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SERVING TODAY

Chapel Guild- Dan and Sally Joyce

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:

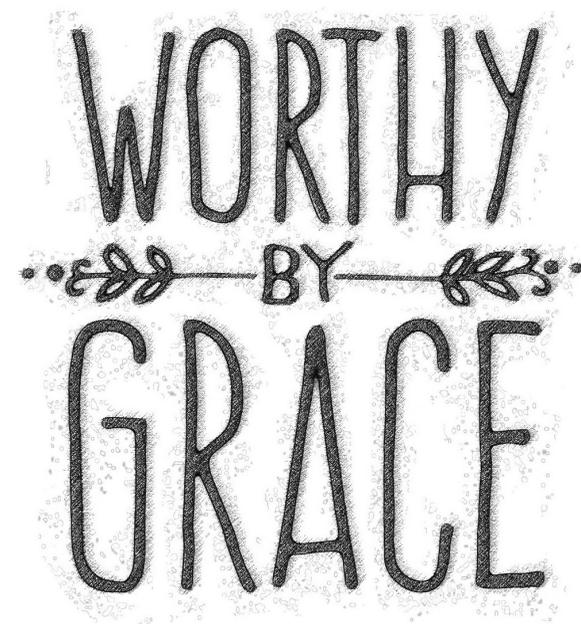
Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull,
Caroline Hurst (*youth*),
Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Brooks,
Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,
Sharon Polensek,
Rebecca Strickland (*Moderator*),
Russell Wolfe

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 FOLLOWING

Palm Sunday



SAINT LUKE'S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 9, 2017

8:30am

April 9, 2017

Palm Sunday

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.

HABITAT UPDATE 2017, ANOTHER HOUSE BUILT ON A DREAM

—Just three more Saturdays to go! April 1st was no joke for volunteers working to build Sonja Hodges' Habitat house. **COMPLETED ON THAT DAY:** shingling of the roof, insulation, and special siding on the gable over the front porch, front porch stairs, exterior white trim paint around windows and doors. The final three Saturdays will be devoted to painting the interior, installing soffit and fascia, installing kitchen cabinets and countertops, installing interior trim, installing porch and stair railings and landscaping. It is not too late to volunteer. Step up your giving game by donating some time to this amazing adventure. The house address is 1500 Monteel Drive, NW, 30318. We will have the usual carpool 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, ends at 2:30pm. Each person must sign up by the Wednesday of the week in which the work Saturday occurs. www.stlukes.atlantahabitat.volunteerhub.com.

CALLING ALL SAINT LUKE'S LADIES—You are invited to come to the Presbyterian Women's Annual Spring Gathering on Monday, May 8, starting at 6pm for fellowship and punch in the lobby, followed by a potluck dinner in the Great Hall and then a church service in the Chapel led by our guest speaker, Ms. Carrie Weatherford, Director of Children and Family Ministries at Roswell Presbyterian. All are welcome and it's a fun, casual gathering! Please register on the sign-up sheet in the lobby. For questions, please contact either Andrea Price, andreacoppededgeprice@gmail.com or Fern Mitropoulos at tmitropoulos@comcast.net. We sure hope to see you there!

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. This mission 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

Egg Hunt and Fellowship Brunch at 9:30am

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Groups will not meet today.

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

Rise Against Hunger (Stop Hunger Now) is April 23, 9:30am in the Great Hall
Youth Sunday is April 30

MUSIC MINISTRY

Clair Maxwell clairmaxwell@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 227

CHOIR REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAYS:

6:30-7:20pm Festival Ringers, *Youth & Adults, Clair Maxwell, Director*

7:30-9:00pm Chancel Choir, *Youth & Adults, Clair Maxwell, Director*

SUMMER MUSIC

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 4 through August 13. All singers and instrumentalists (as soloists or in ensembles) are welcome and appreciated! Contact Clair Maxwell if you would like to participate.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Chastain at Saint Luke's, April 30, 6:30pm in the Manhasset parking lot. Don't miss this fun evening of music and entertainment in the style of the Chastain amphitheater. Bring your own food, beverages and utensils and decorate your table (the church provides tables and chairs). Reserve your spot by April 12 through Liz Catlett in the church office: lizcatlett@slpres.org. Free childcare is available by reservation only.

In Preparation for Worship

Merciful God, once again we add our voices to the throngs who, across the ages, have shouted "Hosanna!" at the coming of your Son. Some meant it and followed. Some were simply there because it was something to see. Others would later add their voices to the ones that shouted "Crucify Him!" May our songs, may our prayers, and may our gifts this morning reflect our deepest desire to be more than spectators. May we truly be followers of your Son, the Savior. In his name, we pray. Amen.



Prelude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna! *J. Wayne Kerr*

Welcome

Call to Worship*

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors!

People: **That the King of Glory may come in!**

Leader: Who is this King of Glory?

