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SERVING TODAY

Acolytes:

- Bell Ringer**- "Balcony Brigade"
- Bible Bearer**- Mary Cassin Thatcher
- Candle Lighter**- Davis Fenger
- Crucifer**- Eliza Thatcher
- Adult Supervisor**- Suzanne Thatcher

Chancel Guild- Roby and Andrea Price

Continental Breakfast- Join us at the Fellowship Brunch!

Greeters- Shari Wassell

Lay Reader- Brian Anderson

Open/Close- Steve Klein

Sound- Emma Troha

Ushers- Mark Reed (Captain); Dan Joyce, Tom Loftis, Ken Painter and Bob Schultz.

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, 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
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Palm Sunday

March 25, 2018

10:30am



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Palm Sunday

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.

Today's flowers are given by Terry and Donna Nall in memory of our parents, Billie and Shirley Nall and Ralph Cannady; and in honor of Donna's mother Faye Cannady.

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).

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. (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. Deadline for submission: April 14.

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.

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 April 7. (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

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

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

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

TODAY, MARCH 25

Sunday School- we will help with family promise clean up and have the church-wide fellowship brunch. We will leave after the 10:30am worship service for Six Flags.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, UGA

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. You will find the paperwork for our trips under Youth Ministry on our website. For questions, contact Liz Catlett, lizcatlett@slpres.org or Phil Brown, philbrown@slpres.org.

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 but walk ups are welcome! Interested performers should contact Clair ASAP, clairmaxwell@slpres.org.

PAUL'S SHIPWRECK, SUNDAY, APRIL 29

During the 10:30am worship service, the Cherub and Westminster Choirs will present the story of Paul's shipwreck from Romans in story and song. Plan to attend as our children guide us in experiencing the word of God!

In Preparation for Worship

This moment in the story asks us, "You want to see Jesus? Are you sure? Well, then, follow me." And we are going to want to look anywhere else but where Jesus will ask us to cast our gaze.
Karoline Lewis, A Blip In the Plan



Gathering Prayer

Prelude

For the Beauty of the Earth arr. Brian Childers Festival Ringers

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*

Leader: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: **Hosanna! Rejoice for the Lord is in our midst.**

Leader: He comes with joy and hope.

People: **He comes to set us free from fear.**

Leader: Hosanna!

People: **Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest Heaven. Amen.**

Processional Hymn #196* All Glory, Laud and Honor

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Merciful God,
once again we add our voices to the throngs who,
across the ages, have shouted "Hosanna!" at the coming of your Son.
We ask your forgiveness when we find ourselves unable or unwilling to follow.
May our songs, may our prayers, and may our gifts this morning
reflect our deepest desire to be more than spectators.
And in our lives, O God, may we truly be followers of your Son, the Savior.
(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.

Anthem Hosanna to the Son Westminster Choir, Festival Ringers
Jody W. Lindh Jill Hudson, piano

Hosanna to the Son of David,
blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
The people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem;
riding on a donkey's colt, he came, palm branches spread before him.

The disciples didn't understand what was happening at first;
but when Jesus, the King, was glorified,
then they remembered,
it had all been written. (John 12:12-16)

Prayer for Illumination

Brian Anderson

Psalter #364* Lift Up the Gates Eternal (Psalm 24)
Refrain- All, Verses- Soloists

Scripture Lesson John 12:12-27, page 100 of the New Testament

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

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Catherine Anne Thomas 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.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

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

*We will be flowering the cross on Easter Sunday at the 8:30am and 10:30am services.
Please bring a stem or two from your garden to participate in this Easter tradition.*

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.

Tell Us Our Story

Phil Brown

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.

Sermon

"Sir, We Wish to See Jesus"

Shannon Dill

Hymn #434*

Restore in Us, O God

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.**

The 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

I Was Glad *Charles H.H. Parry*

Chancel Choir

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces. (*Psalm 122: 1-3, 6, 7*)

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

Prayer of Dedication*

Closing Hymn #450*

Be Thou My Vision

Benediction*

Postlude*

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna *arr. J. Wayne Kerr*

Worship Notes:

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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



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.



WITH DEEP APPRECIATION — Our beloved Roby Price, the most faithful and creative building manager that has ever been, will begin a well-deserved retirement on May 31. There are no words heartfelt enough to communicate our gratitude for Roby's faithfulness, ingenuity and contribution to the way this church facility helps us share the gospel. We are thankful to continue being church family together, as Roby and his wife Andrea will remain at Saint Luke's in the next chapter of their lives.

As the process for what's next unfolds, we can all be deeply grateful for the many things that Roby means to Saint Luke's. We will have ample opportunity to express our gratitude in the months to come, including a celebration of service party.



CALLING ALL DANCERS AND LOVERS OF DANCE — Will you lead the Saint Luke's congregation with a flower dance on Easter Sunday? There will be a rehearsal on Saturday, March 31 at a time to be decided by participants. The dance will be performed at both 8:30am and 10:30am services, but you can choose your service. Email Amanda Lower at amandalower@gmail.com or call her at 847.373.8670 to let her know if you are interested.