

## Bible Study & Christian Education

### Children's Ministries

**Faith Journey Sunday School:** We need elementary teachers for March, when we'll focus on Communion, and April, when we'll be learning about Baptism. What an incredible opportunity to make faith connections with so many of our children! And as always, all lessons and materials are prepared. Please sign up in Sheppard Hall or email [cathomas@slpres.org](mailto:cathomas@slpres.org).

**FEAST** fun continues each Wednesday night. We know that spring schedules are crazy, so try to drop in when you can...even if you're not registered. We're having a lot of fun with "Faith, Hope, and Love"!

**High Seas Expedition**, our Vacation Bible School for this summer, is set to sail from Monday, June 7 through Thursday, June 10, from 9 am to noon. Also available: "Overboard!", an extended day of fun until 4:00 with an optional day on Friday, June 11. Registration for church members is March 21; please see our website for details. **(See inside for Movie Night!)**

### Youth Connection (SLYC)

#### Sundays:

9:30 a.m. in the Youth rooms 207 & 208 for Sunday School

3:30-4:30 p.m. Confirmation (thru 3/28)

4:30-5:30 p.m. Youth Choir Practice in Choir Room

5:30-7:30 p.m. Youth Connect

#### Wednesdays:

6:00-6:30 p.m. Dinner in Great Hall

6:30-7:30 p.m. FEAST Bible Study - Senior High Room #207

**SUMMER TRIPS REGISTRATION CLOSED - may be able to fit a few more in!**

Check the blog for details:

[www.stlukespres.blogspot.com](http://www.stlukespres.blogspot.com)

### Young Adult Ministry (SLYAM)

**3rd Fridays ~ 7 p.m.:** Faith & Film / Room 207. See Fellowship News for more information.

**Info:** Phil, 770-393-1424 or e-mail [philbrown@slpres.org](mailto:philbrown@slpres.org)

### Adult Sunday School ~ Next Sunday's Info:

**FINCH (Families in Christ)~Room 203:** Bringing together parents and adults to learn and grow in their own faith and their ability to share that faith with their families.

**Kerygma Study of Acts~Room 232:** Offering a thorough study of this New Testament account of the early church and its message for the church today. No homework, but it is discussion based and class participation is encouraged.

**The Present Word~Room 145:** Anointed by a Woman in Bethany (Matthew 26: 6-13)

**Seasons of the Spirit~Room 235:** We trust in God's strong and tender care of us. (Luke 13: 31-35)

**Soul Food~Room 234:** Finding Sustenance for Faithful Living: Fellowship, study and discussion on a range of topics related to living in today's world.

### Men's Bible Study

**Fridays, 6:40 a.m. to 8 a.m., in the Parlor, Room 145:** The men are studying the books of Hebrews through Jude. For more information or to sign up, contact Dave Elkins at [d.elkins@att.net](mailto:d.elkins@att.net) or 770-458-6415.

### Presbyterian Women

**Monday, March 8, 9:30 a.m.** Circle 1 meets in the Parlor (childcare available by registration)

**Monday, March 8, 7:30 p.m.** Night Circle meets in the Parlor

**Tuesday, March 9, 9:30 a.m.** Circle 2 meets in the Parlor

**February Circle Item:** Easter Bags & financial contributions for CHRIS kids

**Bible Study:** Chapters 8 & 9 "Matthew - The Tax Collector", "Thomas - The Twin", "James - The Less", "Simon - The Zealot", and "Judas - The Apostle with Three Names" from *Twelve Ordinary Men* by John McArthur.

## Estate Planning Seminar

The Endowment Committee is pleased to sponsor an Estate Planning Seminar with Magellan Planning Group. This is open to the church family, friends and community. The seminar will be held on **Thursday, February 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** in the Session Room #109. A light lunch will be provided from 11:30 to noon. Len Bittner and Kevin Meaders will lead the seminar from 12 to 1 p.m. The seminar will cover the "Top Ten Estate Planning Mistakes". To RSVP, please sign-up on the sheet on the lobby bulletin board or call Tom McKinney at 770-396-3598 with any questions.

## Welcome to our guests!

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

1. During the Words of Welcome, 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 Susan Crawford, Elder Rosemary Armstrong-Burton**, and one of our **Ministers** in the Narthex. They will answer questions and provide a Guest Packet.
3. Our next New Member Class will be held with our new Senior Minister, Jason Whitener. More information to come. For questions, please contact Shannon Dill, 770-393-1424 x 229 / [shannondill@slpres.org](mailto:shannondill@slpres.org).

**& That All May Worship:** Assistive hearing devices, large print hymnals, large print bulletins and pew cushions are available. An usher will assist you.

