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SERVING TODAY

Chancel Guild- Stacey Brooks

Continental Breakfast- Kristen Wescott

Lay Reader- Beth Underhill

Open/Close- Bill Womack

Sound- Cameron Wescott

Ushers- Jan Slater, Captain; Brian & Nelson Cumiskey, Ron Davis, Janis Jones

Communion Servers- Beth Underhill, Captain; Gerald Aldridge, Susan Crawford, Julie Knotts, Becky & Tom Loftis

LEADERSHIP

ELDERS

Class of 2019:

Al Bridges, Beth Eisenmesser,
Sonny Jester, Bob Pile, Bob Polensek,
Terri Potter, Whitney Samuelson,
Steven Vivian, Sydney Sloan (*Youth Elder*)

Class of 2020:

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

Class of 2021:

Bob Burroughs, Steve Cashwell (*Asst. Clerk of Session*) Tracy Coffie, Val DeFriece, Matt Fogarty, Nael McCarty, Todd Parker, Kristen Wescott

DEACONS

Class of 2019:

Melissa Blakely, Alyson Cohen,
Mark Douglass, A.J. Favero,
Carol Hickey, Dorothy Kitchens (*Moderator*), Debbie Parkes, Carol Waller, Al Wang, Rosie Coffie (*Youth Deacon*),

Class of 2020:

Thomas Brown, Karleen Buchholz,
Jenny Cumiskey, Ron Davis, Kris Hull (*Vice Moderator*), Daryl Moore, Emily Ritzler, Vivian Smith, Suzanne Thatcher

Class of 2021:

Marylyn Brown, Kelda Hearn, Janis Jones, Alan Keel, Christy Keohane, Betsy King, Molly Naugher, Gena Spears, Steve Wassell



SAINT LUKE'S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 7, 2018

10:30am



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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

October 7, 2018

World Communion Sunday

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 is used for Communion Sunday.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:15am Chapel Communion Service

9:15am 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 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 tactile activities are available on the blue Worship Carts in the back of the sanctuary. 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).

HAVE YOU LOGGED ON TO REALM? — We have a new database and we need you to log in! Why? So we have your most up-to-date information! You can access realm at: <https://onrealm.org>, or by going to the member login tab at the top of our website. If you are a previous user of the former system you should be able to log in using the same credentials as before: your primary email account and your password. (Some previous passwords may not have the correct amount of digits and may need to be reset.) If you don't remember your password you can use the password reset function that is present on the login screen. If you have difficulty or if you are a 1st time user of our online services then send an email to realm@slpres.org and someone will respond and help you.

BULLETIN/HIGHLIGHTS DEADLINE—Please submit all information for the bulletin and/or Highlights on Monday. Announcements are reviewed by staff on Tuesdays and will be edited for space and content.

ALL-CHURCH BREAKFAST PREPARED BY SAINT LUKE'S MEN ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 AT 8 AM— Come enjoy a delicious breakfast while learning about some of the most important work being done in Atlanta to combat poverty and homelessness. Saint Luke's will welcome Brad Schweers, the Executive Director of Intown Collaborative Ministries (ICM), whose mission is "to prevent and reverse homelessness and hunger in Intown Atlanta by building a healthy community through caring relationships and transformed lives." ICM continues to work with and support those who used to be housed at the Journey Men's Shelter, Saint Luke's longstanding partner until the shelter closed last year. Come join us for this important opportunity to hear from one of the city's most successful advocates for the city's most vulnerable citizens about what is being done to eradicate homelessness and how we can help! Help us make sure we make enough breakfast by RSVPing to Bob Schultz, bobschultz9@icloud.com.

**SAINT LUKE'S UPCOMING EVENTS
MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- Saturday, October 13 - All-Church Breakfast prepared by Saint Luke's Men, featuring Brad Schweers, the Executive Director of Intown Collaborative Ministries
- Sunday, October 14 - Pernoshal Park Picnic & Blessing of the Pets
- Sunday, October 28 - Trunk-N-Treat
- Sunday, November 11 - Celebrate the Arts, Family Promise Benefit Concert
- Sunday, November 18 - City of Dunwoody, Electronics Recycling Event

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

House to House: Room 203

Seasons of the Spirit: Room 231/233

Soul Food: Room 234/236

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

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

OCTOBER 7th

Sunday School: We will meet upstairs in the youth room at **9:15am**

Pinball: We will be heading out after 10:30am worship to play some pinball and eat some pizza. Register at slpres.org. Parents, if you can drive, register as an adult.

OCTOBER 14th

Sunday School: Meet at **9:15am** in the lobby to head to breakfast. Bring money.

Blessing of the Pets: 5:00 pm at Pernoshal Park in Dunwoody. Family picnic to follow. Bring your own food. No regular youth group that evening.

SAVE THE DATE: JANUARY 2-5, 2019, MONTREAT COLLEGE CONFERENCE

Calling all college students! For more information or to register, go to slpres.org.

In Preparation for Worship

"The essence of the beautiful is unity in variety."

- Felix Mendelssohn



Gathering Prayer

Chiming of the Hour

Procession of the Elements

Introit

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

Chancel Choir

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*

Leader: We have come together to praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

People: The firmament, the covering of earth and seas, is the roof of our sanctuary.

Leader: And so, we dwell in the house of God all the days of our lives as one people.

People: We will sing songs of praise and give thanks for God's steadfast hope in us.

Leader: We will gather at your table together and remember our unity in our variety.

People: Let everyone that breathes worship and praise God together!

