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SERVING TODAY

Chancel Guild: Mike & Dorothy Kitchens

Continental Breakfast: Ly Douglass

Lay Reader: Gerald Aldridge (USA)

Open/ Close: Miles Young

Sound: Roby Price

Ushers: Ken Painter (USA), Captain; Gerald Aldridge (USA)
Al Bridges (USA), Dorhm Crawford (USAF), Kim Fadel (USN), Dave
McKenney (USMC), and Cecil Palmer (USAF)

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:

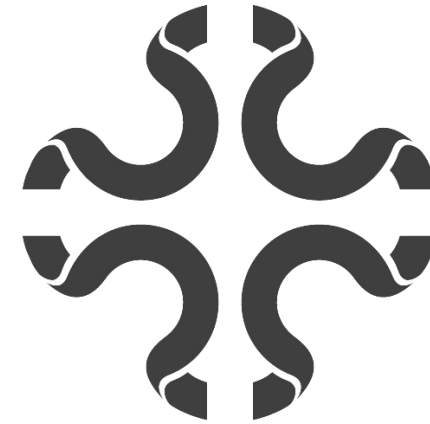
Thomas Brown, Karleen Buchholz,
Jenny Cumiskey, Ron Davis, Mark
Douglass, Kris Hull (*Moderator*), Daryl
Moore, Emily Ritzler, Suzanne
Thatcher, Carol Waller, Nelson
Cumiskey (*Youth Deacon*)

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

November 10, 2019 10:30 am

Commitment 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

November 10, 2019

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Flowers: *The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of America's men and women who sacrificed their lives in our nation's wars. Donated by the veterans of Saint Luke's.*

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 will 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:

TODAY! COMMITMENT SUNDAY FALL

FESTIVAL & BBQ CONTEST — Our commitment theme this year, inspired by Saint Luke's new vision statement, is simple, but powerful: "Boldly: Love, Serve, Give." Celebrate Commitment Sunday at the Fall Festival, featuring Saint Luke's BBQ contest. 11:30 am in the courtyard.

NEXT SUNDAY! FAMILY PROMISE BENEFIT

CONCERT— The Saint Luke's choir will join with the Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church choir for a musical program of celebration and thanksgiving on Nov. 17 at 4 pm. All are invited! Donations will benefit Family Promise.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS

DINNER — All women are cordially invited to the annual Presbyterian Women's (PW) Christmas Dinner on Monday, December 2, 2019. Mingle in the lobby from 6-6:30 pm, followed by a delicious dinner prepared by Chef Quentin, and concluding with a meaningful candlelight communion service in the Sanctuary. Inviting friends and family is highly encouraged. Please sign up and pay through REALM and indicate if you have a request to be seated with anyone in particular. If you need help, please see Erin Murray. \$16 pp. If you have any other questions, please contact Christy Keohane at christykeohane@yahoo.com or Fern Mitropoulos at tmitropoulos@comcast.net.

SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE — Angels needed! Make Christmas special for a child or senior in need! Take a name from the Angel Tree, and use the suggestions to purchase items for that child/senior. Unwrapped presents should be returned to the lobby by Friday, Nov. 29. Questions, contact Florence Luranc at FHLuranc@comcast.net.

NOV. 17: CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

— There will be a congregational meeting on Nov. 17 immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. The purpose is to elect at least four members to serve on the Officer Nominating Committee.

TAVERN TALKS ON NOV. 21

— Men of Saint Luke's are invited to join Senior Pastor David Lower, from 7-9:30 pm on Nov. 21 at Dunwoody Tavern, for food, beverages and good conversation. Bring a friend, everyone is welcome!

RISE AGAINST HUNGER ON NOV. 24

— Saint Luke's will participate in Rise Against Hunger on Sunday, Nov. 24, from 9:30 - 10:30 am, in the Great Hall. 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.

DECK THE HALLS ON NOV. 30

— Please join us on Saturday, Nov. 30, at 9:30 am as we transform Saint Luke's for Advent and Christmas. Wanted: Co-Coordinator. Questions? Contact Nancy Self at nself@comcast.net.

Closing Hymn*

I'll Fly Away

Some bright morning when this life is over
I'll fly away
To that home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away

REFRAIN

I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away (in the morning).
When I die, hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away.

When the shadows of this life have gone
I'll fly away
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly
I'll fly away

REFRAIN

Oh, how glad and happy when we meet
I'll fly away
No more cold iron shackles on my feet
I'll fly away

REFRAIN

Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joys will never end
I'll fly away

REFRAIN

Benediction*

Response #659*

**Know that God is good. Know that God is good.
Know that God is good; God is good; God is good.
Halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!**

Postlude*

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Worship note: Musicians for today's service are Jared Lanham, mandolin; Drew Lloyd, guitar; and Shawn Spencer, bass.

In Preparation for Worship

“How shall we live our faith in the risen Christ today?”

– F. Scott Spencer

Gathering Prayer

Prelude

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: God's love for us and the world calls us to a particular mission.

People: Responding to God's astonishing grace, we are moved to love God, love each other, and love our neighbors near and far.

Leader: God's love for us and the world casts a vision for us to see and make real.

People: Boldly following Jesus, we love all people, and work to build a compassionate, just, and peaceful world.

Leader: With clear mission and vision, let us worship God with thanks and praise!

Opening Hymn #837*

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Prayer for the Day* (unison)

Holy God, in Jesus Christ, You called us all to be bold in faith. By grace You set us free from the things that hold us back from the life You yearn for us to live. Forgive us for the times we show reluctance, delay our decisions, or give too little of ourselves. Inspire us to follow the courageous way of Jesus, who was willing to give everything for the sake of your coming kingdom. In Your holy name, we pray. Amen.

Song of Praise #582*

Glory to God

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me.
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

Welcome of New Members

We are pleased to welcome the following new members: Christopher Guest and Ashton Price, Jeff and Caitlin Philips, Jim Cleveland.

Passing the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Gerald Aldridge

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:29-37

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, get a nametag, and walk together to The Harbor for Faithful Friends.

Anthem

My Jesus, I Love Thee *arr. Richard Kingsmore* Chancel Choir

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;
For thee all the follies of sin I resign.

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou;
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou has first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love thee in life; I will love thee in death
And praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath,
And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow,
"If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

In mansions of glory and endless delight
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,
"If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now." *(William Featherston)*

Sermon

With All Boldness

David Lower

Hymn*

Down to the River to Pray

As I went down in the river to pray,
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown, (the robe and crown)
Good Lord, show me the way!

O sisters, let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down.
O sisters, let's go down,
Down in the river to pray.

O brothers...
O fathers...
O mothers...
O sinners...

Moment for Commitment

Faye & Steve Cashwell

Offering of Our Commitments

On this Commitment Sunday, we come forward as a sign of the gifts and time we pledge toward the next year in the life of our church.

If you have a 2020 pledge card, or a blue card from the pews signifying your electronic giving, or a gift for the church, you are invited to place it in the baskets provided. Please remain as we say a prayer over the pledges and gifts.

Prayer for Commitment 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.

Song of Thanksgiving #607*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**