



SAINT LUKE'S

P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

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.

September 13, 2015 ✦ 11:00 a.m.



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16th Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color: *Green*

Green is used to represent spiritual growth.

Today's flowers are given by Kari and Gerald Aldridge in honor of Gerald's six brothers.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service

Nursery available at all services & Sunday School

SERVING TODAY

Acolytes Supervisor, Cailin Thelen
 Bell Ringer Christine Turnbull
 Bible Bearer Sydney McGoldrick
 Candle Lighter Elliott McGoldrick
 Crucifer Elise Hearn
 Water Bearer Carlisle Hearn

Chancel Guild Rob & Sarah Caverhill

Continental Breakfast Mangum Family

Faithful Friends Emily Wilmesherr

Greeter Billy Martin

Open/Close Steve Klein

Sound Crew Paul Clay

Ushers Captain, Langley Perry;
JJ, Laura, Casey & Jack Singley

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 Deacon Kristen Wescott, Elder Bill Womack, and our Pastors in the Narthex (Sanctuary lobby). They will answer questions and provide you with a Guest Packet and 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.

THAT ALL MAY WORSHIP

ASSISTIVE hearing devices, large print hymnals, large print bulletins and pew cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.

CHILDREN are a precious part of our church family, and we encourage all families to include them in worship. Worship notebooks are available on the back ledges of the sanctuary for preschool and elementary ages, and we invite all children to walk up for an age-appropriate message during "Tell Us Our Story" each week. After that time children are welcome to remain in worship, to play and hear a Bible story in **child care** (PreK and younger), or to learn more about our worship traditions in **Faithful Friends** (for K, 1st and 2nd grades).



In Preparation for Worship

“Most Christians today find Christological titles like ‘Messiah’ and ‘Son of God’ so shopworn they are devoid of meaning. The difficulty is not that they might convey inappropriate expectations about the ministry of Jesus, but that they do not convey any expectations at all. So, who do you say Jesus is?”

Pheme Perkins, *New Interpreters Bible*



Gathering Prayer

Steve Vance

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

Introitus *Gordon Young*

Welcome & Passing of the Peace

Phil Brown

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

* Call to Worship

from Psalm 96

Leader: O sing a new song to the Lord,

All: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

Choir: Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Leader: Proclaim God's salvation day by day,

All: Tell of God's glory among the nations and God's marvels to the people.

Choir: Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Leader: Let us worship God!

* Hymn #726

Will You Come and Follow Me *KELVINGROVE*

* Call to Confession

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

* Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed Your way. We protect what is dear to us and neglect what is dear to You. We preserve our own way of life and profit at the expense of others. Forgive us, God of grace. Show us the error of our ways, and guide us back to Your path of righteousness, justice, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord...
(time of silent confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer, Amen.

* **Assurance of Forgiveness**

* **Song of Praise**

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, amen.

Sacrament of Baptism

Katherine Isabel Rittenberry

Steve Vance

Parents: Robert & Bethany Rittenberry

Also here to celebrate with the family: Big Sister: Evelyn Rittenberry; Grandparents: Kristy & Bill Bowman, Kay & Bob Klose, Anne & Pete Rittenberry.

* **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.

Response Hymn #482

Baptized in Water *BUNESSAN*

Following the elder's statement, the congregation shall respond:

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Katherine into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support her, to share the good news of the gospel with her, and to help her know and follow Christ.

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

Parents may take their young children (through PreK) to our nursery, Rm. 121 in Sheppard Hall.

Parents of children in K, 1st or 2nd grade may take them to Faithful Friends in The Harbor, Rm. 213.

Morning 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.

Anthem

Soli Deo Gloria *Michael Praetorius, arr. Patrick Liebergen*

Chancel Choir

Soli Deo Gloria! Alleluia!
Glorify God alone! Alleluia!

First Lesson

Proverbs 1:20-33; page 552

Emma Troha

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson

Mark 8:27-38; page 41

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Who Do I Say You Are?
(One Word that Makes All the Difference)

Steve Vance

Hymn #216

Beneath the Cross of Jesus *ST. CHRISTOPHER*

Offering

Air Young

Giving is a tangible sign of worship. If you give electronically, there is a blue, laminated, 'electronic giving' card in the pew rack to place into the offering plate as it is passed.

* **Song of Thanksgiving**

We Give Thee but Thine Own *SCHUMANN*

We give Thee but Thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is Thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Commissioning of Church School Teachers

* **Hymn #826**

Lift High the Cross *CRUCIFER*

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude**

Carillon *Young*



Sunday Spotlights:



LILBURN SUMMER SINGERS kick off the 2015-2016 **Celebrate the Arts** season **TODAY**, Sept. 13, at 3 p.m. They will present a program of music by American composers spanning almost 300 years. The program will include works by William Billings, Randall Thompson, Eric Whitacre, André Thomas, Moses Hogan, and Stephen Schwartz. [Ed Weaver, conductor].



