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SAINT LUKE’S PERIMETER COUNSELING CENTER

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

Chapel Guild– Dan Joyce and Vivian Smith
Continental Breakfast– Thank you Diane Lemaster for providing the December 31 breakfast.

*Saint Luke’s Friends, please sign up for Continental Breakfast slots in 2018. It is a great way to meet new people and share hospitality. The sign up genius link is:
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094daeac22aa8-continental>.*

LEADERSHIP

Terry Nall, *Clerk to Session*

ELDERS

Class of 2018:

Gerald Aldridge, Carol Allen, Barbara Douglass, Anne Hallum, Forrest Herrick (*Youth*), Dan Joyce, Jean Kammerer, Chip Williams, Bill Womack

Class of 2019:

Al Bridges, Beth Eisenmesser, Sonny Jester, Bob Pile, Bob Polensek, Terri Potter, Whitney Samuelson, Steven Vivian

Class of 2020:

Carol Ciepluch, Leslie Hamlin, Kay Loerch (*Asst. Clerk of Session*), Florence Luranc, J J Singley, Kelly Sloan, Steve Thornton, Brad Troha

DEACONS

Class of 2018:

Justine Burney, Bobby Ferretti, Mary Frances Kitchens (*Youth*), Diane Lemaster, Joe Luranc, Lucy Painter, Debbie Parkes, Ron Valdes, Shari Wassell, Kristen Wescott (*Moderator*)

Class of 2019:

Melissa Blakely, Alyson Cohen, Mark Douglass, A.J.Favero, Carol Hickey, Dorothy Kitchens (*Vice Moderator*), Carol Waller, Al Wang, Scott Zannini

Class of 2020:

Thomas Brown, Karleen Buchholz, Jenny Cumiskey, Ron Davis, Kris Hull, Daryl Moore, Emily Ritzler, Vivian Smith, Suzanne Thatcher



SAINT LUKE’S
P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

January 7, 2018 8:30am



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January 7, 2018

First Sunday after Epiphany

Liturgical Color: White

Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage the sense of sight in worship. White symbolizes days, seasons of joy and communion. White also marks pivotal events in the life of Christ.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30am Chapel Communion Service

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am 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 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 lacing crosses 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.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TARTAN TROT

SPONSORS — Let us know if you have any questions and thank you so much for supporting the race! Rebecca Strickland and Laura Singley, Tartan Trot Sponsorship

1) REGISTER FOR THE RACE — Use your complimentary race registrations! It's a perk of being a Sponsor. Use them yourself or give them away. Register NOW to guarantee a race t-shirt. Here is the registration link: <http://slpres.org/serve/tartan-trot/tartan-trot-sponsor-runner-registration/>.

2) PAY YOUR PLEDGE — Drop a check off in the collection plate or the church office. Be sure to write "Tartan Trot 2018" in the memo line. Prefer to use your card on file at the church? No Problem! Simply send an email (laurasingley@att.net).

3) MEASURE UP — Tell us your t-shirt size (laurasingley@att.net), so you can sport your Tartan Trot gear around town.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT GROUP (MEG) —

This group will resume on January 7 at 5pm in the FINCH room. All are welcome. If interested in finding more information about this group, please feel free to contact Kimey Reed at kimeyreed@gmail.com.

FEAST BEGINS JANUARY 17 — FEAST will run for seven Wednesdays not including Ash Wednesday which is February 14. Please look for details next week on how to sign up.

CHILLY? CHILI! Adults are invited to the home of Mary and Billy Martin for a Chili Supper on Saturday, January 28, from 6:30pm-9pm, \$7.50/person at the door. Please RSVP on the poster in the church lobby, or please contact Mary Martin at marymckeemartin@gmail.com or Faye Cashwell at faye@cashwellhome.com.

MEN'S BREAKFAST, LEGISLATIVE UPDATE —

Join us for the start of the year Men's Breakfast on Saturday, January 13 at 8am featuring our annual legislative update. Our guests will be Fran Millar, State Senator from the 40th District; Tom Taylor, House Representative from District 79; and Wendell Willard, House Representative from District 51. We need to know how many will attend so we can plan accordingly for the amount of food to prepare. Please RSVP via email no later than January 10 to Pam Melton, pammelton@slpres.org. Please include the number attending in your party. Saint Luke's women and their guests are always welcome. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tom Loftis at 770.605.2067 or email him at tomloftis01@gmail.com or Bob Schultz at 404.771.6910, bobschultz1@gmail.com.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE 10,000 SANDWICHES?

