



11 a.m. ~ March 6, 2011

St. Luke's Presbyterian Church

The Church of the Word & Sacraments
Liturgical Color: White

Our 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.

Our Vision

To be a beacon of faith, hope, and love ~ every member
an active disciple in Christ's ministry.

We Assemble in God's Name

In Preparation for Worship

We come with reverence to praise and adore You, O God. You have given Your beloved Son for our salvation, and made the nations His inheritance, the ends of the earth His possession. You call us to be part of Your household, and therein to partake of Your promise. We gather as Your people, attentive to Your word and ready to do Your bidding. Amen.

Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Jason Whitener

Prelude

Angels

Jules Massenet

*Call to Worship

1 Peter 1:13-16

Leader: Prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you.

People: As He Who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct.

Leader: For it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

People: Trust in God Who raised Him and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

All: Let us worship God!

†*Processional Hymn #481 *Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show*

LLANFAIR

Celebration of Community

Shannon Dill

*Invitation to Confession

Kyrie

John Merbecke

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

arr. Healy Willan

*Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

*Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We seek You on the mountaintop, O God, for we fear to face the city. We would rather be dazzled by Your splendor on some Sinai than obey Your commands in the urban wilderness. We find it easier to worship the wonder-working Jesus than to follow the Christ, Who was obedient unto death. Merciful God, forgive our shallow ways. Help us to find You wherever You choose to dwell, and to serve You wherever You choose to send us. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

†*Gloria Patri

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.

Anthem

I Can Help

Hal Hopson

Cherub Choir

Kristy Whitener, director ~ Kelly Sloan, piano

Parents of children through age 3 may take them to the nursery.

Parents of children in Pre-K and kindergarten may take them to the Faithful Friends Class, Room 119.

We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

Morning Prayer & 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

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

Ted Guerrant

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Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 17:1-9

Jason Whitener

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Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Peaks of Faith"

Jason Whitener

*Nicene Creed (in unison)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

We Respond to God's Word

Offering & Offertory

Sing to the Lord a New Song
Chancel Choir

Robert Lau

People and tongues of every nation sing to the Lord a new song. Bring Him a song of jubilation. All God's creatures, old men and children, voices raised in hymns of love. He crowns the humble with salvation. Mountains and hills and all creation join in a hymn of adoration. Praise His name, sing, "Alleluia!" Praise Him for His mighty deeds. This is our song, our supplication. Praise Him shining stars, and praise Him highest heavens. Oh, all kings and princes praise His holy name. Angels above make melody to Him. Now lift your voice, lift up your heart and sing! Come, Christians all, now raise your voices, praise and thanksgiving be your choices. Sound the trumpet, play on the lute and harp; dance your dance, and shout for joy. Make music now as heaven rejoices!
(Psalms 148, 149 and 150, paraphrased)

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Lord's Supper

When coming forward for Communion, please take 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). All persons are invited to participate in the sacrament. Children who have discussed the sacrament with their parents and/or a pastor are welcome. Parents, please note the center rings of the communion trays are filled with wine. Only the outer ring is filled with grape juice.

Communion Music

A Song of Gladness
Festival Ringers

Cynthia Dobrinski

We Go in God's Name

*Closing Hymn #388

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ANGEL'S STORY

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Benediction

*Postlude

Fanfare

Jacques Lemmens

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Serving Today

Acolytes: Bible Bearer: Sam Wassell; Candle Lighter: Miranda Wesley;

Crucifer: Ellie Eisenmesser; Bell Ringer: Ann-Marie Sills

Bread for Visitors: Eileene & Wilson Pritt **Chancel Guild:** Andrea & Roby Price

Continental Breakfast: Laura, J.J., Jack & Casey Singley

Communion Servers: Dave Elkins - captain; Kim Fadel; Ted Guerrant;

Ellen & John Massey; Catherine Anne & Ross Thomas

Faithful Friends: Krissy & Chip Williams

Greeters: Sharon & Tom Clark; Paula Humer

Nursery Supervisor: Beth Collins Himes **Nursery Volunteers:** Lindsey & Andrew Grinnell

Open/Close: Jim Cox **Sound Crew:** Roby Price

Ushers: Laura & Sonny Jester; Margaret Ann & Kevin Kennedy; Mary Martin - captain

For Your Personal Reflections

KNOW

Inquirers' and New Members' Class

An Inquirers' and New Members' Class will be held every Sunday (9:30 - 10:40 a.m.) in the Session Room #109 (located just off the main lobby area), beginning **TODAY**, March 6 and ending Sunday, April 10. This class is for all who are interested in learning more about St. Luke's. Please speak with Jason Whitener if you have any questions.

Adult Sunday School ~ Next Sunday ~ 9:30-10:30 a.m.

FINCH (Families in Christ), Room 203: This class brings together parents and other adults to learn and grow in their own faith and their ability to share that faith with their families.

Kerygma Study of the Parables, Room 232: This semester we will study First Corinthians, learning from the writer, Paul, how to "walk the talk." We will discover how having the mind of Christ affects the way we live.

The Present Word, Room 145, Parlor: This class is for all levels of biblical knowledge as a traditional Bible study. Next week's lesson is "Qualifications of Worship Leaders." (1 Timothy 3:1-13)

Seasons of the Spirit, Room 235: This discussion class is biblically-based and follows the revised common Lectionary. In spite of our actions that separate us from God and neighbor, God's grace is abundant - restoring and healing us. (Psalm 32)

Soul Food (Finding Sustenance for Faithful Living), Room 234: Fellowship, study and discussion on a range of topics related to spirituality in our lives. "The Thoughtful Christian" curriculum provides much of the source material for this class.

Youth Connection (SLYC)

Sunday:

Sunday School: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class: The confirmation class has been on a Retreat this weekend; no class today. We will resume classes next week, 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the Middle School Room, #208.

Youth Choir: No Youth Choir today, we will resume next week, 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Choir Room.

Youth Connect: NO Youth Connect tonight, we will resume next week, 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Great Hall.

Electronic calendar and more info at www.slpres.org/youth.asp

Children's Ministries

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is This Week! Please reserve your pancake dinner now for this week's Shrove Tuesday event! We'll savor the pancakes, bacon, fruit, fellowship, and fun evening together, beginning this Tuesday at 6 p.m. **Remember, this is a stand-alone event which requires separate registration.** Fill out a blue pew card, call the front desk, or contact sallyhawkins@slpres.org by noon on Monday if at all possible. After dinner there will be games and crafts for the kids and a special Bible study in the chapel for adults. Join us!

Join the PandaMania Crew! Starting today, volunteer slots for our PandaMania VBS, set for June 6 through June 9, are posted on the big bamboo banner in Sheppard Hall. Volunteers get all sorts of perks - like delicious snacks, a cool T-shirt, fun with friends, and the joy of helping kids learn that God is wild about them. Go out on a limb and tell us how you can help!

Parents, mark your calendars for Sunday, March 20...that's the day we begin taking VBS Registrations for St. Luke's member families. St. Luke's Little Saints' families may register beginning March 27, and our community friends may register beginning April 10. Spread the word! Questions? Contact cathomas@slpres.org.

Faith Journey and Faithful Friends: Throughout March, both our elementary Sunday School students and our Faithful Friends will be learning about baptism. All lessons will be age-appropriate and filled with relevant connections about this important sacrament of our Christian faith. Even if your child does not regularly attend these programs, please know that they are welcome to drop in for any and all of these lessons.

See page 9 for Family Movie Night on March 11.

Men's Bible Study

Fridays, 6:40 a.m. to 8 a.m., in the Parlor, Room 145: The men are studying Proverbs. For more information or to sign up, contact Dave Elkins at d.elkins@att.net.

St. Luke's Presbyterian Women

Circle 1 - Monday, March 7, 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor

Night Circle - Monday, March 7, 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor

Circle 2 - Tuesday, March 8, 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor

Study Lesson for March: Number 2: "You Do Better When You Try" from *The Top Ten List for Christians* by James W. Moore. Circle Item for March: Easter bags & financial contributions for CHRIS Kids.

FEAST for ALL

Join us on Wednesday night to feed your faith!

5:45 p.m. ~ Adult dinner line opens

6 p.m. ~ Kid's dinner is served

6:30-7:30 p.m. ~ Programs for all ages

Stephen Ministry - Showing Others You Care (March 16 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.): We started to pack our Caring Toolbox last Wednesday, but we aren't finished yet! Please join us Wednesday, March 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel (as part of the Feast program). We will continue to learn skills we can use when we reach out to a family member, co-worker, friend or neighbor experiencing hospitalization, illness, personal problems or other difficulties. Our tools are inexpensive, readily available, easy to use and come with a Lifetime Guarantee!

FEAST for ALL Special Events:

- **Shrove Tuesday, March 8, 6 p.m.** will see the return of our annual Pancake Supper with Mardi Gras games and crafts showing how this holiday is important to our faith. Adults may attend a special Lent preparation Bible study after dinner. This is a special stand-alone event, **not included in our FEAST registration**. To sign up, complete a blue pew card or contact Sally Hawkins at sallyhawkins@slpres.org.
- **Ash Wednesday Service, March 9, 7 p.m.**
- **Seder Passover Dinner with Rabbi Scott Colbert on March 23, 6 p.m.** as he helps us celebrate Passover!
- **Habitat for Humanity Service Night, March 30, 6 p.m.** will be the Kickoff for our next Habitat Build. There is something for everyone to do to be a part of this year's Habitat House.

SHARE

Last Sunday, St. Luke's Church welcomed 71 guests to its worship services. Each Sunday, many of our pews will have a first-time or repeat visitor. Your warm welcome to our guests expresses the inviting and hospitable character of this congregation. Your smile and welcoming word makes a difference.

FREE BOOKS! Come to the library where you can check-out any book you want and it's free! There are stories of adventure, hope, love, and betrayal - and that's just in the Bible! We have a lot more books where you can find just the right "fit" for your reading tastes.

Music Ministry: At St. Luke's everyone has an opportunity to participate in music. Rehearsal Schedules are:

- **Cherub Choir**, Wednesdays, 5:30 - 6 p.m. (4 yrs. - 1st grade), Room 203
- **Westminster Choir**, Wednesdays, 5:15 - 6 pm. (2nd - 5th grades), Choir Room
- **Youth Choir**, Sundays, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. (6th - 12th grades), Choir Room
- **Festival Ringers**, Wednesdays, 6:15 - 7:15 p.m., Handbell Room
- **Chancel Choir**, Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., Choir Room

Maryville College Chorus: This chorus is an auditioned ensemble of 50 singers who perform choral literature of many styles. The choir will be leading us in music at the 11 a.m. worship service next Sunday, March 13. They will sing an extended Prelude beginning in the Sanctuary at 10:45 a.m., provide all service music during worship, and sing an extended Postlude following the service. Come early and stay late to enjoy the music!

Wooster College Chorus: The Wooster Chorus will be performing their 2011 concert, "Believe", at St. Luke's on Thursday, March 17 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Founded in 1964, and currently under the direction of Lisa Yozviak, the choir has been praised for their high level of artistry, engaging performances, and enthusiastic singing. Child care will be provided and there will be a freewill offering.

Orchestra Sunday: All those who play instruments should mark Sunday, March 20 on their calendars. The church orchestra will warm up at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary, and play for the 11 a.m. worship service that morning. All are invited to participate. Winds, strings and brass are especially encouraged to play with us that Sunday. Please contact Clair Maxwell (clairmaxwell@slspsres.org) if you would like to participate.

Atlanta Balalaika Society Concert: Plan on joining us on Sunday, March 20, at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The ABSO is the Southeast's premier purveyor of authentic Russian music. Come and enjoy the music and instruments as they present authentic folk selections that can be enjoyed by the entire family. Child care will be provided.

Jobs & Java - St. Luke's Job Seekers Support Group: Next meeting, **Tuesday, March 15**, noon at Starbucks in Dunwoody Village for networking and support. For information, contact Louise Lewis (LewisLouise@bellsouth.net) or Jared Elliot (jared.elliott@att.net). Below are some St. Luke's members who are in a job search.

Diane Beidl, Residential Real Estate Paralegal, dlbeidl@bellsouth.net / 770-448-5785

Jared Elliot, Manager/Director of Operations, Jared.Elliot@att.net

Jim Garrison, Advertising and Marketing, jimgarrison@mindspring.com / 404-408-5550

Earl Owens, Financial & Management Analyst, Management Accounting & Activity Based Costing, unc_tarheel@bellsouth.net / 770-986-0234 (home); 770-789-8254 (cell)

Mark Thomas, Management Consultant (organizational effectiveness & efficiency, business process reengineering, change management), markrthomas@comcast.net

Kris Turnbull, Talent Management Professional (training, leadership assessment and development, competency assessment, and workforce analytics), 770-634-8700 or kris.e.turnbull@gmail.com

Keith Williams, Account Manager, Marketing Manager, Account Executive, keithwilliams_10999@hotmail.com / 678-571-7337

Family Movie Night: Friday, March 11, 6 to 8 p.m., join your friends at Family Movie Night, featuring "Lady and the Tramp" - popcorn provided. Feel free to bring your dinner, blankets, bean bags and pillows. Cartoons from 6 to 6:30; movie starting at 6:30. Questions? Contact Amanda Dunnick at amandadunnick@bellsouth.net or 770-522-0850.

