

## CHURCH STAFF

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Associate Pastor ..... Rev. Phil Brown  
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Director of Saint Luke's Little Saints Preschool ..... Carol Perry  
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## SERVING TODAY

**Chancel Guild:** Bona & Carol Allen

**Communion Servers:** Ken Painter, captain; Rich Crutchfield, Janis Kilgore, Julie Lee, David McKenney, Dustin Waller

**Lay Reader:** Mary Guerrant

**Open/ Close:** Sonny Jester

**Sound:** Bob Burroughs

**Ushers:** Jenny Troha, captain

## LEADERSHIP

### ELDERS

#### Class of 2020:

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

#### Class of 2021:

Bob Burroughs, Steve Cashwell, Tracy Coffie, Val DeFriece, Matt Fogarty, Nael McCarty, Todd Parker, Kristen Wescott

#### Class of 2022:

Rosemary Armstrong-Burton, Sylvia Jackson, Julie Lee (*Asst. Clerk of Session*), Tom Mangum, Nancy Moore, Cathie Rogers, Dustin Waller, Justin Wilkes

### DEACONS

#### Class of 2020:

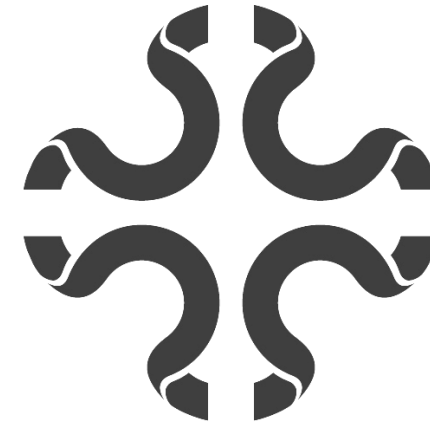
Thomas Brown, Karleen Buchholz, Jenny Cummiskey, Ron Davis, Mark Douglass, Kris Hull (*Moderator*), Daryl Moore, Emily Ritzler, Suzanne Thatcher, Carol Waller, Nelson Cummiskey (*Youth Deacon*)

#### Class of 2021:

Marylyn Brown, Carol Hickey, Janis Jones, Alan Keel, Christy Keohane, Betsy King, Molly Naugher (*Vice Moderator*), Gena Spears, Steve Wassell

#### Class of 2022:

Tricia Bridges, Donna Crutchfield, Chas Davis, Lindy Farley, Janis Kilgore, David Strickland, Angela Thayer, Miles Young



SAINT LUKE'S  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 6, 2019 10:30 am



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770.393.1424 [www.slpres.org](http://www.slpres.org) Office Hours: M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm

**October 6, 2019**17th Sunday after Pentecost  
World Communion Sunday**Liturgical Color:** Green*Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage the sense of sight in worship. Green is used for all other time periods (called Ordinary Time) not marked by a specific festival or season.***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  
astonishing grace,  
we are moved to love God,  
love each other,  
and love our neighbors  
near and far.**VISION**Boldly following Jesus,  
we love all people  
and work to build a compassionate,  
just, and peaceful world.**WELCOME, GUESTS!****DURING** the Welcome, please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass the Friendship Pad down the pew.**AFTER** worship, 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 precious to us, and we welcome them in worship. Activity sheets and tactile activities are available in the back of the sanctuary. Each week, children are invited to join us for "Tell Us Our Story." Afterwards, they may remain in worship, go to Faithful Friends (PreK-1st) or go to child care.**SPECIAL CONNECTIONS** We welcome children, youth and adults with special needs. If someone in your family could benefit from having a buddy during their time here today please ask an usher or greeter for assistance.**SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:**

For information on all activities and events at Saint Luke's, please go to slpres.org.