Come and find out at the annual Presbyterian Women (PW) Sandwich Project. We'll be making sandwiches for hungry folks around Atlanta that will be distributed to five homeless shelters. Both young and old can help make sandwiches, so plan to attend! The fun starts at 9:30am. Additionally, this winter weather is cold, so we'll be collecting mittens and gloves for those in need. See our display in the lobby to sponsor a box of sandwiches for \$25! All donations help offset the cost of sandwiches.

WOMEN'S RETREAT, MARCH 2-4, DILLARD HOUSE —

Registration is now open. Join us for a weekend of fellowship, fun and spiritual growth. Rev. Meredith Loftis will be the guest speaker. Deadline to sign up is January 28. <https://tinyurl.com/slpcwomensretreat2018>.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Phil Brown philbrown@slpres.org / 770.393.1424 ext. 238

HERE'S WHAT'S COMING UP IN YOUTH MINISTRY:

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7:

9:30am, Sunday School at Church

5:30-7pm, Youth and Parent Potluck at Saint Luke's. Last name A-M bring a main dish to share. Last name N-Z bring a side dish or dessert to share.

SATURDAY MORNINGS TARTAN IN TRAINING:

Tartan in Training on Saturdays in January. (13 & 20) We need two adults and three-four youth to help with childcare at church. Be at the church by 7:45 am you'll be done by 9am.

JANUARY 8 IS MT. TOP REGISTRATION DAY:

More details coming next week. Registration will open at 8:00 pm on the Saint Luke's website. Spots will be filled on a first come-first serve basis. Dates: June 24-30, 2018. Total cost of the trip still TBD, but will be around \$325-\$350. \$150 deposit and paperwork due by February 1.

CONFIRMATION CLASS:

Typically for 8th graders in the spring. We will begin in January.

CYCLE BAR TARTAN TROT FUNDRAISING EVENT:

Join us at Cyclebar at 2:30pm, Saturday, January 13. Rides will be \$20 and all proceeds will benefit Tartan Trot. Register by January 10.

BOOT CAMP:

Try a free boot camp at 9:30am, Saturday, January 20, Great Hall. Bring water and a towel or mat. Kilts are optional. Eye on the pie, people!

PARENT RETREAT IN MONTREAT, FEBRUARY 9-11:

More information here on an amazing weekend to recharge, learn, and grow as parents with people from around the Southeast. www.authenticparents.org. Let Phil know if you are interested in a roommate for the weekend. We have a female looking for a roommate too. It looks like the retreat housing is going to fill up so let's get those registrations in. Registration price increase January 5.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT DATES:

We had to reschedule the high school retreat due to the snow. New dates are March 16-18. Same details as before. Still going to Mt. TOP. Still, need adults to come along with us. The new registration page will be up soon.

In Preparation for Worship

Every disciple is called to specific tasks that are revealed by God. These tasks show the world our deep union with Christ. Thus, as disciples we do not start with tasks, but start with discovering God's voice in our life.



Prelude

Prelude on the Introit for the Epiphany *Maurice Duruflé*

Welcome and Announcements

If you are new to Saint Luke's today, welcome, we are so glad you are here! We have a gift of fresh bread we would love to give to you as a token of our gratitude. Please introduce yourself after worship to receive your welcome gift.

Please take the time now to fill out the Friendship Pads situated at the end of each pew. Write down your names and pass the pad down the pew, so that you may greet your pew neighbors by name and that we may know you are here.

Call to Worship

From Psalm 66

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
sing glory of his name; give him glorious praise.

People: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

Leader: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name."

People: Come and see what God has done. Let us worship God.

Opening Hymn #54*

Make a Joyful Noise to God *DIX*

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession* Prayer *Sheila E. Auld*

Lord grant us the grace to be happy.
The grace to find peace of mind.
To walk in the ways of Jesus, leaving selfishness behind;
to open our house to strangers, our table to those in need.
And give us the grace and strength, Lord, to follow wherever you lead.
Here now our silent prayers of the ways we have diverted from following you.
(Silence is kept for personal confession)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise #581* Glory Be to the Father *GLORIA PATRI*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen.

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 John 1:43-51, *pages 92-93 of the New Testament*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

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

David Lower

Sermon

Phil Brown

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING 2018 EVENTS

Details to follow in future publications.

- Back to School Pizza Lunch, 11:30am, Sunday, January 7. Follow up meeting from Conversations about Worship.
- FEAST begins on Wednesday, January 17
- PW Sandwich Project is Sunday, January 21
- Boy Scout Sunday is also January 21
- VBS is June 11-14

SAINT LUKE'S LITTLE SAINTS PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

Registration for the 2018 ~ 2019 school year is coming in January!

