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SERVING TODAY

Chapel Guild- Val DeFriece

Continental Breakfast- Maker Fun Factory VBS 2017

Open/Close- Steve Klein

LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

ELDERS

Class of 2017:

Zachary Burroughs (*youth*),
John Eagar, Gil Hearn, 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

Class of 2019:

Al Bridges, Beth Eisenmesser,
Sonny Jester, Cindy Nunez,
Bob Pile, Bob Polensek,
Whitney Samuelson, Steven Vivian

DEACONS

Class of 2017:

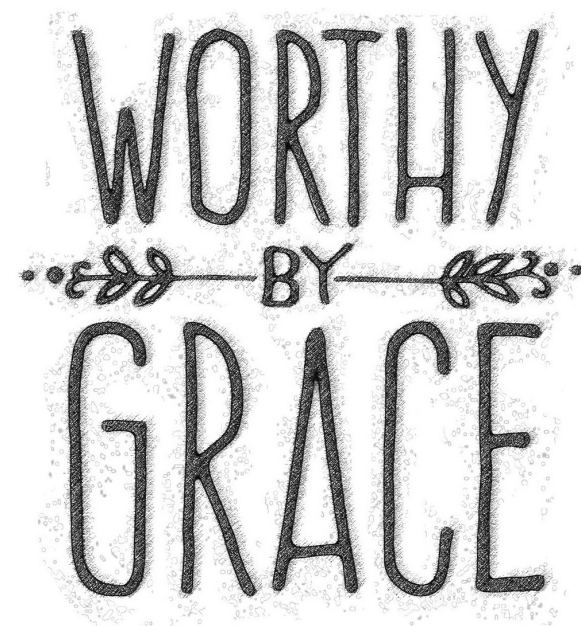
Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull,
Caroline Hurst (*youth*),
Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Brooks,
Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,
Sharon Polensek,
Rebecca Strickland (*Moderator*),
Russell Wolfe

Class of 2018:

Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti,
Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc,
Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes,
David Stover, Shari Wassell,
Kristen Wescott (*Vice Moderator*)

Class of 2019:

Melissa Blakely, Mark Douglass,
A.J.Favero, Carol Hickey,
Dorothy Kitchens, Richard Lawry,
Carol Waller, Al Wang,
Scott Zannini



WORTH FINDING

Third Sunday of Lent



SAINT LUKE'S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 19, 2017

8:30am



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1978 Mount Vernon Road Dunwoody, GA 30338
770.393.1424 www.slpres.org Office Hours: M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm

March 19, 2017

Third Sunday of Lent

Liturgical Color: Purple

Purple marks the seasons of penitence and preparation, Lent and Advent.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:30am Chapel Communion Service
 - 9:30am Sunday School
 - 11:00am Sanctuary Worship Service
- Nursery available at all services & 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'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.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT GROUP (MEG) — This group will meet tonight, Sunday, March 19 at 5pm in the Finch Room # 203. See you then.

OWLS MEET IN PURSUIT OF TRIVIA—Join the OWLS for trivia on Tuesday, March 28 at 11:30am. Our own Ron Valdes will share some interesting trivia with the group. Please sign up on the sign up sheet in the lobby.

HABITAT UPDATE 2017—Saturday, March 18, there is work for everyone! Sign up! Don't miss out on the fun and the learning! If working at the site doesn't work for you, consider providing breakfast for one of the Saturdays. We will have the usual car pool arrangement. If you want a ride or you want to be a driver, meet at the church parking lot (Manhasset Street) in time for a 7am departure. The day starts at 7:30am and ends at 2:30pm. Each person must sign up by the Wednesday of the week in which the work Saturday occurs by logging onto the Atlanta Habitat Volunteer Hub Site. www.stlukes.atlantahabitat.volunteerhub.com.

PW HOPS INTO ACTION FOR CHRIS KIDS—Your support brings Easter joy to some very special children and young adults. CHRIS Kids provides a safe environment and support for individuals who are homeless; in foster care; suffering from trauma or rejection; struggle with mental health issues; involved in juvenile justice; or have been victimized.

There are 4 ways to participate: 1) Pick up a bag from the table in the lobby and return by April 1. 2) Grab the Wish List, it lists a variety of items the organization needs. New or very gently used items are appreciated. 3) Make a monetary contribution to help sustain this life-changing organization; checks should be made to PW and write CHRIS Kids in the memo line. 4) On April 9, 12:30-2pm, meet us in the

Parlor to put the final touches on the bags. For questions or information, please contact Faye Cashwell at faye@cashwellhome.com or 770.409.1960.