**TONIGHT! FAITH & PARENTING — Sunday, Oct. 6, from 5:30-7 pm**, at the home of David & Amanda Lower. This laid-back gathering of school-aged families provides good company, as well as the opportunity to get connected, learn together, and grow in faith. Includes casual pot-luck supper for parents and kids, followed by time when the kids play together while parents talk about the joys and challenges of parenting and topics of mutual interest. Questions? Contact davidlower@slpres.org.**BOOK LAUNCH EVENT FOR LAYTON WILLIAMS** — Join us on Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 7 pm to celebrate the launch of Layton's new book, "Holy Disunity." Layton grew up at Saint Luke's, is a PC(USA) pastor, and now a published book author.**FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** — Our Family Promise guests will return for two consecutive weeks Oct. 6-20. Please go to www.slpres.org and click on the Volunteer tab to sign up! Because two weeks of food and hosting makes for a long list of opportunities to scroll through, we have split sign ups into two sets: 1) hosting, meals, setup/teardown, laundry and 2) bringing food.**FEAST ON WEDNESDAYS** — Make FEAST your mid-week time to recharge! Join us for our Wednesday night dinner & program, "Faith in this Place," where we'll explore intriguing locations around the church. Dinner starts at 5:45 p.m. Check out the pew brochure or go to slpres.org for details or to RSVP. Dates are: Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30th.**MEN'S BREAKFAST, OCT. 12** — Join us at 8 am on Oct. 12 for a hearty breakfast and a City of Dunwoody discussion, featuring Saint Luke's members Terry Nall, Commissioner District 1 At-Large, and Heyward Wescott, candidate for City Council District 2. Please RSVP by Oct. 9, to bobshultz9@icloud.com. Saint Luke's women and guests are always welcome. Questions? Contact Tom Loftis at 770.605.2067 or tomloftis01@gmail.com.**TARTAN TROT KICKOFF** — This year's race will be on Feb. 22, 2020. Race registration is open and sponsors are needed! Your support will directly impact our outreach ministries at Saint Luke's. Please go to tartantrot.com for sponsorship information, or visit the table in the lobby to make your pledge.**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS ON OCT. 20** — Trot, flock or slither to the courtyard to have your pet blessed. 4 pm, Courtyard.**TRUNK-N-TREAT IS OCT. 27** — Fun for the whole family! Dress up, play games and stay for dinner. Carnival at 4:30 pm; Trunk-N-Treating at 5:30 pm; Dinner & Costume parade at 6 pm. Prizes for best trunks and costumes.

## Benediction\*

### Passing the Peace of Christ\*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

### Postlude\*

Sing Hallelujah! *arr. Mark Hayes*

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## In Preparation for Worship

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

– Felix Mendelssohn

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### Gathering Prayer

#### Prelude

Neo-Classique *arr. Mark Hayes*

#### Chiming of the Hour

#### Procession of the Elements

Praise the Lord *Traditional Cameroon* Chancel Choir

Praise, praise, praise the Lord; praise God's holy name, hallelujah!

### Welcome and Announcements

#### 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!**

#### Processional Hymn #526\*

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

#### Prayer of the Day\* *(in unison)*

**Holy God, Creator of all that is, Donor of Grace, and Giver of Life: Hear our prayer.**

**There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us from one another and from You.**

**We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow, for fear of admitting our part in the separation, for fear of being rejected when we reach out.**

**You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships, to a wholeness with each other and with You.**

**Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations**

**through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray.... *(silence)***

**Amen.**

## Song of Praise #581\*

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, Amen.

## Prayer for Illumination

Mary Guerrant

## Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 5:1-21, 6:4-9

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

## Tell Us Our Story

Phil Brown

*After Tell Us Our Story, parents may walk children 3 and younger to their classrooms in Sheppard Hall.  
Pre-K, K and 1st graders may gather in the narthex, make a nametag, and follow your teacher up to The Harbor for Faithful Friends.*

## Psalter #59\*

The Steadfast Love of The Lord (Psalm 105)

## Sermon

A Crowded Table

Rev. Layton Williams

## Affirmation 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.**

## Offering

*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

For Everyone Born  
arr. Tom Trenney

Chancel Choir

For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead, and God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy! For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share, with wisdom and grace, dividing the power, for woman and man, a system that's fair. For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song, the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong. For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free, and God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy! (Shirley Erena Murray)

## Song of Thanksgiving #63\*

**The Lord is God, the Lord alone! Give honor, thanks and praise  
To God, the maker of all things and giver of our days.**

## Holy Communion

*When coming forward for Communion, please kneel at the closest available space to the center aisle. If you would like to be served where you are sitting, please raise your hand as the communion servers come down the center aisle and you will be served by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup). Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. A server with gluten-free bread will be standing at the center aisle. If you prefer gluten-free bread, please indicate your preference as you approach. Parents, please note the center rings of the communion trays are filled with wine. Only the outer ring is filled with grape juice.*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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 #595

Bread of Life from Heaven  
Argentine Santo

Chancel Choir

Bread of life from heaven, your blood and body given.  
We eat this bread and drink this cup until you come again.

## Closing Hymn #538\*

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises