

# **COMMITMENT SEASON**

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.



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#### October 11, 2015

20th Sunday After Pentecost

**Liturgical Color:** *Green Green is used to represent spiritual growth.* 

#### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service9:30 a.m. Sunday School11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship ServiceNursery available at all services & Sunday School

#### **SERVING TODAY**

Chapel Guild	. Paul & Val DeFriece
Continental Breakfast	Ferretti Family
Open/Close	Steve Klein

#### WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are delighted you are worshiping 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 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'S WORSHIP notebooks and activity sheets 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.

# In Preparation for Worship

Therefore, we *get to be* generous and gracious with our lives, pouring ourselves out and giving ourselves away to those in need. Such generosity is not a condition of being a disciple but a gift of being a disciple. *The Crossings* 



**Prelude** Andante Joseph Bonnet

Welcome

\* **Call to Worship** from Hebrews 4 Emily Wilmesherr

Leader: Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through

the heaven, Jesus, the Son of God,

People: Let us hold fast to our confession.

Leader: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,

People: So that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

All: Let us worship God!

\* Hymn #733

We All Are One in Mission ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

### \* Call to Confession

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Leader: Let us pray.

# \* Prayer of Confession

Gracious and loving God, we lower our heads before You and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are Yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if You are not involved in them and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things, we ask Your forgiveness and we also ask for Your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts to You at work in the world and in our lives. Remind us to be who You call us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us close to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. Hear us now as we pray silently... (time of silent confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,
All: Hear our prayer, Amen.
Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,
All: Hear our prayer, Amen.

\* Please stand

# \* 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.

# Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

Children are always welcome to stay in worship. However, parents may take your child(ren) to the nursery.

**First Reading** 

Hebrews 4:12-16; page 220

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

**Gospel Reading** 

Mark 10:17-27; page 46

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

**Sermon** Yes, Jesus Loves You Shannon Dill

#### \* 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

The Peace May Be Exchanged Dan Locklair

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

# \* Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

# The Lord's Supper

Communion will be served by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup). If you would like to be served where you are sitting, please raise your hand. Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. Children who have discussed the sacrament with their parents and/or a 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.

# 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.

#### **Communion Music**

# **Prayers of the People**

\* **Hymn #716** God Whose Giving Knows No Ending BEACH SPRING

\* Benediction

\* **Postlude** Toccata Joseph Bonnet

# Sunday Spotlights:

# **ふと、NEXT WEEK:** ONE WORSHIP SERVICE & A FAMILY REUNION PICNIC!

The entire congregation is invited to gather as one church family at 11:00 a.m. for worship and Holy Communion, followed by a "Saint Luke's Family Reunion Picnic" in the Great Hall. The church will provide meat entrees, and the sides, salads, and desserts will be potluck style. Bring your favorite "old family recipe" (double the recipe, please!) to contribute to the picnic feast. And bring a copy of the recipe to display next to your dish. There will be fun mixers, games, and activities, and a Photo Booth for some fun "family portraits." But it won't be the same if you're not there – we need **your** presence to make it a true church family reunion!

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE PNC? Since the Ministry Information Form (MIF) was approved by the Session at the end of May, your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) has received and reviewed about 130 Pastor Information Forms (PIF's) from potential candidates. We are thrilled to report that the candidate pool includes many strong and qualified candidates. At this point, we are narrowing down the pool, but we also are still receiving PIF's from interested folks and are carefully considering each of these.

The response to the Saint Luke's MIF has been incredible. As we had hoped, the candidates are impressed with Saint Luke's, our people, programs, mission, and spirit. Our website, in many cases, is the first impression of Saint Luke's (beyond the MIF) that folks receive; the messages, impactful graphics, and joyful spirit on the website have been invaluable.

As a group and individually, your PNC has covered much "due diligence" ground analyzing PIF's, listening to sermons, interviewing candidates, checking references, comparing notes and perspectives, praying, and visiting churches incognito. While there are no deadlines or time goals per se, we feel like the PNC is on track from the standpoint of schedule expectations. This process continues to be exciting and fulfilling as we seek to follow the Holy Spirit to the person God is calling to be our next Pastor.

Please continue to support our pastors in this interim period with your presence at worship and all the wonderful activities at Saint Luke's. We will continue to join with you in holding our entire church family in prayer. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to any of us with questions or comments.

Blessings,

Your Saint Luke's PNC

Bona Allen, Marylyn Brown, Bob Crutchfield, Ellie Eisenmesser, Tom Loftis, Cathie Rogers, Allison Thornton, Jenny Troha

# YOUTH CONNECTION

#### **Phil Brown**

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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: for High School updates: youth, text **@6th-8thSL** youth, text **@9th-12thSL** 

parents, text @MSparentSL parents, text @HSparentSL

for Youth Choir updates:

**Sundays:** 

text @choirSL

9:30-10:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School meets upstairs in Sheppard Hall

12:15-1:00 p.m. Youth Choir rehearsal

**TODAY** → 5:30-6:30 p.m. Family Night at Mellow Mushroom in Dunwoody

for all youth and their families

**Wednesday Night Feast** Dinner starts at 5:45; Youth classes/activities follow.

Oct 16-18 Middle School Retreat

Nov 6-8 High School Retreat

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 <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0444a9af2fa13-faithful1">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0444a9af2fa13-faithful1</a> to sign up for a Sunday or two. Thank you!

