

CHURCH STAFF

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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– Mark and Cathie Rogers
Continental Breakfast– Gerald and Kari Aldridge
Open/Close– Miles 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, J J Singley, Kelly Sloan,
Steve Thornton, Brad Troha

DEACONS

Class of 2018:

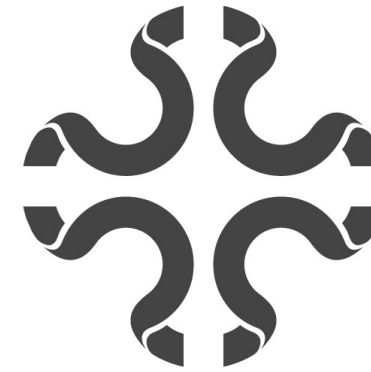
Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,
Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*),
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,
Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell,
Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

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



SAINT LUKE’S
P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018 8:30am

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Liturgical Color: White

Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage the sense of sight in worship. White is used for special seasons in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, such as Easter.

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 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 administrative office's hallway, on the first floor, near the main lobby.

HALFWAY THERE! A big thank you to you Saint Luke's members who have helped to build a Habitat house and home for Lisa Reyes and her daughter, Alexandria. That includes not only the volunteers on site, but those of you helping with the breakfasts and those of you cheering us on with your prayerful support. Register on the internet at the Atlanta Habitat Volunteer Hub Site using the following: www.stlukes.atlantahabitat.volunteerhub.com. Try to sign up a week prior to the day you plan to work. And if you need more time, then try to sign up at least three days prior to the selected work day. There is one Thursday - April 26. If you can work that day, great!

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. Questions? Please email Daryl Moore at ddmoore@yahoo.com with any questions.

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, deadline is April 18, lizcatlett@slpres.org. Walk ups are welcome! Open grill will be available along with \$1 hot dogs. Please bring a container of peanut butter for donation to Community Assistance Center.

OWLS — Please plan on joining the OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving, Seniors) group at their next gathering on April 24, 11:30am in the Session Room. Clair Maxwell will share a musical program after lunch. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the lobby.

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!

CALLING ALL SAINT LUKE'S WOMEN! You are all invited to the Presbyterian Women's Annual Spring Gathering on Monday, May 14, starting at 6pm for fellowship and punch in the lobby, followed by a potluck dinner and church service in the Chapel, led by our guest speaker, Reverend Betsy Turner. ALL are welcome, and it's a fun and casual event! Please register on the sign-up poster in the lobby. For questions, contact either Fern Mitropoulos: tmitropoulos@comcast.net or Sandra Dubois: sandradubois@bellsouth.net. 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 Thursday: May 17. Please sign up in the lobby or contact Al Bridges at bridgtr@aol.com or 770.394.6581.

THORNWELL — Join us June 7-9 for the Thornwell Mission Trip. This trip is perfect for any age. Thornwell Children's Home is located in Clinton, SC. Thornwell's foster care program, residential program, and family and educational support programs offer homes to at-risk children that are safe and loving, hope for a brighter future, and wholeness and healing. 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:

SUNDAY, APRIL 15: Middle school youth group, 4-5:30pm in Great Hall (note the time change). 6-8pm, Graduate dinner in the Great Hall. All high schoolers and their families should come. It's a great evening celebrating those who are graduating.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22: Youth Sunday, please be at church by 9am when parts will be assigned. Chastain at Saint Luke's in the evening.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29: Movie clip night with discussion about the movie Wonder. Middle school at church, High School at the Sargent/Hurst house.

SUNDAY, MAY 6: First Annual Youth Field day. Families (siblings too) are invited to a great afternoon of field games and a cook out, hosted by the Youth Leadership Council. Location TBD, time 4-7pm. We need some adults to help with food and set up (i.e. grill master and side cooker extraordinaire, table transportation, etc.) let Phil know.

SUMMER TRIPS: Thank you for your continued interest in summer trips, Please register ASAP! Dates and information can be found on the Saint Luke's website. There is still lots of room on all the trips.