**Parents:** If necessary, the parlor is a comfortable place to be with your child and still see the service.

## St. Luke's Presbyterian Church

1978 Mt. Vernon Rd. - Dunwoody, GA 30338-4617

770-393-1424 Fax 770-393-3278 <http://www.slpres.org>

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

Senior Pastor, Dr. Jason Whitener (joining us March 1, 2010)

Associate Pastor of Educational Ministries, Rev. Shannon Dill

Associate Pastor of Youth Ministry, Rev. Phil Brown

Pastor Emeritus, Dr. E. Moss Robertson

Director of Children's Ministries, Catherine Anne Thomas

Intern, Youth & Children's Ministries, Kelly Fitzgerald

Director of Music & Organist, Clair Maxwell

Director of St. Luke's Little Saints Preschool & Kindergarten, Carol Perry

Facilities Manager, Roby Price

Administrative Assistants, Shirley Carrier & Liz Catlett

Receptionists, Sally Hawkins & Lolly Ross

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.

## Elders

Steve Cashwell, Clerk of Session **Class of 2010:** Rosemary Armstrong Burton, Karen McAlarney, Nael McCarty, Alan Miller, Andrea Price, Ross Thomas, Steve Thornton, Miles Young. **Class of 2011:** Ken Barton, Jan Billions, Steve Cashwell, Doug Chipman, Steve Klein, Kay Loerch, Bob Smallwood. **Class of 2012:** Bona Allen, John Bradley, Ted Guerrant, Ellie Moorhead, Julie Pile, Laura Strange, Beth Underhill.

## Deacons

Mark Mason, Moderator **Class of 2010:** Mary Louise Connor, John Eagar, Ellie Goodwin, Mark Mason, Cathy Ray, Lisa Reeves, Scott Rice, Stanton Thomas, Ron Valdes. **Class of 2011:** Carol Ciepluch, Susan Crawford, 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, Wayne Radloff, Steve Vail, Ginger Williams.

Last Sunday's Attendance: 284 Last Sunday's Tithes & Offerings: \$15,170

Financial reports are available online.

Behold, I am doing a  
new thing;  
now it springs forth,  
do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the  
wilderness and  
rivers in the desert.

Isaiah 43:19

11 a.m. ~ February 21, 2010  
First Sunday in Lent

*St. Luke's Presbyterian Church*

The Church of the Word & Sacraments &  
Liturgical Color: Purple

## 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.

## Assemble in God's Name

### In Preparation for Worship

*"I also believe God's idea is about newness of life, just as Paul said. That is why we are buried by baptism - so that we may rise to new life - not the one we had planned, perhaps, nor the one we expected, but the one it has pleased God to give us."*

Barbara Brown Taylor, God in Pain

### Gathering Prayer

#### Prelude

*Be Thou My Vision*

arr. Franklin D. Ashdown

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Open to me the gates of righteousness that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

**People: I thank you, God, that you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

Leader: This is the day which the Lord has made;

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

### †\*Processional Hymn (*see insert*)

*Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights*

TALLIS CANON

#### Introit

*Into My Heart*

Harry Clarke

*Weave*

Rosemary Crow

Cherub Choir; Cathy Schreiber, director - piano

### Celebration of Community

#### Minute for Endowment

Tim Cutler

### \*Call to Prayer & Prayer of Adoration

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**Response: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

### \*Invitation & Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**God of the living waters: how restless is your love; how resolute is your faithfulness. We confess that we are growing weary of the journey. We long for security; but we seek it in shallow places. Stay with us as we think deeply about your gift of new life to us. Stay with us as we confront our own weakness and insecurity. Stay with us as we seek to understand your will. Amen.**

### \*Declaration of Pardon

### †\*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.**

#### Baptism

*Nathan Finn Ballow*

Shannon Dill

#### Baptism Response (*everyone sing*)

*Wash, O God Our Sons and Daughters* sung to BEACH SPRING

**Wash, O God, our sons and daughters where your cleansing waters flow.**

**Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago.**

**Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light.**

**Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.** (*Ruth Duck*)

## Proclaim God's Word

### Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

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.

Students and Adults attending the W.O.W.! Service should follow the Crucifer to the Chapel.

### Morning Prayer 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.**

#### Anthem

*Tantum Ergo (Because Christ Only)*

Maurice Duruflé

Chancel Choir

*Tantum ergo Sacramentum veneremur cernui:* Let us, with heads bowed venerate so great a Sacrament, *Et antiquum documentum novo cedat ritui:* And let the old practice yield to the new rite; *Praestet fides supplementum sensuum defectui.* Let faith provide a supplement for the failure of the senses.

