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Acolytes: Acolyte Supervisor– Leslie Hamlin
Bell Ringer– Catherine Kitchens
Bible Bearer– Lilly Hamlin
Candle Lighter– Pearson Vivian
Crucifer– Eliza Thatcher
Chancel Guild– Mike and Dorothy Kitchens
Continental Breakfast– Ron Davis and Terri Potter
Lay Reader– Billy Martin
Open/Close– Josh Nunez
Sound Crew– Brad Troha
Ushers– Thank you to the ushers who are serving today!

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:

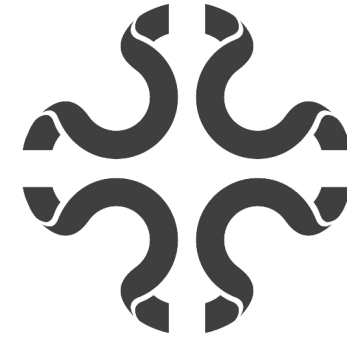
Sandra DuBois, Kris Hull,
Caroline Hurst (*youth*),
Joyce Kratzenberg, Stacey Brooks,
Joanna Mangum, Stephen Moss,
Sharon Polensek,
Rebecca Strickland (*Moderator*),
Russell Wolfe

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



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May 21, 2017

11:00am



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May 21, 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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).

CAMP LITTLE SAINTS— Saint Luke's Preschool & Kindergarten is offering a fun camp for kids who turned 2 by September 1, 2016 through kids who have completed Kindergarten. 4 days each week, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Space is limited. Contact Carol Perry at 770.393.1424 ext. 240.

GETTING SPACY // May 30 – June 2 // Blast off for fun as we learn what it takes to be an astronaut! We'll suit up and climb aboard the SLLS Spaceship to explore the planets in our solar system. Along the way we'll make edible moon rocks and Martian Slime!

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME // June 5 – June 8 // Grab your baseball hat and hit the SLLS ballpark! Our ball players will spend lots of time with balls of all kinds during the week. There will be plenty of ballpark snacks and we'll take home our own personalized trading cards!

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 will meet upstairs in the Youth Room from 9:30-10:30am.

YOUTH GROUP

Six Flags today after the 11am worship service.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

We are looking for five youth volunteers to help with the gathering time for VBS, June 12-15. This includes skits, music, and energizers. Talk to Phil if you are interested. If you want to help in other areas of VBS, the volunteer sign-up sheet in the main lobby.

VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

If you are volunteering with VBS this year, please attend the following training: June 4, 12-1pm at Saint Luke's, Room 231/233.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 21: Six Flags (sign up and details on SLPC website)

May 28: No Sunday School or Youth Group (Memorial Day Weekend)

MUSIC MINISTRY

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

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 11am services from June 11 through August 20. All instrumentalists and singers are welcome and appreciated! Contact Clair Maxwell if interested.

In Preparation for Worship

When despair for the world grows in me and I wake in the night at the least sound in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds. I come into the peace of wild things who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief. I come into the presence of still water. And I feel above me the day-blind stars waiting with their light. For a time I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

~Wendell Berry



Gathering Prayer

Prelude

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus *arr. Mark Hayes*

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Leader: We give praise to God, the Lord of New Life,

People: **for those who hunger for God shall find Him risen, and be fed by the truth!**

Leader: All the earth will remember hope's victory,

People: **all people will practice hope until the kingdom of heaven is come!**

All: **Let us worship the risen Lord, our God!**

Hymn #637*

O Sing to the Lord *CANTAI AO SENHOR*

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Loving God,

You have claimed us as Your children,
not because of anything we have done,
but because of Your amazing grace.

We confess that we have tried to gain Your favor
through good deeds and righteous living.

Help us to know that nothing we can ever do will make You love us or accept us
more than You do at this very moment...*(Silence is kept for personal confession)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise*

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!

Passing of the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Billy Martin

Scripture Lesson

Galatians 1:13-17; 2:11-21, pages 176-177 of the New Testament

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

David Lower

Parents may take their children (through PreK) to our nursery, Room 120 in Sheppard Hall.