SEPT. 16 BEGINS WEDNESDAY NIGHT FEAST at Saint Luke's, a weekly time for fellowship, dinner, faith exploration, and choir rehearsals. Everyone is welcome to join us for any or all of the evening activities. **Pick up the new Feast brochure** for class descriptions, schedule, full menu, and registration form, or view it online at slpres.org.

HOLY ROLL-Y FUN! Kick off Feast on Sept. 16 with recording artist and Presbyterian worship leader Drew Wilmesherr, who will keep your toes tapping to new and old gospel favorites as we celebrate "Living God's Story" together. Bring a friend along for a delicious meal and fun evening that everyone will enjoy.



TARTAN TROT: TARTAN TIMES TEN Today is the last day of our four-week Tartan Trot Sponsor Campaign! While we will continue to welcome sponsor pledges until race day, this is the last day we'll be in the lobby with our super fun tartan gifts. Please stop by and fill out a Sponsor card. We'll be saving a Tervis tumbler or tartan key fob for YOU!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE TARTAN TROT!

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Catherine Anne Thomas
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FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Our weekly program during the 11:00 worship service, *Faithful Friends*, needs friendly adult volunteers to facilitate a pre-planned lesson with K-2nd Grade kids each week. Please use <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0444a9af2fa13-faithful1> to sign up for a Sunday or two. Thank you!

LOVE PRINGLES? Children's Ministries are collecting Pringle's potato chip cans for an upcoming Feast project. Please leave cans in the copy room in the administrative offices.

YOUTH CONNECTION

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Stay current with Saint Luke's Youth Ministry by signing up for text message updates. Dial 81010 and text:

for Middle School updates: youth, text **@6th-8thSL** parents, text **@MSparentSL**
for High School updates: youth, text **@9th-12thSL** parents, text **@HSparentSL**
for Youth Choir updates: text **@choirSL**

NEW YOUTH SCHEDULE FOR FALL 2015:

Sunday School • 9:30-10:30 a.m. Sun., upstairs in Sheppard Hall. Students explore how their faith connects to their life through fellowship breakfasts, service, scripture, spiritual practices, and visitors who will share how they live their faith outside the walls of the church.

Youth Choir • 12:15-1 p.m. Sun., choir room. Students learn to express their faith in Jesus Christ through music. It also gives them a place to develop musical skills and share their gifts in worship.

Middle School Sunday Nights • 3:30-5 p.m., Great Hall. Grow deeper with God through fellowship, games, and bible study.

High School Sunday Nights • 5-6:30 p.m. at someone's house. A relaxing evening of fellowship and deep Bible study.

Wednesday Night Feast • Dinner as a church community begins at 5:45 p.m. in the Great Hall. After dinner, middle and high school students have time together to grow in faith and in relationship with one another. Brochures are around the church and on the website.

Adult Volunteers are needed. If you are interested, please contact Phil (info above).

MUSIC MINISTRY

Clair Maxwell

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Weekly Choir Rehearsals:

Sundays	12:15-1:00 p.m.	Youth Choir
Wednesdays	5:15-5:45 p.m.	Cherub Choir
	5:00-5:45 p.m.	Westminster Choir
	6:30-7:20 p.m.	Festival Ringers
	7:30-9:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir

NEXT MONTH: A guest organist will accompany classic silent films! Oct. 2 at 7 p.m.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC We appreciate your financial support of the Celebrate the Arts concert series at any level. If you would like to make a contribution and become a Friends of Music patron, please contact Clair Maxwell (info above). Info and donation sheets are also available in the literature racks located in the narthex and the main lobby.

ADULT MINISTRY

Shannon Dill

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL classes meet between the worship services, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Descriptions of current groups are available on our website (slpres.org) or <http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool>. Please join us!

JESUS IN THE GOSPELS This fifth Disciple class studies the life and work of Jesus as described in the Gospels. Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m. Led by Sandra Clay & Carol Sweigert. Sign up with Liz Catlett: 770.393.1424, ext. 236 / lizcatlett@slpres.org. **Begins Sept. 15.**

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY Fellowship and Bible study every Fri. from 6:40-8:00 a.m. in the Parlor with Dan Joyce.

WEDNESDAY MORNING MOMS meet 10-11 a.m. on Wednesdays to discuss *Death By Suburb: How to Keep the Suburbs from Killing Your Soul*. Take this time each Wed. to stop, center yourself, and reconnect. Bring a friend and come as you are! 9/16-11/11. Contact Shannon Dill (info above) with questions.