FAITH AND FILM WAS POSTPONED—Faith and Film will resume in May where the group will view *Homeless to Harvard* and then in June they will view *The Martian*.

COOL MOUNTAINS OF GUATEMALA—In the middle of Atlanta's summer heat, please join our Mission Team on its' summer mission in Guatemala to build stoves, visit schools and plant trees with Mayan farmers. AIR-Guatemala is a long time partner with Saint Luke's and will handle ALL of the details except airline flights. Dates are June 4-10 and we need to know ASAP if you plan to attend. Please contact Anne.Hallum@AIRGuatemala.org for more info. We will share our faith by planting HOPE.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP—July 9-15, Make plans to be a part of our annual mission trip to the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico! We will work with an amazing Presbyterian church to help them expand their growing church facility. We stay in a great little hotel, eat yummy food, and share in the joy and fellowship of serving together! This experience is open to all church members ages 6th grade & up! We fly in/out of Cancun. Here is the link to sign-up: <http://slpres.org/2017-mexico-trip-registration/>. Please contact Shannon Dill for more information at shannondill@slpres.org.

THORNWELL MISSION TRIP—The dates are set! July 20-22. The cost per adult is \$160; youth are supported by the proceeds from Tartan Trot. This year we will have to limit our size to 50 volunteers. Questions or to reserve your spot for this amazing mission trip, contact Sally Shelton at sshelton@cwtvacations.com or 770.396.5156.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Phil Brown philbrown@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 238
Emily Wilmesherr emilywilmesherr@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 234

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us from 9:30-10:30am in the Youth Room.

YOUTH GROUP

High School youth meets from 6-7:30pm at the Troha home and dinner is provided. Middle School youth meet from 4-5:30pm in the Great Hall and snacks are provided.

HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Next Tuesday, March 21 at 7am. Jett Ferry Chick-fil-A

SUMMER TRIPS

Spots Open: We still have spots left on all trips. Let us know by March 22 if you are interested in going.

Adults: We need adults for all trips. Please speak with Phil if you can come along with the youth on any trip.

Summer Trip Forms: Your forms are due! Please get them in ASAP. Montreat and Massanetta trips forms need to be in by March 20 so we can avoid a price increase.

VIDEO RECORDING

Seeking interested youth who may want to help video during the 11am service. No experience necessary. Email Roby Price if you would like more details. robyprice@slpres.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Youth Sunday is April 30

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, Kelly Sloan, 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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Chastain at Saint Luke's- April 30, 6:30pm

In Preparation for Worship

“Now love’s the only thing that’s free. We must take it where it’s found. Pretty soon it may be costly.”
~Tracy Chapman



Prelude

What Wondrous Love Is This arr. Craig Phillips

Welcome

Call to Worship*

From Psalm 121

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills– from where will my help come?

People: **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: The One who keeps you will not slumber or sleep.

People: **The Lord is your keeper; your shade at your right hand.**

Leader: The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

People: **The Lord will keep your going and coming in from this time on forevermore.**

Hymn #415*

Come, Ye Sinners Poor and Needy RESTORATION

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 strayed from Your ways.

Like the Prodigal Son, we have wasted our inheritance.

You gave us the earth for our home, but we squander its resources.

You gave us neighbors to love, but we prefer ourselves.

You gave us commandments by which we could flourish,

but we break them and forsake Your love.

Draw our wandering hearts back to You

that we may find freedom in obedience to Your love.

Through Christ our Lord we pray...(time for silent confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise*

In My Life Lord, Be Glorified *LORD BE GLORIFIED*

In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today. (*Stanza 1, Hymn 468*)

Passing of the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Luke 15:1-32, *page 78-79 of the New Testament*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Tell Us Our Story

Emily Wilmesherr

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

Sermon

Phil Brown

Hymn #418*

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling *SOFTLY AND TENDERLY*

Affirmation of Faith*

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

ADULT MINISTRY

Shannon Dill shannondill@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 229

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Classes meet between the worship services, 9:30-10:30am. 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 Friday from 6:40-8am in the Parlor with Dan Joyce.

DISCIPLE SERIES

The final study in the Series, *Christian Believer*, focuses on essential doctrines of the Christian faith and makes connections between the doctrine and daily living. Classes are Tuesdays, 7-9pm.

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.