Men's Breakfast, March 12: Men of St. Luke's - We've got a terrific way of getting off to a great start on the second Saturday of the month at 8 a.m. - St. Luke's Men's Breakfast! It's a special deal - a time of Christian fellowship; a major big-time really good breakfast; an opportunity for new knowledge. On March 12 we'll host Dodd-Sterling UMC for our Habitat for Humanity Kickoff. Plan to start your Saturday in a very good way! Look for the usual invitation via email and be sure to contact Daryl Moore with questions.

Faith and Film, Friday, March 18: March's film is "Rust". Dinner is at 7 p.m., and the movie starts at 7:30 p.m., Room 207. RSVP to Josh & Cindy Nunez at cd_nunez@bellsouth.net and contact them to help with food.

O.W.L.S. (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors): On Tuesday, March 22, our luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. (\$7) followed by a fun work session of making the Reed Crosses for our Palm Sunday service.

Posture Perfect with Lisa Beckman: Lisa Beckman is the only Affiliate of the Egoscue Method of structural alignment in this area. This class meets on Mondays, 12:30 p.m., Room 203. \$5 per class, no pre-registration, start this class at any time and continue at your pace. It's great for couch potatoes to athletes in training. Please bring a towel or yoga mat with you.

It's Not Easy Being Green: However, St. Luke's has made being green easier. To recycle paper, don't forget we have a paper collection bin in the back parking lot, beside the Boy Scout trailer. You may drop off any paper in any color as long as it is "tearable," everything from your newspaper to your junk mail. The only paper not accepted is toilet paper, paper towels, and tissues. St. Luke's will receive the money from the recycled paper and in turn, will use that money to help the church become more green!

SERVE

Summer Mission Trips to Mexico: St. Luke's St. Luke's is planning for our summer mission trips to Mexico. This will be our 20th year to build houses and spread the love of God to our sisters and brothers in Piedras Negras, Mexico. Please prayerfully consider joining the group during one of St. Luke's two weeks - it will be the vacation of a lifetime! The 2 trips are planned for: July 10th through 16th and July 17th through 23rd. Both weeks are open for all ages and truly, there is a job for everyone. To express interest or get more information, sign up on the Outreach bulletin board in the lobby or call or email Mary Martin, 770-441-0373, mary.martin@nsn.com.

Volunteers Needed: Cut a hole in the darkness, or poke a hole if you are from Texas, by providing a meal to I.O.H. or the Druid Hills Night Shelter.

Interfaith Outreach House (I.O.H.) provides transitional housing for homeless families. Parents have classes on the third Thursday of every month and St. Luke's provides and delivers a meal to the families for approximately 10 adults and 15 children. Meal reimbursement is budgeted. Volunteers for I.O.H. meals are needed for March 17 and May 19.

The Druid Hills Night Shelter provides shelter and food for 26 homeless men and is now open year-round. On the fourth Sunday of each month, St. Luke's prepares and serves a meal for the men. Eating with the men is encouraged and they enjoy the companionship. Volunteers for Druid Hills Night Shelter are needed for June 26, and July 24. If you or your group are interested, please contact Al Bridges at 770-394-6581 or sign on the lobby bulletin board.

St. Luke's Continental Breakfast: We're looking for volunteers to bring breakfast at least one Sunday. Reimbursement is available - you just bring the yummys! For information or to volunteer, contact Mark McCann at markmccann7@gmail.com or 404-432-4034, or Todd Parker at tparker220@comcast.net or 404-964-0578.

Buy Some; Share One: St. Luke's has an ongoing food drive to support local organizations. We ask that every time you go to the grocery store, pick up one extra non-perishable item and put it in the cart in the lobby - Buy Some; Share One!

