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SERVING TODAY– 8:30am Service / 11am Service

Acolytes: Acolyte Supervisor– Cailin Thelen / Arlene Anderson

Bell Ringer– Thomas Rice / Emily Anderson
Bible Bearer– Owen Hamlin / Brady Anderson
Candle Lighter– Val Thelen / Nina Gaitan
Crucifer– Jack Troha / Caroline Samuelson

Chancel Guild– Ted and Mary Guerrant

Lay Readers– Vivian Smith / Laura Strange

Open/Close– Josh Nunez

Sound Crew– Bob Burroughs

Ushers, 8:30am– Paula Humer, Captain; Stephen and Sydney Moss, Bill and Ellen Womack

Ushers, 11am– David King, Captain; Ken Painter, Kari, Miles, Clara and Cole Young

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



April 16, 2017

Easter Sunday



SAINT LUKE'S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

April 16, 2017
Easter Sunday

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

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30am Chapel Communion Service
9:30am Sunday School
11:00am Sanctuary Worship Service
Nursery available at all services and 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 Sanctuary where our Pastors or a church officer 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 A hearing loop is accessible by switching hearing aids to T-coil. Also, large print hymnals and back cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.



CHILDREN are a precious part of our church family, and we welcome them in worship. Worship notebooks and activity packets are available on the back ledges of the sanctuary for preschool and elementary ages. Each week, children are invited to walk up for an age-appropriate message during "Tell Us Our Story." After that time, they may remain in worship, go to Faithful Friends (K-2nd) or go to child care (PreK and younger).

HABITAT UPDATE 2017, ANOTHER HOUSE BUILT ON A DREAM—Just two more Saturdays and it is turn-over-the-keys time for Sonja Hodges! Nearly all of the work on her new Habitat house will be completed on April 22. April 29 will be a day to put the finishing touches on the house and landscape the property. Following a great morning of work, volunteers will enjoy a fantastic lunch and a joy-filled dedication ceremony. We especially need volunteers on April 22 as several of the "regulars" will not be able to make it that day. Of course, the last Saturday is absolutely amazing. Hopefully many Saint Luke's members will find a way to make it to the house on the last day. 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.

SAINT LUKE'S GIFT TO SONJA, HABITAT HOMEOWNER--Beginning Easter Sunday through Friday, April 21, there will be a handmade bench in our church lobby. This bench, made from all recycled materials, is Saint Luke's gift to Sonja Hodges, the new Habitat homeowner. There will be pens and specific instructions on signing the back of the bench.

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, contact either Andrea Price, andreacoppedgeprice@gmail.com or Fern Mitropoulos, tmitropoulos@comcast.net. We sure hope to see you there!

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 / YOUTH GROUP

Happy Easter! No Sunday School or Youth Group today.

YOUTH SUNDAY

Sunday, April 30. Look for follow up email with details about how to help out.

SUMMER TRIPS

If you are going on any summer trips please plan to attend the meeting on April 30 from 12:30-1:30pm in the Session Room, lunch will be provided. Please contact Phil if you would be able to pick up lunch for the meeting (you will be reimbursed.)

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

Parent Feedback Group with Breakfast/Coffee, May 7 at 9:30am, FINCH Room 203

Six Flags is May 21

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.

Flowering of the Cross

This morning we rejoice as the stark emptiness of the Good Friday wooden cross is transformed by the beauty of flowers carefully placed by our children. All are welcome to come forward and place their flowers. (*extra flowers are available.*) This Saint Luke's tradition symbolizes the resurrection of Christ and the certain hope of salvation. Thanks be to God!

In Preparation for Worship

"The resurrection completes the inauguration of God's kingdom. . . It is the decisive event demonstrating that God's kingdom really has been launched on earth as it is in heaven...The message of Easter is that God's new world has been unveiled in Jesus Christ and that you're now invited to belong to it." – N.T. Wright



Prelude

Crown Him the Glorious King *arr. Larry Shackley*

Alleluia, Christ Is Risen! *arr. Douglas E. Wagner*

Chorale—Fantasy on "Christ the Lord Has Risen" *Flor Peeters*

Gathering Prayer and Chiming of the Hour

Movement Introit

Thine Is the Glory

Amanda Lower and Friends

George Frideric Handel

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship*

Leader: This is the good news: the grave is empty— Christ is risen!

