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### **SERVING TODAY**

**Continental Breakfast:** James Kilgore

Open/Close: Miles Young

Chapel Guild: Sally & Dan Joyce

#### **LEADERSHIP**

#### **ELDERS**

### Class of 2020:

Carol Ciepluch, Leslie Hamlin, Kay
Loerch (Clerk of Session), Florence
Luranc, J J 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

February 2, 2020 8:15



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## **February 2, 2020**

4th 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 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 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** 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 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 activity sheets and tactile activities are available on the table just outside the Chapel doors. For your convenience, there is a Family Restroom located in the administrative office's hallway, on the first floor, near the main lobby.

**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.



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

**TODAY! REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR WOMEN'S RETREAT**— Join us March 6-8 at
Dillard House with guest speaker Rev. Betsy
Turner. Go to slpres.org for details and to
register!

**TONIGHT! FAITH & PARENTING**— Schoolaged families are invited to the home of David and Amanda Lower on Feb. 2 at 5:30 pm for a Super Bowl edition of Faith & Parenting.

FEB 5: WEDNESDAY NIGHT FEAST— Join us for our Wednesday night dinner and program, "Faith Outside This Place," featuring Pam Jones and Tamara Carrera with the Community Assistance Center (CAC). Dinner at 5:45 pm; Program for all ages will be 6:30-7 pm. Fill out the pew card or register at slpres.org. Remaining dates: Feb. 5,12, 19, 26.

**FEB 8: CHURCH BREAKFAST**— 8 am with Saint Luke's member Kevin Kennedy, who will discuss his work with CURE, and how faith, family, friends, and community helped him through a challenging time.

## FEB. 14-16: BETTER MARRIAGES RETREAT—

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

**FEB. 22: TARTAN TROT**—See box for ways to be a part of this amazing event! Or for more information, go to slpres.org!

**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 **Feb. 2 and 9 at 9:15 am** in the Session Room (room 109). New members will be welcomed during the 10:30 am service on **Sun. Feb. 9.** Childcare provided during classes. Questions: davidlower@slpres.org.

IOH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED— Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) provides transitional housing for families who are homeless. On the third Thursday of each month, Saint Luke's provides and delivers a meal, which feeds approximately 30 people. Meal expenses are reimbursable. Volunteers needed for Feb. 20, March 19, April 16 and May 21. Please sign up in lobby or contact Al Bridges 770-394-6581/bridgtr@aol.com.

### **VALENTINE BOXES: POSTAGE AND TREATS**

**NEEDED**— Donations for postage (\$8/box; leave in PW treasurer box) and treats— especially homemade baked goods such as brownies, cookies, rice crispy treats, etc.— are needed for PW Valentine boxes that will be sent to college students, military and home bound members. Homemade treats should be **individually wrapped** and brought to the Parlor, along with any store bought treats such as candy, popcorn, granola bars, etc., before 11 am on Feb. 11, which is when boxes will be packed. Please contact Jean Cronan, cronan39@msn.com or 770.630.8423 (cell) with questions.

**SAVE THE DATES: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD**— April 4, 18, 25 and May 2, 9, 16 & 30.

## Tartan Trot is Feb. 22, 2020!

Here's three ways you can be a part of this amazing event that supports Saint Luke's Youth Missions and Saint Luke's Outreach Partners:

#### **VOLUNTEER**

It takes about 150 of us volunteering to make this amazing event a success. Go to slpres.org or contact Race Director TJ McGoldrick at tj.mcgoldrick@gmail.com to sign up:

- •Race Day Opportunities
- •Non-Race Day Opportunities
- •Bring/Make a Cake or Pie

#### REGISTER TO RUN/WALK

Go to tartantrot.com to register for the Peachtree-qualifying 5k or 10k race! Register by Feb. 5 to guarantee a shirt!

**PARTICIPATE IN UPCOMING FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES** (proceeds from these events directly support Tartan Trot):

- •Feb. 9: Vintage Pizza Spirit Night, 5:30 pm
- •Feb. 15: CycleBar Dunwoody Class at 12:15 pm. \$20. Details at slpres.org.

# **Prayers for Maji Mazuri Mission Team**

The following Saint Luke's members will travel to Nairobi, Kenya, where they will be renovating the children's library at the Headstart School in Mathare: Erin Dixon, Lauren Fogarty, Taylor Harper, Betsy King, Erin Rugh, Laura and JJ Singley, and Shannon Dill. Please keep them in your prayers.

# **In Preparation for Worship**

"I wish grace and healing were more abracadabra kind of things. Also, that delicate silver bells would ring to announce grace's arrival. But no, it's clog and slog and scootch, on the floor, in the silence, in the dark."

- Anne Lamott, Grace (Eventually)

## **Prelude**

Overture Robert Powell

## **Welcome and Announcements**

At this time, please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew.

## **Moment for Tartan Trot**

## Call to Worship\*

Leader: God is mighty in word and deed. People: God's mercy is everlasting.

Leader: Blessed be the one holy and living God.

People: Glory to God forever!

## Opening Hymn #32\*

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

## Call to Confession\*

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. Leader: Let us pray.

# **Prayer of Confession\***

Gracious God, we so often miss your kingdom at work among us. Forgive us for struggling to notice where and how you are at work around us. Help us to grow in faithfulness, we pray, so that we might see and reach our potential to be ushers of your kingdom.

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\***

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## Song of Praise #447\*

We Are Forgiven

We are forgiven, we are forgiven, thanks be to God, thanks be to God. We are forgiven, we are forgiven, thanks be to God, thanks be to God.

# **Passing the Peace of Christ\***

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

# **Prayer for Illumination**

Scripture Lesson Mark 5:21-43

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

# **Tell Us Our Story**

David Lower

Children are always welcome to stay in worship. If preferred, parents may take their child(ren) to child care in Room 114.

**Sermon** Reaching for Grace Shannon Dill

## 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.

# 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

**Song of Thanksgiving #652\*** A Grateful Heart

A grateful heart is what I bring, a song of praise, my offering. Among the saints I lift my voice: in you, O God, I will rejoice.

# **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.

# **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** Communion Louis Vierne

**Closing Hymn #657\*** Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness

Benediction\*

Postlude\* Finale Robert Powell

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