Our accredited program honors the individuality of the child as we prepare each student for elementary school. Children ages 12 months through Kindergarten enjoy learning in our beautiful classrooms under the guidance of our dedicated and experienced teachers.

Church members register on January 23; Current families register on January 24. New community families register on January 25.

Questions or tours, Carol Perry, carolperry@slpres.org, 770.393.1424 x240

ADULT MINISTRY

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Individual classes have begun. Please see the website for a full description of each class. (<http://slpres.org/program-ministries/adult-ministry/sunday-school>)

Faith Foundations: Room 232

Seasons of the Spirit: Room 231/233

Soul Food: Room 234/236

House to House: Room 203, "Popular" Series Begins January 7 (See below)

Based on the book, "Popular" by leading psychologist Mitch Prinstein, we will learn how our "popularity" affects our success, our relationships, and our happiness. Using the Bible as another reference (crazy, right!?) we will see how God actually lays out a plan for the kind of "popularity" that lasts. Navigating the world of cliques, social media, and fleeting friendships even more challenging for our children than it was for us. Our hope is that the discussion will produce helpful tools to better understand ourselves, our children, and each other. We will meet January 7, January 14, and January 28 (January 21 is the Sandwich Project) in Room 203, 9:30am-10:15am.

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Fellowship and Bible study every Friday from 6:40-8am in the Parlor with Dan Joyce.

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.

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, *Yvonne Miller, 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*

JOIN A CHOIR IN THE NEW YEAR!

Chancel Choir and Festival Ringers – resumed January 3

Westminster and Cherub Choirs – resume January 17

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.**

Offering Invitation

Giving is a tangible sign of worship. If you give electronically, there is a blue, laminated, electronic giving in the pew rack to place in the offering plate as it is passed.

Offertory

Song of Thanksgiving

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Stanza 4

Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or to the Son,
laud and hon - or to the Spir - it, ev - er three_ and ev - er one:
one in might and one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Holy Communion

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.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Closing Hymn #721*

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore *PESCADOR DE HOMBRES*

Benediction*

Postlude*

Postlude on "Water" David Cherwien

Worship Notes: The prayer of confession comes from a prayer found in Blessed Be Our Table, by Niel Paynter: Graces for Mealtimes and Reflections On Food. A book of prayers from the Iona Community in Scotland. Music: All rights reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net (A-719333).

SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



NEW MEMBER CLASSES — Our next classes and welcome of new members in January, will start today Sunday, January 7 and will run for three consecutive Sundays. We will meet in the Session Room #109 at 9:30am. New members will be welcomed on Sunday, January 28 by the Session and the congregation. For more information, please contact David Lower at davidlower@slpres.org.



WHAT GOES UP, MUST COME DOWN — Please join us after the 10:30am worship service today for a few minutes to help take down the decorations. Many hands make light work! Thank you, in advance, for your help.



PIZZA! NEED WE SAY MORE? — Dear Saint Luke's Families of Children and Youth, You and your kids are warmly invited this Sunday, January 7 after 10:30am worship to a pizza lunch in the Session Room! We would greatly appreciate your attendance and participation in a brief community conversation about family life at Saint Luke's as a follow-up to last summer's conversation seeking to enhance our congregation's ministry with families. You gave some great feedback and suggestions, which we heard and heeded in our fall planning, including a change to the Sunday morning schedule. We want to name the changes made and hear how things are going, so that we can ensure that life at Saint Luke's works as well as possible. Thanks in advance for your attendance and help! Sincerely, The Saint Luke's Church Program Staff-David, Shannon, Catherine Anne, & Phil



TARTAN IN TRAINING — Race day (February 3) is less than a month away! Get ready for the Peachtree-qualifying course with Tartan in Training, group runs scheduled for 8 am on the following Saturdays: January 13 and January 20. Run the 5k or 10k course! All fitness levels welcome! Bagels and coffee provided. We'll meet in the lobby and childcare will be available for church members. Please contact TJ McGoldrick at tj.mcgoldrick@gmail.com to RSVP for the group runs.

Not a runner? We've got options! Join us at Cyclebar at 2:30pm on Saturday, January 13. Rides will be \$20 and all proceeds will benefit Tartan Trot. Space is limited at Cyclebar, so please take a moment to register at: <https://dunwoody.cyclebar.com/class-detail/?apptid=4551735>

Or, try a free bootcamp at 9:30am, Saturday, January 20. Please contact TJ McGoldrick, tj.mcgoldrick@gmail.com to RSVP for the various events. Bring water and a towel or mat. Kilts are optional. Eye on the pie, people!