Parents of children in K, 1st or 2nd grade may take them to Faithful Friends in The Harbor, Room 213.

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

We will NOT have Sunday School for children on Memorial Day weekend.

Sunday, June 4, Stay tuned for a Pentecost Surprise!

Sunday, June 11, our K-5th grade kids will have loads of fun in the Great Hall for relays and Bible games with a focus on sportsmanship and teamwork. Our preschool friends will love "Eye-Popping Bible Lessons" in Room 120.

VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING NEWS

Fun Factory "employees" are encouraged to attend a training sessions:

~ **Sunday, June 4** from 12-1pm, Room 231/233, light lunch and drinks provided

Childcare is available by reservation only for the June 4 session. We'll provide a spot for your child if you contact lizcatlett@slpres.org. Please pack a lunch pail for your small factory workers!

BUT WAIT, SOME GEARS ARE MISSING!

We have a four large gears and many more small ones that are still missing from our VBS Fun Factory! Our biggest needs are two adults for Preschool Bible Adventures (to present the daily Bible story and activity to individual preschool classes in the Book Hive) and two adults for Preschool Kid Vid Cinema (the daily video clip and discussion with individual preschool classes in the chapel). We also have many other age level leaders' spots still open for both adults and youth helpers. Finally, if you can only help out a day or two, we need some adult "floaters" to fill in where needed most. If there's any way you can swing some shifts in our Fun Factory from June 12 - June 15 (that's Monday through Thursday mornings), please sign up on the board in the main lobby OR email cathomas@slpres.org.

FOOD FOR THE FUN FACTORY!

Our VBS program needs to feed a lot of people! There are two ways to help:

Pick a Gear or Two! Beginning this coming Sunday, look for our "gears" labeled with snack items for our students. Take as many as you like, purchase the requested item or items, and bring your snack contribution to the marked container in the main lobby by Sunday, June 4. Please note that whenever a particular brand is requested, it's because our snack directors know that it's produced in an allergy-safe facility. Thanks for keeping our little Fun Factory workers fed! Many thanks to Carol Waller for heading up this operation.

Bring Treats for the "Break Room"! Watch soon for a Sign-Up Genius (in next week's Highlights and on our VBS page of the Saint Luke's web site) that lists the things our adult and youth VBS leaders will need to fuel them through their factory shift. We'll need everything from bagels and coffee to veggies and dip. We are grateful to Cailin Thelen for supervising this popular part of our Fun Factory!

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.

Anthem

How Good *Michael Englehardt*

Chancel Choir

How good and pleasant it is when we dwell together in unity.
All people, all around the world, all sisters and brothers,
we're born to be in one family.
Unique yet we're unified, one body yet many.
Diversity; oh, let it be our identity!
It's time we finally agree we need one another.
In bonds of peace we are free indeed.
Nothing can separate us from the love of the Father.
True unity; oh, let it be a reality!

Sermon

Grace Notes

David Lower

Hymn #649*

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound *AMAZING GRACE*

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.**

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 Were It Not for Grace *Larnelle Harris*

Song of Thanksgiving* Now Thank We All Our God *NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT*

**All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.**

Prayer of Dedication*

Closing Hymn #802* The King of Love My Shepherd Is *ST. COLUMBA*

Benediction*

Choral Response* The Lord Bless You and Keep You *John Rutter*

**The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.**
(Numbers 6:24)

Postlude* Heavenly Sunlight *Harrison Cook, arr. Mark Hayes*

Worship Notes: Thank you to our guest musicians: Brenda Turner, soloist; Bruce Jones, guitarist; Mark Rogers, bassist; Dan Sloan, drummer. Music: All rights reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net A-719333.

SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



OLDER, WISER, LOVING SENIORS (OWLS) END OF YEAR GATHERING— Tuesday, May 23 at 11:30am. Please join us for our last meeting of the spring season. We will also recognize Melba Gay as she retires her role as leader of this fantastic group. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the lobby by Sunday, May 21 so we can give the restaurant an accurate head count for seating purposes. Hope to see you there! Olive Garden of Dunwoody, 4749 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Dunwoody, GA 30338.