first impression we leave with many families is the experience we deliver in our child care area. It is for that reason that we are offering ALL members the opportunity to serve in a new – and easy – capacity. This ministry is called Children's Hospitality, and it only requires 30 minutes of your time and a warm smile.

From 10:15am (at the conclusion of Sunday School) until approximately 10:45am (after Tell Us Our Story) our Hospitality volunteer will be stationed behind or around the preschool desk in Sheppard Hall. They will keep an eagle-eye out for visitors who may not know where to go, as well as for member families just to say "good morning".

Here is the link to sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/slpcchildhosp>.

## SHIPWRECKED!

Shipwrecked VBS registration is live! 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. Here are the links for registration.

3's through 3rd Grade: <https://tinyurl.com/slpcvbs2018-1>

4th and 5th Grade: <https://tinyurl.com/slpcvbs2018-2>

## VBS VOLUNTEERS (A.K.A. CREW MEMBERS)

Our castaways will need many crew members to guide their journey. Here are the links to sign up and get ready to set sail!

Adult "Crew Members": <https://tinyurl.com/slpcvolvbs2018>

Youth "Crew Members": <https://tinyurl.com/slpcyouthvbs2018>

## AND... IT GET'S EVEN BETTER

The only thing better than being "Shipwrecked" with VBS from June 11-14 is getting a beautiful "early bird" volunteer T-shirt! While supplies last, our first volunteers (there are quite a few) will receive their volunteer shirt NOW...no waiting around.

Adults and youth who have already volunteered may pick up their shirts this Sunday morning – or any weekday in the Christian Education office. We'll go ahead and put your name on a shirt if we see you on the Sign Up Genius...so hop on board this ship right away! After this initial supply runs out, others will receive their shirts on or before June 11.

## 2018 HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday, March 25-	8:30am Communion Service/ Chapel 9:15am Fellowship Brunch and Egg Hunts/ Great Hall 10:30am Procession of Palms Service/ Sanctuary
Maundy Thursday, March 29-	7pm Communion Service/ Sanctuary with dramatic reading
Good Friday, Friday, March 30-	6pm Light Soup Supper/ Great Hall 7pm Service/ Sanctuary with musical excerpts from Bach's St. John Passion
Easter, Sunday, April 1-	7am Sunrise Service/ Courtyard 8:30am/ Sanctuary 10:30am/ Sanctuary

## ADULT MINISTRY

**Shannon Dill**    [shannondill@slpres.org](mailto: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 6:40am-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.

## Sermon

"What a Friend We Have in Peter"

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.**

## 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

Offertory *Samuel Scheidt*

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

## 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.*

\* please stand

## 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.

### Words of Institution

### Communion Music

**Closing Hymn #418\***      Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

### Benediction\*

**Postlude\***      Echo Postlude *Samuel Scheidt*

*Worship Notes:*

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## SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



**NEW OFFICER LEADERSHIP TRAINING AND ORIENTATION** — Just a reminder that newly nominated officers begin their second training workshop this Sunday, March 18 at 4:30pm-6pm, Session room. Future training dates are April 15 and April 22.



**TAVERN TALKS THIS MONDAY** — Gentlemen, please join us this Monday evening, March 19, 8pm, at the Ye Olde Dunwoody Tavern, 5488 Chamblee Dunwoody Road. Please send Pam Melton an email at [pammelton@slpres.org](mailto:pammelton@slpres.org) so we can let the Tavern know a rough estimate of attendees. Grab a friend and come hang out for cheer and conversation!



**EASTER EGG HUNT AND FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH, 9:15am-10:15am** — Sunday, March 25. Our menu will be simple so you can even take it "on the go" if need be! The PW Bake Sale will take place on this Sunday, as well.

**3's and under** – 9:30am on the toddler playground.

**PreK/Kindergarten** – 9:40am on the big playground (located next to the toddler playground).

**1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Grades** – 9:55am in the church yard past the Columbarium (we will walk as a group from the Great Hall).

Parent note: Our Easter Eggs will be empty...just like the tomb on Easter morning! Children may visit the "prize station" on the Great Hall stage and select their small toys and candy appropriate for their age, allergies, and orthodontic considerations.

Member note: We invite our members to drop off individually wrapped Easter candy or other treats before March 24. Please avoid hard candy or other choking hazards. Look for the marked bins in the main lobby by our bulletin board and in Sheppard Hall under our bulletin board to the left of the Little Saints doorway.