*Genitori, Genitoque laus et jubilatio,* To the Begetter and the Begotten be praise and jubilation, *Salus, honor, virtus quoque sit et benedictio:* Hail, honor, virtue also, and blessing too,

*Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio.* And let equal praise be to Him, who proceeds from Both. *Amen.*

#### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 43: 15-21*

Gretchen Keyser

Page 624

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

#### New Testament Reading

*Mark 1: 21-28*

Shannon Dill

Page 867

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

#### Sermon

*"A New Thing"*

Shannon Dill

### \*The Apostles' Creed (*in unison*)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Respond to God's Word

#### Offering & Offertory

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

arr. Raymond Henry

### \*Doxology (*As ushers reach chancel steps, please stand.*)

**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.**

### \*Prayer of Dedication

## Go in God's Name

### \*Closing Hymn #363

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

SOJOURNER

### \*Invitation to Discipleship

### \*Benediction

### \*Postlude

*Voluntary*

Healey Willan

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The flowers are given by Ellen and Bill Womack, to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ellen's mother, Eva Gay Walsh.

*Baptism of Nathan Finn Ballow, Son of Amanda Dunnick and Lindsay Ballow*

Let us also welcome Nathan's big brother, Ian, and his grandmothers, Arlene Ballow and June Dunnick.

## Serving Today

**Acolytes:** Crucifer - Harrison Glicksman; Candle Lighter - Cole Glicksman; Bible Bearer - Andrew Rice; Water Bearer - Laura Eagar; Bell Ringer - Ann-Marie Sills

**Bread for Guests:** John Eagar **Chancel Guild:** Tricia & Brid Igleheart

**Continental Breakfast:** Mary & Ted Guerrant

**Greeters:** Martye Alcini, Edna & Jim Schell

**Liturgists:** Bona Allen, Meredith Loftis

**Nursery Supervisor:** Kari Young

**Nursery Volunteers:** Allison & Keith Parkes

**Open/Close:** Josh Nunez

**Ushers:** Cindy Nunez, Andrea Price, Stanton & Dave Thomas

**\*congregation standing, who are able; † seating of worshippers.**

## Congregational News

**Sunday, March 7, Dr. Jason Whitener & Family will be here!** Come & meet our new Senior Pastor, Dr. Jason Whitener, his wife Kristy and their children, Scott, Brian & Sarah. He will preach at both services & a reception in the Great Hall will follow the 11 a.m. worship service.

**Trivia Night on Friday, March 5th, 6:30 p.m.** DJ Aaron Elya will again provide a fun and challenging evening for us. Don't worry about trivia knowledge, your teammates will help! Back by popular demand - delicious Beaver Creek BBQ will be served, and we'll have lots of good food, fun & fellowship. Pay \$7 at the door, but please sign up in advance in the church lobby or by emailing Meredith Klein at jamsklein@comcast.net. Babysitting provided.

**Family Movie Night, Friday, March 12:** Join your church friends for the movie "Up", at 6 p.m. Bring your own dinner and lots of friends! For more information, contact Amanda Dunnick, amandadunnick@bellsouth.net.

## Outreach

### Summer Mission Trips to Mexico

St. Luke's is planning for our summer mission trips to Mexico for the 19th year to build houses and spread the love of God in Piedras Negras, Mexico. Join us for one of our two weeks - it will be the vacation of a lifetime! The two trips are planned for: **July 4th - 10th and July 11th - 17th.** Both weeks are open for all ages (middle schoolers through senior citizens) 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 contact Mary Martin (770-441-0373 or mary.martin@nsn.com).

### Meals Needed for Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH)

Please contact Al Bridges (770-394-6581) if you can volunteer to furnish a meal on May 20. It will be for the parent classes, approximately 10 adults & 15 children. Reimbursement is budgeted.

### Men's Retreat at Callaway Gardens

**March 26-28** the men of St. Luke's will head to Callaway Gardens for a fun-filled weekend of fellowship and spiritual nurture. Activities available include golf, fishing tours/lessons, clay shooting, and hiking. Our own Jason Whitener will be joining us too! We will eat together there on Friday night and be back by the end of the 11 a.m. service on Sunday morning. Sign up by March 7. Cost is \$20 for dinner Saturday and supplies. Rooms and other meals "pay as you go." All information is on the sign-up poster in the lobby. Further questions to Phil Brown at philbrown@slpres.org.

## Come Volunteer

The Worship Committee thanks Jan Slater and her team for their work in decorating the Sanctuary for Advent. Every year, a group of St. Lukans gives their time to make our Sanctuary beautiful in preparation for the celebration of the Lord's coming. Jan has led this team for the last few years. We all enjoyed the special Christmas decorations, and thank these folks for their work.

In preparation for the coming season of Easter, the Worship Committee is looking for individuals willing to join a Holy Week Task Force to help arrange the worship services during this special time in the life of the church. If you are interested, contact Nael McCarty at namccar@emory.edu.