



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.

April 24, 2016 ✦ 8:30 a.m.



April 24, 2016
5th Sunday of Easter

Liturgical Color: *White*
White is used on days we celebrate the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, such as Christmas, Easter and Communion Sundays.

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

- Chapel Guild** Mark & Cathie Rogers
- Continental Breakfast** Youth
- Open/Close** Miles Young

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 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

And God loves us... God loves me and wants me to grow. I am trying, before I die, to learn to trust this continual going into the unknown. I better live a long, long life.

Joan Chittister, OSB *Called to Question*



Prelude

Adagio *Frank Bridge*

Welcome

* Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is alive!

People: **The grave could not contain him!**

Leader: And the news cannot be hidden!

All: **Come, let us worship the risen Lord.**

* Hymn #305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy *DARWALL'S 148TH*

* Call to Confession

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

* Prayer of Confession

Patient God, sometimes we are just too busy for our own good. We pledge ourselves to hectic schedules, demands on time, energy, and resources that erode all too quickly. We seem to be rushing through life and focusing on the wrong things. The cries of those in need often go unheeded in our blur of activities which sap our energy, our resources, our spirits. Slow us down a bit, Lord. Help us to hear the words of patient love that You have for us. May we take time to bear witness to that love in all that we do. *(time of silent confession)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

All: **Hear our prayer, Amen.**

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Song of Praise

Thine Is the Glory *JUDAS MACCABEUS*

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

Tell Us Our Story

Phil Brown

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

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 46:8-11; page 676

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Acts 8:1-8; page 126

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Scattered and Covered

Shannon Dill

* Hymn #307

God of Grace and God of Glory *CWM RHONDDA*

* Affirmation of Faith

from *A Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)*

All: In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

Leader: Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

People: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Leader: We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage

People: to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and
to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

All: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Offering

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** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* **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 #686** God of Our Life *MERTON*

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude** Allegro Maestoso *Frank Bridge*

Worship Note: We dedicate our choir robes in 11:00 worship this morning and look forward many years of wearing them as we celebrate music and musicians in our congregation. Our former choir robes were purchased in 1994, and they have been donated to the organization **Robe Gifting International** where they will be passed along to a church in need. Many thanks for those choir members and church families who have donated the funds to completely cover the cost of these magnificent new vestments. **Soli Deo Gloria!**



Sunday Spotlights:



CHASTAIN AT SAINT LUKE'S IS TONIGHT AT 6 PM! Bring bring a picnic dinner and enjoy a musical evening "Chastain-style" at Saint Luke's. The program features talented musicians from the congregation. If you didn't reserve a table, you're welcome to bring a lawn chair or blanket. In case of bad weather, we will move the event into the Great Hall.



\$2,500 SAINT LUKE'S COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP High school seniors: need a little financial help with your first year of college? An anonymous donor has created a Saint Luke's (SLPC) College Scholarship! \$2,500 will be awarded to a high school senior who is enrolling in an accredited four-year college in the U.S. To be considered for this award, a student: must be an active member of SLPC or a child or a grandchild of an active member; and must complete an application and submit it for review by Saint Luke's College Scholarship Committee.

1. Print an application from the website: www.slpres.org --> Resources --> Forms --> Saint Luke's Scholarship Application.
2. Drop off your completed application in the church office or mail it to the church to the attention of Lindsay Moss. **Deadline for Submission: May 7.**

Questions? Contact Mark Reed: Office 770.350.8005; Home 770.394.3423

MUSIC MINISTRY

Clair Maxwell

clairmaxwell@slpres.org
770.393.1424 ext. 227

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

SUMMER MUSIC SUNDAYS We are currently scheduling music for our summer worship services while our choirs take the summer off. If you play an instrument, take music lessons, or can't sing with the choirs during the year, this is your chance to share your gifts with the congregation. Music is needed at the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services from June 5 to Aug. 14; all singers and instrumentalists (as soloists or in ensembles) are welcome and appreciated! Contact Clair Maxwell (info above) if you would like to participate.

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Catherine Anne Thomas

cathomas@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 228

June 13-16 / 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

CAVE QUEST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT SAINT LUKE'S

Kids learn that Jesus is the one who lights our way and gives us hope! Online registration is open and filling fast: www.slpres.org/vbs-2016-cave/

WE NEED LOTS OF HELP to make Vacation Bible School a fun and memorable adventure for our young friends this summer! There are many ways you can support this important outreach program – please visit the info & sign-up board in Sheppard Hall or contact Catherine Anne Thomas (info above). Thank you!

VBS Volunteer training TODAY after the 11:00 service in the Session Room.

INQUIRERS/NEW MEMBER CLASS Join Shannon Dill for an overview of Saint Luke's and the Presbyterian faith. This is a great class for anyone exploring churches or interested in joining Saint Luke's. Meet Sundays (through May 1) from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Session Room. Childcare provided.

ADULT MINISTRY

Shannon Dill

shannondill@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 229

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!

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.

YOUTH CONNECTION

Phil Brown

philbrown@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 238

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**

May 1: Six Flags Register on www.slpres.org, under youth menu.

May 15: Mandatory Summer Trip meetings:

1:30 - 3 p.m. Mt. TOP Tool safety training. Bring a 16 or 20 oz. claw hammer.

3 - 3:45 p.m. Massanetta Springs

3:45 - 4:30 p.m. Montreat

May 22: End of the Year Parties

4 - 5:30 p.m. Middle School

6 - 7:30 p.m. High School

June 13-16: Vacation Bible School - youth volunteers needed!

Check out the huge sign-up board in Sheppard Hall.

APRIL 26: TRIVIA TIME WITH RON

VALDES! OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors)

Ron is so much fun and entertaining with our Trivia game. There are great questions and of course we all know the answers – we just can't always get them off the tip of our tongue! Join us for a very entertaining afternoon in which you will laugh out loud... more than once or twice!! We'll have a pizza lunch and lots of trivia.

Remember to sign up on the poster in the lobby. It's April 26 at 11:30 a.m. and the cost is still only \$6 per person.

CALLING ALL LADIES! Join the Presbyterian

Women on May 9th for our annual Spring Gathering! We will begin with fellowship at 6 p.m., a potluck dinner in the Great Hall, then a church service in the chapel. All are welcome; please register on the sign up sheet in the lobby. Questions? Contact Faye Cashwell: faye@cashwellhome.com or Andrea Price: andracoppedgeprice@gmail.com.

MEALS FOR IOH Help us support the Interfaith Outreach Home by preparing and delivering a meal on **May 19**. Saint Luke's will reimburse your expenses. Sign up on the poster in the lobby, or contact Al Bridges at 770.394.6581.

SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING

On Sun., May 8, our congregation will join with more than 200 Presbyterian churches in Georgia in support of the *Caring Hands Fund* for Presbyterian Homes of Georgia. Our gifts help to provide much needed care and services for more than 400 elderly residents who have outlived their financial resources. Donation envelopes will be in the pew racks.

INSTALLATION & RECEPTION Save the date for this happy day at Saint Luke's! David Lower will be officially installed as our Senior Pastor on Sun., May 15, followed by a celebratory reception in the Great Hall. More details to come.

THANK YOU for continuing to wear your name tag! You can pick up and drop off your tag each Sunday on the blue ribbons in the hallway between the narthex and the lobby. If you would like us to make a free name tag for you, please call the church at 770.393.1424 during office hours.

THIS SUMMER AT
CAMP LITTLE SAINTS

Saint Luke's preschool is offering two fun camps for kids who turned 2 by Sept. 1, 2015, through kids who have completed Kindergarten. Space is limited. Contact Carol Perry at 770.393.1424 ext. 240.

LITTLE SAINTS SCIENTISTS

May 31-June 3, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

This camp is for curious kiddos who love experimenting, questioning and discovering! Meet each morning in the Little Saints Science Room and explore the world of super cool science.

GONE WILD AT THE ZOO!

June 6 - June 9, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Pack your bags and join us as we travel to zoos all over the globe. We'll visit koalas at the Australia Zoo and giant pandas at the Beijing Zoo. In Peru, we'll go to the Tapiche Rainforest Reserve to see monkeys and toucans. Lastly, we'll travel to the Johannesburg Zoo in South Africa and hang out with the lions, zebras, elephants and giraffes!

WHEN THE KIDS ACT UP An amazing summer camp is offered by ACT UP (Arts, Creativity & Theatre Uniting People) ministry at Saint Luke's with the Missoula Children's Theatre. Children and youth (entering 1st grade - high school seniors) spend a week (July 25-29) learning and rehearsing "The Princess and the Pea," offering a free performance on Sat., July 30. 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Space is limited. Register online at www.slpres.org.

FINANCE SUMMARY

Month: Mar 2016	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Total Income	\$ 98,681	\$147,396	-\$48,715
Total Expenses	124,900	125,880	- 980
NET	-\$ 26,219	\$ 21,516	-\$47,735

Year to Date: March 31, 2016	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Total Income	\$501,328	\$552,826	-\$51,498
Total Expenses	403,679	414,901	- 11,222
NET	\$ 97,649	\$137,925	-\$40,276

Detailed reports available in the church office.

ATTENDANCE

APR 17	WORSHIP	NURSERY	VISITORS
8:30	50	6	13
11:00	286	17	31

CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor	David Lower
Associate Pastor	Shannon Dill
Associate Pastor	Phil Brown
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 & Lindsay Moss
Receptionist	Sally Hawkins
Facilities Manager	Roby Price
Treasurer	Gary Phipps
Assistant Treasurer	Mark Rogers

SAINT LUKE'S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

Georgia C. Griffin, J.D., M. Div.

Director, Perimeter Center

Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist/Mediator

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LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

ELDERS

Class of 2016:

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

Class of 2017:

John Eagar, Saralyn Hill,
TJ McGoldrick, Paula Morris,
Donna Nall, 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,
Hayley Wolfe (*youth*)

Class of 2017:

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

Class of 2018:

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



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