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SERVING TODAY

Continental Breakfast:

Open/Close: Bill Womack

Chancel Guild: Ted & Mary Guerrant

Lay Reader: Laura Singley

Ushers: Jared Elliott, captain; Linda Elliot, Terry Nall, Donna Nall & Carol Hickey

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:

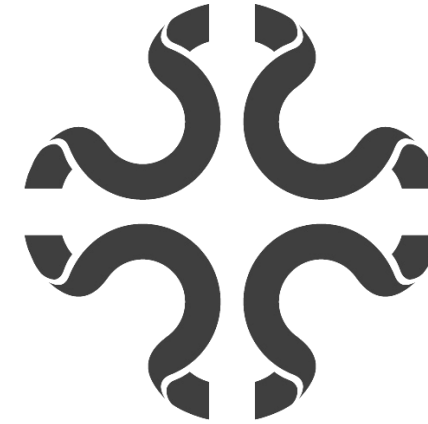
Thomas Brown, Karleen Buchholz, Jenny Cumiskey, Ron Davis, Mark Douglass, Kris Hull (*Moderator*), Daryl Moore, Emily Ritzler, Suzanne Thatcher, Carol Waller, Nelson Cumiskey (*Youth Deacon*)

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



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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

January 12, 2020 10:30 am

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Baptism of the Lord

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 special days or seasons in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, such as Christmas and Easter, and on Communion Sundays.

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:

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

JAN. 15: FEAST STARTS — Join us for our Wednesday night dinner and program, "Faith Outside This Place," Jan. 15-Feb. 26. Dinner at 5:45 pm; Program for all ages, 6:30-7 pm. Fill out the pew card or register at slpres.org.

JAN. 19: MENTAL HEALTH SPEAKER NIGHT— 5:30-7:30 pm, featuring Youth Speaker Tim Blue, with To Know We Are Not Alone (TKWANA), and Parent Speaker Stephen Propst, a former chair of Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance (DBSA). Chili potluck. Open to the community.

JAN. 25: ADULT CHILI DINNER—Adults are invited to the home of Becky and Tom Loftis (575 Old Cobblestone Dr. Atlanta 30350) for a Chili Supper on Saturday, January 25, from 6:30pm-9pm, \$7.50/person at the door. Please RSVP at slpres.org or contact Becky Loftis at loflylodge@me.com, Mary Martin at marymckeemartin@gmail.com or Faye Cashwell at faye@cashwellhome.com.

JAN. 26: PW SANDWICH PROJECT— Be a part of this fun, family, service event at 9:15 am on Sunday, Jan. 26th in the Great Hall! Sandwiches will be given to four different shelters to be distributed to hungry neighbors around Atlanta. You can help by sponsoring a banana box for \$25/box. These sturdy banana boxes carry almost 100 sandwiches each, so your sponsorship will feed a lot of hungry folks. Makes checks payable to Pres. Women, with sandwich project in the memo line. See the display in the lobby for more information.

JAN. 28: OWLS LUNCHEON— Join the Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors (OWLS) at 11:30 am on Tues., Jan. 28 featuring a presentation about cathedrals by Saint Luke's member Roby Price.

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 **Jan. 26, Feb. 2 and 9 at 9:15 a.m.** in the Session Room (room 109). New members will be welcomed during the 10:30 a.m. service on **Sun. Feb. 9**. Childcare provided during classes. Contact David Lower with questions: davidlower@slpres.org 770.393.1424, ext. 380.

FEB. 7-9: AUTHENTIC PARENTS RETREAT— Located in Montreat, NC, this retreat is for parents with kids of all ages; however, the workshops will primarily focus on families who have elementary, middle and high school-aged kids. For details, go to authenticparenting.org.

FEB. 14-16: BETTER MARRIAGES RETREAT — Join us at The Auburn Marriott Opelika Resort and Spa at Grand National for the Better Marriages Retreat February 14-16. Register now! For any questions email or call Bob and Christine Crutchfield at 770-364-8079 and gafrog01@hotmail.com.

MAR. 6-8: WOMEN'S RETREAT— March 6-8 at Dillard House with guest speaker Rev. Betsy Turner. Registration is open! Go to slpres.org for all the details.

Saint Luke's Little Saints Preschool & Kindergarten

2020-2021 Registration

Enroll your Little Saint in our church weekday school! We welcome all children ages 12 Months Old through Kindergarten. Registration for the 2020-2021 school year begins on Tuesday, January 21 for church members. Current families register on Wednesday, January 22 and new community families register on Thursday, January 23. Please contact Carol Perry, Director to arrange a tour of our wonderful school: carolperry@slpres.org.

Saint Luke's Presbyterian Church and Temple Emanu-el

in partnership with the **Anti-Defamation League (ADL) & the American Jewish Committee (AJC)** bring you:

BEARING WITNESS: A HUMANITARIAN CRISIS

What's really happening to asylum seekers at our borders and in our backyard?

What can we do to help?

Join us for a community-wide, non-partisan discussion on the humanitarian crisis facing asylum-seekers both at the US-Mexican border and in Georgia

Sunday, January 26, 3:30-5:30pm

Temple Emanu-el, 1580 Spalding Dr, Sandy Springs

RSVP Required. Go to templemanuelatlanta.org.

Panelists:

Charles Kuck, Managing Attorney, Kuck Baxter Immigration, Fmr. President American Immigration Lawyers Assn.

Traci Feit Love, Founder & Exec Director, Lawyers for Good Government & Project Corazon

Amilcar Valenca, Exec Director, El Refugio

In Preparation for Worship

“God's glory is not just for mountain tops but for the foot of mountains too, where human need cries out for help and God's glory can be revealed.”

– Rosalind Brown, *Holy in the Ordinary*

Gathering Prayer

Prelude

Christ our Lord to Jordan Came *Johann Pachelbel*

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: God calls us together.

People: God gathers us in.

Leader: God leads us home.

People: And we are forever changed!

Opening Hymn #401*

Here in This Place

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Hear also the personal confessions on our hearts...
(Silence is kept for personal reflection.)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise*

from Angels We Have Heard on High

Gloria, in excelsis Deo.
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Passing the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.
 People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Laura Singley

Scripture Reading

Mark 2:1-22

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

Tell Us Our Story

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.

AnthemTo Jordan Came Our Lord, the Christ
J. S. Bach

Chancel Choir

To Jordan came our Lord the Christ, to do God's pleasure willing
 And there was by Saint John baptized, all righteousness fulfilling;
 There did he consecrate a bath to wash away transgression
 And quench the bitterness of death by his own blood and passion;
 He would a new life give us.

Sermon

Following 101

Shannon Dill

Hymn #372*

O for a World

Affirmation of Faith*

from a Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God.
 Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
 we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
 whom alone we worship and serve.
 We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
 Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
 preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
 teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
 healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
 eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
 and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
 In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily
 tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and
 new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"
 With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
 can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Moment for Mission

Saint Luke's Little Saints

Carol Perry

Preschool & Kindergarten

OfferingSoul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness *Anton Leupold*

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**Song of Thanksgiving***

O...star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright.
 Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

Closing Hymn #731*

Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm

Benediction***Response***Send Out Your Light *John Bell*

Chancel Choir

Send out your light, Lord, send your truth to be my guide.
 Then let them lead me to the place where you reside. *Psalms 43:3*

Postlude*We All Are One in Mission *Mark Sedio*

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