- The Community Action Center's Food Pantry is in **immediate need** of canned meats, canned pastas and peanut butter. Please help fill the pantry for neighbors seeking assistance.

R.O.C.K. (Reaching Out Through Crocheting & Knitting): Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - noon, Parlor, #145. Men and women, young and not quite so young, of varying skill levels (absolute beginners to experts) are welcome! We make prayer shawls, layette sets for preemies, squares for blankets, and a variety of other outreach projects.

Elders

Class of 2011: Ken Barton, Jan Billions, Steve Cashwell (Clerk of Session), Doug Chipman, Steve Klein, Kay Loerch, Clarice Reid (Youth Elder), Bob Smallwood

Class of 2012: Bona Allen, John Bradley, Ted Guerrant, Ellie Moorhead, Julie Pile, Laura Strange, Beth Underhill

Class of 2013: Bob Crutchfield, Denis DuBois, David King, Bruce Jones, Nancy Moore, Jennifer Price, Mark Rogers.

Deacons

Class of 2011: Carol Ciepluch, Susan Crawford (Moderator), Mark McCann, Janine McKenney, Lisa Meyers, Yvonne Miller, Josh Nunez, Ashley Owens, Ellen Womack

Class of 2012: Jean Cronan, Beth Eisenmesser, Andrew Grinnell, Glenda Gray, Mary Kent, Todd Parker, Wayne Radloff, Steve Vail, Ginger Williams

Class of 2013: Chris Alexander, Brian Anderson, Paula Barbin, Paul Clay, Leigh Ann Haertel, Tom McGurk, Tom McKinney, Kelly Sloan, Jennifer Wolfe.

Singing at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church
Sunday, March 13th
11 a.m. worship

The Maryville College Concert Choir
2011 Spring Tour



Wooster Chorus

BELIEVE

LISA WONG YOZVIAK
Music Director

Thursday, March 17, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
St. Luke's Presbyterian Church
1978 Mt. Vernon Road
Dunwoody, Georgia
child care provided
freewill offering

THE COLLEGE OF
WOOSTER

Welcome to our guests!

We are delighted you are worshipping with us! As a guest, you are invited to:

1. During the Celebration of Community please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass the Friendship Pad down the pew.
2. After the worship service, please join **Deacon Yvonne Miller, Elder Bob Smallwood**, and one of our **Ministers** in the narthex. They will answer questions and provide a Guest Packet and a loaf of bread for first time visitors.
3. If you are interested in learning more about St. Luke's and/or are interested in joining, please contact Jason Whitener, 770-393-1424 ext. 223 or jasonwhitener@slpres.org. Also, please see the announcement on page 6 of the bulletin about the Inquirers' and New Members' Class.

♿ That All May Worship: St. Luke's strives to be a welcoming church for all. Assistive hearing devices, large print hymnals, large print bulletins and pew cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.

Parents: During the 11 a.m. worship service, if necessary, the parlor is a comfortable place to be with your child and still see the service. Children's Worship Notebooks are available for all ages in the coat area of the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

St. Luke's Presbyterian Church

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8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion Service ~ 9:30 Sunday School ~ 11 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary
(Nursery Provided for all services and Sunday School)

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday
(After hours pastoral emergency, please call one of the pastors at home.)

Church Staff

Pastor, Dr. Jason Whitener	Director of Children's Ministries, Catherine Anne Thomas
Associate Pastor, Rev. Shannon Dill	Intern, Youth & Children's Ministries, Kelly Fitzgerald
Associate Pastor, Rev. Phil Brown	Director of Music & Organist, Clair Maxwell
Pastor Emeritus, Dr. E. Moss Robertson	Director of St. Luke's Little Saints Preschool & Kindergarten, Carol Perry
Facilities Manager, Roby Price	Administrative Assistants, Shirley Carrier & Liz Catlett
Receptionists, Sally Hawkins & Betsy Turner	
Treasurer, Gary Phipps	

Pastoral Counseling

St. Luke's Perimeter Counseling Center ~ Georgia C. Griffin, J.D., M. Div., Director
Perimeter Center, Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist/Mediator
404-636-1457, ext. 452.

Last Sunday's Attendance: 8:30 a.m. - 63; 11 a.m. - 359
Last Sunday's Tithes & Offerings: \$18,021 Financial reports are available online.