People: (loud) Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the good news: the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out!

People: (louder) Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the good news: we are set free from the powers of sin and death and despair!

People: (louder still) Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the good news: because Christ lives, we too shall live! Let us rejoice and be glad!

People: (loudest) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Let us worship God.

Processional Hymn #232*

Jesus Christ is Risen Today *EASTER HYMN, arr. James Biery*

Prayer for the Day

Passing of the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

Parents may take their children (through PreK) to our nursery, Room 120 in Sheppard Hall, which is located just across the courtyard through the glass doors. We encourage older children to remain in worship on this special day; however, these children will also be welcome in Room 120.

Anthem

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God
Benedetto Marcello, arr. Don McAfée

Chancel Choir

The heavens declare the glory of God; the earth sings forth his holy name.
The hills and plains sing praise to him; new songs of joy they raise to him.
Both day and night his might proclaim.
The day shows forth his majesty; the night sings praise eternally.
Their voice is sounding, resounding praise to him.
Let all creation lift its voice, all nature and mankind rejoice. Amen. (*Psalm 19 paraphrase*)

Prayer for Illumination

Vivian Smith (8:30am)/ Laura Strange (11am)

Scripture Lesson

Luke 24:1-12, page 84 of the New Testament

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Wait...,What???"

David Lower

Hymn #246*

Christ is Alive! *TRURO*

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.**

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.

S P L A S H ! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

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 cathomas@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).

Table seats are available on a first come, first served basis.
Free childcare is available by reservation only.

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.

Apostles' Creed *(continued)*

**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.**

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

Joy in the Morning *Natalie Sleeth*

Chancel Choir

There'll be joy in the morning on that day
for the daylight will dawn when the darkness is gone.
There'll be peace and contentment evermore,
every heart, every voice will together rejoice.
And the glory of the Lord will shine upon us,
will bring the truth divine.
There'll be love and forgiveness everywhere
and the way of the Lord will that day be restored.

Song of Thanksgiving #606* Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *OLD HUNDREDTH*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication*

Easter Response*

Hallelujah from *Messiah* Chancel Choir and Congregation
George Frideric Handel

All are invited to sing the Hallelujah Chorus with the choir. Please come forward and receive a printed copy of the chorus from one of the ushers.

**Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ.
And he shall reign for ever and ever!
King of Kings and Lord of Lords!**

Benediction*

Recessional Hymn*

This is the Day

Choir: This is the day.
All: This is the day.
Choir: That the Lord has made.
All: That the Lord has made.
Choir: We will rejoice.
All: We will rejoice.
Choir: And be glad in it.
All: And be glad in it.

**All: This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.**

Postlude*

Toccata from Symphony No.5 *Charles Marie-Widor*

Worship Notes: Thank you for all of the musicians sharing their talent with us today. Brass Quartet: Averil Taylor and Stacey Novik trumpet; Jim Wile and Connor Sullivan, trombone. Music: All rights reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net A-719333.

SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



A BIG WELCOME TO REV. ERIC POWELL—Saint Luke's is blessed to welcome Rev. Eric Powell, minister of our sibling church Dodd-Sterling United Methodist Church, to preach at both worship services on Sunday, April 23. Many of you may know of our longstanding partnership with Dodd-Sterling UMC, a church in the Brown's Mill neighborhood on the south side of Atlanta, which has been revitalizing this year. This will be a very special week for our partnership, as our churches wrap up our shared work on the Habitat for Humanity house (to be dedicated Saturday April 29), and as we welcome Rise Against Hunger (formerly "Stop Hunger Now") during the Sunday School hour on April 23. Saint Luke's has partnered with Dodd-Sterling to equip their growing Food Pantry to combat hunger in their neighborhood. So don't miss this important and wonderful Sunday in the life of our church!

Rev. Powell has served Dodd-Sterling for the last year, and entered the ministry after a 30-year career in the US Army. Saint Luke's and Dodd-Sterling will do a "pulpit share" this year, with David preaching at Dodd-Sterling on another Sunday to be determined



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. 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!



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. Just show up to be a part of this special and rare opportunity. Monday, April 24, 12-1:30pm in the Great Hall.