**WED. NIGHT VOLUNTEERS** On Wed. evenings, kids ages 4-5 will enjoy a video clip, music videos, games, lively activities, and take-home fun in our new series: Deep Blue. This is taught by a rotating schedule of adult volunteers – we sure could use your help! To sign up, go to: http://tinyurl.com/DeepBlue2015.

**TRUNK 'N TREAT IS OCT. 25** Mark your calendar, invite your friends, and don't miss this fun annual event! The fun & games begin at 4 p.m., followed by Trunk 'n Treating, a costume parade, and a Spooktacular supper in the Great Hall.

# **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 <a href="http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool">http://bit.ly/AdultSundaySchool</a>. Please join us!

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 (through 11/11) 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! Contact Shannon Dill (info above) with questions.

# **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	

**THANK YOU** to Tom Trenney and all who attended the Organ Recital and the Choral Workshop this past weekend. It was a time of fun and fellowship as we celebrated the arts at Saint Luke's together!

**MUSIC MINISTRY SUNDAY** is Nov. 15 – Save the date! Don't miss this special Sunday when all our choirs lead us in worship and celebrate the music ministry at our church!

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FEAST** at Saint Luke's is 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 Feast brochure** for class descriptions, schedule, full menu, and registration form, or view it online at slpres.org. Fill out a blue "Feast" pew card and drop it in the offering basket to make a reservation for this Wednesday night.

**MEG** (Marriage Enrichment Group) meets Sun., Oct. 18 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Session Room (rm. 109) Contact Al Bridges for info: bridgtr@aol.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN Circle meetings are held monthly in the Parlor the second Mon. at 9:30 a.m. (childcare available) and 7:30 p.m., and second Tue. at 9:30 a.m. For more information please contact Faye Cashwell: 770.409.1960 / faye@cashwellhome.com or Andrea Price: 770.551.0266 / andreacoppedgeprice@gmail.com

A PLACE TO CALL HOME Family Promise Founder Karen Olson will speak at an Oct. 16th fundraiser for the Family Promise of North Fulton/DeKalb. The "A Place To Call Home" benefit will feature graduate families from the program, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar. By the end of this event, you will have a greater understanding of the impact of homelessness on children and their families, the work of Family Promise, and how you can help make a difference. 7-9:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Roswell. \$30 per person. All donations are greatly appreciated and are tax deductible. https://www.familypromisenfd.org

SUPPER CLUB: NOV. 7 Let's enjoy some Fall fellowship! Join with fellow Saint Luke's couples or singles for a potluck style dinner at a member's home! You'll reconnect with old friends or meet new ones and share food, fellowship, and fun. RSVP on the poster in the lobby by Nov. 2 to host or participate. Call Fern Mitropoulos (770.343.8996) or Donna Nall (404.964.6933) with questions.

DIVORCE RECOVERY GROUP Are you or someone you know going through (or have gone through) the horrible pain of divorce? Many find it helpful to go through the process with others who understand; to have a safe place to express thoughts, feelings and fears; to be encouraged in the process of moving on with life in a healthy way. As a community of faith, this small group can bear one another's burdens, rejoice with those who are rejoicing and weep with those who are weeping. This new group will meet Tues. nights at Saint Luke's from 7-8:30 p.m. beginning Oct. 20. To decide if this group would be helpful for you or a friend, call Paula Morris: 770.570.9958.

#### OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

(ONC) Four members from the congregation are needed to serve as members-at-large on this important committee. The ONC nominates to the congregation 19 officers to serve as elders and deacons who will be elected in Feb. 2016. The term of office is one year, but the majority of work is done Nov.- Feb. If interested, please let Dr. Vance know.

# OCT. 27 OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors)

11:30 a.m. ~ Craig Gleason, professional singer/guitarist/songwriter, will entertain us with songs, story telling and humor. His music includes hits from 1920 all the way up to the 70's in the style of Chet Adkins, Gene Autry, Irving Berlin, Johnny Cash and even Jimmy Buffet. Don't miss this one! Sign up on the poster in the lobby.

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.

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 from now 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 <u>fourth</u> <u>Sunday</u> 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.

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## \*FAITHFUL FRIENDS: A NEW WAY TO

**GET THERE!** After *Tell Us Our Story* (during the 11:00 service only), parents of all K, 1st, & 2nd Graders may bring their student and "follow the cross." Lauren Fogarty will assist you at signing your child in to *Faithful Friends* and give you a security clip. Pick up your child after worship in The Harbor (upstairs, room 213).

#### **ATTENDANCE**

OCT 4	WORSHIP	NURSERY	VISITORS
8:30	37	3	1
11:00	206	28	12

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 PastorSteve Vance
Associate Pastor
Associate PastorPhil Brown
Pastor Emeritus
Director of Music & Organist
Director of Children's Ministries Catherine Anne Thomas
Director of Saint Luke's Little Saints PreschoolCarol Perry
Intern for Children & Youth Ministry Emily Wilmesherr
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# SAINT LUKE'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

#### **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

#### Class of 2018:

Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti, Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc, Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes, David Stover, Shari Wassell, Kristen Wescott