IS YOUR MARRIAGE A LAUGHING MATTER? We are excited to announce our first 'Marriage Enrichment Group' (MEG) meeting of the 2015-16 season! Please join us for the video series *Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage* by Pastor Mark Gungor. **TODAY, Sept. 13, 5-6:30 p.m., Session room.**

OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors)

Have you ever wondered why some people seem unhappy in best of circumstances, and others can be cheerful and positive even under severe circumstances? Come hear Gerald Aldridge give a fascinating explanation as he presents a program on "Bright Lights and Dim Bulbs." Join us Tues., Sept. 22 at 11:30 a.m. for this 'enlightening' talk and a scrumptious lunch served by John and Karleen Buchholz.

UMBRELLAS AND GLASSES AND TOYS...

OH MY! Please take a look at our 'Lost & Found' in the Coat Room closet in the lobby. All items remaining in the closet after Oct. 1 will be donated to Goodwill.

FAITH & FILM meets the 3rd Fri. of each month in room 207. It's an informal opportunity to watch great movies and explore your faith; bring a friend! Potluck dinner at 7 p.m.; movie starts at 7:45 p.m. Please RSVP to Cindy or Josh Nunez at breakingbread14@gmail.com or 678.230.1236.

Sept. 18: Joshua *In this gentle fable about the Second Coming, a carpenter named Joshua (Tony Goldwyn) brings joy and light to every person he meets when he arrives in a small town. From troubled teens to a smitten TV anchorwoman to a frustrated wife, Joshua helps them all. But when word gets out that he possesses supernatural abilities, some folks in town show their concern. F. Murray Abraham co-stars in this life-affirming drama. 2002 G*

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING In partnership with the City of Dunwoody, Saint Luke's is hosting a city-wide electronics recycling and paper shredding event on Oct. 4. Watch the bulletin for a list of acceptable items. Also, throughout Saint Luke's there are now special bins labeled for recyclable materials. The Green Team is working hard to make Saint Luke's a better steward of our environment! Mark your calendar for the Oct. 4 event and let's fill up those new recycling bins.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A BIBLE STUDY for your elementary age student(s)? Just ASK! After School Kids (A.S.K.) is a weekly Bible study for K-5th graders from all different backgrounds, churches, and degrees of Bible knowledge. We meet each Mon. from 4-5:30 p.m. at Saint Luke's, Sept. 14 - Nov. 16 (10 wks). The fee is \$25, which includes Bible, lesson booklet, t-shirt, and tote bag. For registration and information contact Judy Weathers: weathers5002@gmail.com or 404.444.5002.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Make plans to join your Saint Luke's family in the Great Hall for a luncheon after the 11 a.m. worship service on the following Sundays:

Oct. 18 / Nov. 22 / Dec. 20 / Feb. 7

Mar. 20 / Apr. 10 / May 22

Meals are \$5/person (\$15/family max).

Watch the bulletin for RSVPs before each event; you're encouraged to invite a friend!

MOUNTAIN T.O.P. (Tennessee Outreach Project) **OCT. 22-15** It's time to register online and let Ted Guerrant know you're planning to attend (atlguerrants@bellsouth.net). www.Mountain-Top.org.

FLU SHOTS CVS will be here Sept. 16 to administer flu shots. The cost is \$30 (cash or check), although most insurance plans and Medicare cover this fee (Cigna does NOT cover off-site shots). Wed., Sept. 16, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Must be 13 or older. Please bring picture ID.

GOOD LISTENING is such an act of loving that we can even substitute it for the word "love" in St. Paul's magnificent passage from 1 Corinthians 13:

Listening is patient and kind; it is not jealous or conceited or proud; Listening is not ill-mannered or selfish or irritable; Listening does not keep a record of wrong; Listening is not happy with evil, but is happy with the truth. Listening never gives up; and its faith, hope and patience never fail...

It is when we learn to listen with sensitivity and concern that we truly learn to love!

- *Excerpted from James E. Sullivan's book,*

The Good Listener.

Allow a trained Stephen Minister to listen to your concerns. Please contact referrals coordinators Shannon Dill (770.393.1424, ext. 229) or Laura Strange (770.490.4395).

MEAL MINISTRY provides meals for members recovering from a surgery or illness, suffering the loss of a loved one, or celebrating a birth or adoption. If you are interested in delivering a meal or would like more info, please contact Sandra Clay: sandrabclay@comcast.net.

PRAYER MINISTRY The prayer team offers intercessory prayers to God on Sundays at 10:35 a.m. in Room 137. Please join us. Contact Paula Barbin: barbin@fulton.k12.ga.us.