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

SUMMER MUSIC

Musicians are needed for our summer services at both 8:30 and 10:30 worship. Dates this year are June 3 – August 12. Soloists, instrumentalists and small groups are welcome. Contact Clair about Sundays when you could share your gifts.

In Preparation for Worship

"I reckon the Lord knew that the only way to make a Christian out of that one, was to knock him off his horse."

- Flannery O'Connor, speaking of Paul



Prelude

I Danced in the Morning arr. J. Wayne Kerr

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: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Opening Hymn #248*

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God,
we confess to you that we have sinned.
We have not loved one another as Christ loved us.
We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven.
We have not given ourselves in love and service for the world
as Christ gave himself for us.
Pour your grace upon us,
So that we might live as you have shown,
and discover the joy toward which you lead us...*(Silence is kept for personal reflection.)*

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

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise #238* Thine Is the Glory
[REFRAIN- All]

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won!

Passing the Peace of Christ*

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson Acts 9:1-19a, *pages 127-128 of the New Testament*

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

Tell Us Our Story

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

Sermon

"Called to Pray Together" David Lower

* please stand

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Saint Luke's Presbyterian Church

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>

ONE MORE THING

We need regular, old cardboard boxes of all shapes and sizes for VBS. Please drop off on the Great Hall stage.

READY THE SHIP, VBS DECORATING!

Help us get Shipwrecked ready! Join us on the following days to help us decorate for our upcoming VBS. Contact Catherine Anne Thomas, cathomas@slpres.org for child care.

- Decorating & Desserts: Monday, April 23, 7- 9pm
- Decorating & Donuts: Friday, April 27, 9:15am - 12:15pm

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 6:40am-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.

TAVERN TALKS

Our next gathering of gentlemen will be Monday, April 16, 8pm at the Dunwoody Tavern.

LOVE DOES, DATE CHANGE

The "Love Does" small group will meet this month on April 19 at 7:30pm. Please contact Shannon Dill at shannondill@slpres.org for meeting location.

FAITH AND PARENTING, MAY MEETING

Please plan on gathering Sunday, May 20 at 5:15pm at the home of David and Amanda Lower. In early May, look for email details about dinner plans and topic for the meeting. Questions? Please contact David Lower at davidlower@slpres.org.

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

The King of Love My Shepherd Is *arr. Kenneth Leighton*

Song of Thanksgiving #232* Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Stanza 4

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.

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 #249*

Because You Live, O Christ

Benediction*

Postlude*

Up from the Grave He Arose *arr. John Ferguson*

Worship Notes:

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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



CONFIRMATION TODAY AT 10:30AM WORSHIP SERVICE—The confirmation process at Saint Luke's starts in January and ends today. The 8th grade students spent Sunday afternoons learning about what it means to be Christian, and particularly what it means to be Presbyterian. The class helped lead our Ash Wednesday Service, went on a weekend retreat, and wrote personal statements of faith. They were paired with leaders from the congregation, called covenant partners, who walked with them during this process. Today we celebrate their commitment to be active at Saint Luke's and in Christ's church. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

Confirmand

Claira Dixon
Jacob Eisenmesser
Danny Keohane
Catherine Kitchens
Gray Martinson
Jacob Moebes
Katie Moebes
Andrew Munn
Colleen Murphy
Thomas Rice
Maggie Ridl
Joe Schniederjan
Ben Shelton
Will Tomsik
Andrew Unold
Ansley Wassell

Covenant Partner

Jennie Burroughs
David King
David Lower
Mary Guerrant
Terry Nall
Mike Spears
Gena Spears
Brian Anderson
Annie Hardy
Nael McCarty
Jennie Burroughs
JJ Singley
Miles Young
Shawn Hamlin
Brian Anderson
Annie Hardy



WITH DEEP APPRECIATION — Our awesome Liz Catlett, a long-serving administrative assistant in the church office, will begin her well-deserved retirement around the end of July. There are no words to sufficiently convey our gratitude for her contribution to our vision to be a beacon of faith, hope, and love. We are grateful for Liz and her contributions to Saint Luke's. We'll have the opportunity to express our gratitude in the months to come, including a celebration of service party.