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Catherine Anne Thomas cathomas@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 228

EASTER EGG HUNT AND FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH

There is a new time format for this year's egg hunt and brunch. On Palm Sunday, Apr. 9, a fellowship brunch will be held in between services beginning at 9:30am. The egg hunts will take place during this time, as well. There are three different egg hunts which are divided into age ranges. Please join us for an intergenerational fun filled morning!

MAKER FUN FACTORY

Get Geared Up for Vacation Bible School! The opening whistle will sound on Monday, June 12 and the gates close on Thursday, June 15. On line registration via the Saint Luke's website is open and there is a discount if you register before April 15. Also, this Sunday, volunteer sign up sheets will be in the lobby!

SAINT LUKE'S WELCOME WAGON

We are seeking individuals to join the Children's Ministries Welcome Wagon Hospitality ministry on Sunday mornings. It's fun, easy and a great way to get to know families with children at Saint Luke's. Please email to cathomas@slpres.org and say "Sign me up!"

FAITHFUL FRIENDS

Please consider signing up for this wonderful and fulfilling ministry. Here is the link to sign up: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/20F0444A9AF2FA13-faithful3>.

2017 LENT AND HOLY WEEK, "WORTHY BY GRACE"

<u>Date</u>	<u>Occasion</u>	<u>Text</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Services</u>
March 19	Third Lent	Luke 15:1-32	Worth Finding	8:30am/11am
March 26	Fourth Lent	Luke 16:19-31	Worth Sharing	8:30am/11am
April 2	Fifth Lent	Luke 18:31-19:10	Worth Relating	8:30am/11am
April 9	Sixth Lent	Luke 19:29-44	Worth Following	8:30am/11am
April 13	Maundy Thursday	Luke 22:1-27	Worth Remembering	7pm
April 14	Good Friday	Luke 23:32-47	Worth Dying	7pm
April 16	Easter Sunday	Luke 24:1-12	Worth Saving	7am/8:30am/11am

Throughout the season of Lent, we encourage you to adopt a daily devotional practice. We suggest that you sign up for "d365," a daily devotional which can be delivered each day. Go to <http://d365.org> to sign up or for more information.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES

The remaining dates for the new member classes are:
March 19 and March 26 in the Session Room from 9:30-10:30am.

On March 12- We covered "Who Presbyterians Are"
March 19- "What Presbyterians Do"
March 26- "What Saint Luke's Presbyterians Are and Do"

Even if you missed last week, come join us to get connected and learn what this marvelous congregation is all about!

Please contact David Lower, davidlower@slpres.org or Shannon Dill, shannondill@slpres.org for more information or with any questions you may have.

SAINT LUKE'S STEPHEN MINISTRIES

Due West UMC & Cobb Sr. Services invite you for:
"A Day with Teepa Snow: Today's Voice for Dementia", Friday, March 31, 8:30am - 4pm, FLC

Due West United Methodist Church
3956 Due West Road, Marietta, GA 30064

This is a Free event open to family caregivers and professional caregivers. Teepa Snow is a renowned *Positive Approach To Care* educator and trainer.

Nicene Creed *(continued)*

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe one catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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 card in the pew rack to place in the offering plate as it is passed.

Offertory

Adagio Craig Phillips

Song of Thanksgiving* We Give Thee But Thine Own SCHUMANN

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.** (Stanza 1, Hymn 708)

Prayer of Dedication*

The Lord's Supper

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.

Communion Music

Closing Hymn #803* My Shepherd Will Supply My Need RESIGNATION

Benediction*

Postlude* Amazing Grace Craig Phillips

Worship Notes:

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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



SUPPER CLUB—Saturday, March 25, 7pm-ish. Come join with fellow Saint Luke's couples or singles for a potluck style dinner at a member's home! It's a great way to reconnect with old friends or meet new friends by sharing food, fellowship, and fun. Sign up on the poster in the lobby to host or participate. Call Fern Mitropoulos, 770.343.8996 or Donna Nall, 404.964.6933 with any questions. Please RSVP by Monday, March 20. Hope to see you there!



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY—High school seniors, need a little financial help with your first year of college? You may qualify for the Saint Luke's College Scholarship! Pick up and complete an application-available in the lobby or they may be obtained from the church web site, www.slpres.org. Look under the Resources tab and scroll down to Forms. Deadline is May 7.



CELEBRATE THE ARTS WITH THE ATLANTA GUITAR TRIO— Scott Plato, Adam Craighead, and Bill Hearn are the Atlanta Guitar Trio, and they provide audiences with exciting, fun, and entertainingly musical concert programs with music from many different styles. Sunday, March 26 at 4pm. All ages are welcome. Child care is provided. A free-will offering will be taken.