People: **The Lord of Hosts, he is the King of Glory!**

Hymn #196*

All Glory, Laud, and Honor *VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN*

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Almighty God, Our Father,

we have sinned against you and one another;

we have sinned in thought, word and deed,

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to correct what we are,

and direct what we shall be as we seek to follow where Jesus leads.

Hear us now as we pray in the silence of our hearts...(time for silent confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

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

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise*

Hosanna, hosanna to Christ! Hosanna, hosanna to Christ! *(Hymn 199, Refrain)*

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 19:29-44, page 83 of the New Testament

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Phil Brown

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

Sermon

Worth Following

Shannon Dill

Hymn #200

A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd *CHRISTIAN LOVE*

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.

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 cathomass@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 228

REMEMBER THE EGG HUNT AND FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH

All are welcome! **Today**, Sunday, April 9 from 9:30-10:30am. Donations towards brunch will be graciously accepted.

VBS MAKER FUN FACTORY

Thanks to all the volunteers who have signed up to work in our Fun Factory! Many positions have been filled, but we do have a wide selection of openings. Please visit the volunteer board in our main lobby and tell us what you'd love to do!

CHILDREN'S WELCOME WAGON

Needed: friendly adult volunteers to serve as a Children's Welcome Wagon greeter in Sheppard Hall on Sunday mornings!

Duties include: directing families to children's classroom, making sure our child care staff has what they need, and a few administrative tasks to make sure our children feel welcome.

Hours: Sunday mornings (that you select) from 10:45am to 12:15pm.

Please email cathomass@slpres.org if you can help. This is an immediate need, and we need at least six people. Thanks!

A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

Chastain at Saint Luke's, April 30, 6:30pm in the Manhasset parking lot. Don't miss this evening of live entertainment in the style of the Chastain amphitheater. Bring your own food, beverages and utensils and decorate your table! (the church provides tables and chairs). Reserve your spot by April 12 through Liz Catlett in the church office: lizcatlett@slpres.org. After April 12, table seats are available on a first come, first served basis. Free childcare is available by reservation only.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER

Saint Luke's members will know this as Stop Hunger Now; new name but same awesome organization.

Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief organization that distributes food and life-changing aid to the world's most vulnerable, mobilizing the necessary resources to end hunger by 2030. Please check out the website for more information. www.riseagainsthunger.org

Please join us at Saint Luke's, Sunday, April 23, 9:30am in the Great Hall, as we try to reach our goal of packing 10,000+ meals.

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.

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

All Glory, Laud, and Honor *Melchoir Teschner*

Song of Thanksgiving*

**Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, your triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin!** *(Hymn 198, Stanza 2)*

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 #197*

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna *ELLACOMBE*

Benediction*

Postlude*

All Glory, Laud, and Honor *Emma Lou Diemer*

Worship Notes:

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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



EGG HUNT AND PALM SUNDAY CHURCHWIDE FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH— We anticipate a glorious day today! Everyone is invited to come watch our Saint Luke’s children hunt for eggs and enjoy a delicious brunch prepared by Chef Quentin which includes eggs, cheese grits, biscuits, and BACON. Donations towards the brunch will graciously be accepted.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW) BAKE SALE— On Sunday, April 9, the PW will be offering two types of cakes for sale, Lemonade Cake and Carrot Cake. Both are perfect for Easter entertaining. Please feel free to contact Nancy Moore, 404.547.1087, nancy.moore46@yahoo.com, or Sally Birsinger, 770.395.6488, thebirsingers@gmail.com.

2017 LENT AND HOLY WEEK, “WORTHY BY GRACE”

<u>Date</u>	<u>Occasion</u>	<u>Text</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Services</u>
April 9	Palm Sunday	Luke 19:29-44	Worth Following	8:30am/11am
April 9	Egg Hunt /Brunch	N/A	N/A	9:30am
April 13	Maundy Thursday	Luke 22:1-27	Worth Remembering	7pm, Sanctuary
April 14	Good Friday Soup	N/A	N/A	6pm, Great Hall
April 14	Good Friday	Luke 23:32-47	Worth Dying	7pm, Chapel
April 16	Easter Sunday	Luke 24:1-12	Worth Saving	7am/8:30am/11am

THE MORGANS ARE BACK!

For many years St Luke’s has been supporting the work of Drs. Cindy and Les Morgan, medical missionaries in Bangladesh, through prayer and financial donations.

The Morgans are back in the USA and will be at Saint Luke’s sharing their work and experiences in Bangladesh and discussing the new challenges they have been facing since the July 2016 massacre in Dhaka.

You are invited to lunch and to hear the Drs. Cindy and Les Morgan.

Monday, April 24, 2017, 12-1:30pm
Saint Luke’s Presbyterian Church

Just show up to be a part of this special and rare opportunity.