Opening Hymn #509*

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

Prayer of the Day*

Holy God,
We know from the world all the good you have made.
In the world's variety of people and race and culture and language and custom,
there is beauty and wonder.
We know from Jesus all you still yearn for.
He prayed that we might be one –
one in spirit, one in mission, one in humility and honor before you.
He invited all to the common table at which we can taste
and see your generous love.
Give us minds big enough to accept and celebrate our differences.
Give us hearts big enough to love your children everywhere.
We thank you for setting a table and making a world with space enough
for us all! Amen.

Song of Praise #585* Glory to God

Prayer for Illumination

Beth Underhill

Scripture Reading

Exodus 20:1-17, pages 63-64 of the Old Testament

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Gracias a Dios. (Spanish)**
Grâce à Dieu. (French)
Gǎnxiè shàngdì. (Chinese)
Bhagavaan ka shukra hai. (Hindu)
Hamd Alla. (Arabic)
Asante Mungu. (Swahili)
Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Erin Rugh

After Tell Us Our Story, parents may walk children 3 and younger to their classrooms in Sheppard Hall. Today is Sacrament Sunday for PreK through 3rd Grade. Communion is our focus today. Parents may register children in the narthex and pick up in The Harbor (room 213) after worship.

SPLASH! CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

BREAKFAST CLUB BEFORE SUNDAY SCHOOL!

All first through fifth graders are invited to "ease in" to class time from 9:15 to 9:30am in the Sheppard Hall Loft. Come for eye-opening snacks, low-key activities, and conversation with friends and teachers!

SACRAMENT SUNDAY IS TODAY!

Our first Sacrament Sunday is today, October 7, and will focus on Communion. All children ages PreK through 3rd grade are invited to join us today and for future worship workshops, held on the **first Sunday of the month**, after Tell Us Our Story at 10:30am worship. We will focus on Communion in October, November, December, and January; and Baptism will be our topic in February, March, April, and May. We will learn the hows and the whys of these important sacraments through stories, games, and other activities. For more information, please contact cathomas@slpres.org.

SAVE THE DATE: TRUNK-N-TREAT IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28!

Trunk-n-Treat is Sunday, October 28! Here is the schedule of events:

4:30pm Carnival
5:30pm Candy Collecting
6:00pm Dinner in the Great Hall (Purchase your dinner ticket at slpres.org!)

MUSIC MINISTRY

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

THE CHOIR NEEDS YOU

YOU should be in a choir this fall! Choirs are fun opportunities for: getting to know other church members, growing in your personal knowledge and faith, and enhancing your worship experience. Contact Clair about more information on one of our choirs.

SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:



NEW MEMBER INQUIRER'S CLASS— If you are interested in learning more about Saint Luke's, the Presbyterian faith tradition, and what it means to be a member of this wonderful church, please join senior pastor David Lower for a New Member Inquirer's Class on **October 14, 21, and 28 at 9:15 am** in the Session Room (room 109). New members will be welcomed during the 10:30am service on **Sunday, October 28**. Childcare provided during classes. Contact David Lower with questions: davidlower@slpres.org / 770.393.1424, ext. 223.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT FEAST— We're at our best when we're together! There's more energy, more laughter, and more discovery. Join us for dinner at 5:45 p.m., followed by weekly group programming that has been carefully selected to help us dive deeper into our relationships with God and each other. **ALL ages** will be truly engaged each week! For more information or to register, go to slpres.org or fill out the blue pew cards.

Wednesday evening schedule (**September 19– October 24**):

5:00-5:45 pm Children's choirs (Westminster and Cherub Choirs) rehearse

5:45-6:25 pm Dinner! Cost is \$7 per person (\$3 for 5th Grade & under), \$20 per family max

6:25-7:15 pm Program for all age groups (go to slpres.org for weekly program information)

6:30-7:20 pm Festival Ringers (handbell choir) rehearse

7:30-9:00 pm Chancel Choir rehearses



BLESS YOUR PET— Join us on **October 14 at 5 pm** at Pernoshal Park for the Blessing of the Pets. All pets—furry, floaty, feathery and slithery—are welcome! Bring your own picnic to enjoy afterwards.



SAINT LUKE'S LAUNCH PARTY AT 11:30am ON OCTOBER 21st— All hands on deck! Please join your Saint Luke's family as we swab the decks and trim the sails in preparation for setting sail together in the Great Hall on October 21st. After 10:30am worship we will kick off our 2019 Commitment season with nautical fun, food, and fellowship. Our Commitment Season will begin on October 21st and end with Commitment Sunday on November 11th. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks. In the meantime, dust off your captain's hat and your life jacket, and get ready to set sail with Saint Luke's!

Anthem

You Are Holy *Per Harling*

Chancel Choir

You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near;
blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present,
let the cosmos praise you Lord!
Hallelujah to our Lord!

Sermon

"Showing Steadfast Love"

Phil Brown

Holy Communion

Communion will be served by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup). Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. 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.

Profession of Faith*

From the Belhar Confession (2016)

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.
And we believe that that this unity of the people of God
must be manifest and active,
in that we love one another;
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,
that we share one baptism together,
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope,
which is the height and the breadth and the depth
and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Words of Institution

Communion Music

Bread of Life from Heaven *Argentine melody,
arr. Marty Haugen*

Come to the Table *Hyun Chul Lee*

Come, Let Us Eat *Billema Kwillia*

Prayer After Communion

The 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

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing *arr. Mark Hayes*

Song of Thanksgiving 659*

Know That God Is Good

Prayer of Dedication*

Recessional Hymn #536*

Rise , O Church, Like Christ Arisen

Benediction*

Passing the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Postlude*

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