VISITING CARE TEAM connects with members who are not able to come to church, but benefit from some personal contact with their church family. Contact Lucy Painter: lucypainter@comcast.net / 770.393.8044.

HELPING HANDS This ministry matches short term needs (like setting up a computer, driving a member to an appointment, changing light bulbs) with available resources (your time and talents). If you can help, contact Barry Smith: pseinc@mindspring.com / 404.731.7020. If you need a Helping Hand, contact your Deacon.

R.O.C.K. (REACHING OUT THROUGH CROCHETING & KNITTING) Men and women of any age and skill level are welcome to join us every Wed., 10 a.m. to Noon in the Parlor.

BUY SOME, SHARE ONE Support local food pantries by buying an extra item every time you go to the grocery store! Donations are collected in the main lobby. Donations go to the Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) and Community Assistance Center (CAC).

SAINT LUKE'S SERVES JOURNEY & IOH

Volunteers are needed for all months, from Sept. 2015 through Aug. 2016. Please sign up your family, group or class in the lobby or call Al Bridges at 770.394.6581.

JOURNEY Provides shelter and food for approximately 26 homeless men. Saint Luke's prepares and serves a meal on the fourth Sunday of each month. Eating with the men is encouraged and they enjoy the companionship.

INTERFAITH OUTREACH HOME (IOH) provides transitional housing for homeless families. On the third Thursday of each month, the adults have life skills training and Saint Luke's provides and delivers a meal (approx. 15 kids and 10 adults). Meal expenses are reimbursable by Saint Luke's.

FITNESS OPPORTUNITIES

- > **CHRISTIAN DANCE PARTY** / exercise class
Thurs., 7-8:00 p.m.; \$6/class. Ciara Simone:
CiaraSimone@yahoo.com / 404.454.7869.
- > **TAI CHI** Tues. & Thurs., 12:30-1:30 p.m.;
\$10/class. Sam Evans: educcons@aol.com /
678.650.2399.

FAMILY PROMISE You can help homeless children and their families by serving them right here at Saint Luke's through Family Promise North Fulton/DeKalb. **Our next hosting week is Sept. 20-27.** Sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/SLPCFPSep2015>. As always, the biggest skill requirements are your presence and a welcoming smile. Questions: David King (cardheel@yahoo.com) or Beth Underhill (bunderhill.mail@gmail.com)

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PRAYER GUIDE Sally Hawkins
Call Sally with questions or requests

CHURCH CALENDAR Bonnie Farrar
Call Bonnie (ext. 225) with schedule requests

ATTENDANCE

SEP 6	WORSHIP	NURSERY	VISITORS
8:30	43	0	6
11:00	143	14	14

Each Sunday, many of our pews have first-time or repeat visitors. Your smile and welcoming words express the hospitable character of this congregation. Your kindness makes a difference.

CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor	Steve Vance
Associate Pastor	Shannon Dill
Associate Pastor	Phil Brown
Pastor Emeritus	Dr. E. Moss Robertson
Director of Music & Organist	Clair Maxwell
Director of Children’s Ministries	Catherine Anne Thomas
Director of Saint Luke’s Little Saints Preschool	Carol Perry
Intern for Children & Youth Ministry	Emily Wilmesherr
Director of Communications	Tina Knoedler
Administrative Assistants	Liz Catlett & Bonnie Farrar
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Facilities Manager	Roby Price
Treasurer	Gary Phipps

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LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Assistant Clerk to Session*

ELDERS

Class of 2016:

Claire Cummiskey (*youth*),
 Rich Crutchfield, Mary Guerrant,
 Tom Loftis, David McKenney,
 Wayne Radloff (*Clerk*), Mark Ryan,
 David Tharp, Allison Thornton

Class of 2017:

John Eagar, Saralyn Hill,
 TJ McGoldrick, Paula Morris,
 Donna Nall, Gary Phipps,
 Rob Price, Pete Shelton

Class of 2018:

Gerald Aldridge, Carol Allen,
 Barbara Douglass, Anne Hallum,
 Dan Joyce, Jean Kammerer,
 Chip Williams, Bill Womack

DEACONS

Class of 2016:

Sandra Clay, Amanda Dunnick,
 Shawn Hamlin, Niki Rabren,
 Katherine Robeson,
 Rebecca Strickland (*moderator*),
 Jenny Troha, Michelle Vail,
 Meg Wallace, Hayley Wolfe (*youth*)

Class of 2017:

Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull,
 Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Kruse,
 Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,
 Sharon Polensek, Barry Smith,
 Russell Wolfe

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 Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,
 Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,
 David Stover, Shari Wassell,
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