



11 a.m. ~ July 3, 2011

*St. Luke's Presbyterian Church*

A 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

Hear the words of *The Declaration of Independence*, signed on July 4, 1776. "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." As Christians who are Americans, we gather this day to thank God for the gifts of our freedom and liberty, to honor those whose vision, wisdom and sacrifice secured these 'unalienable rights' for us and every generation, to confess that while we believe that all are created equal, we have not always allowed others to enjoy that freedom or those rights; we ask God's forgiveness and call upon God's unconditional love and boundless mercy to grant that we may be given the strength and courage to live more fully into our faith and beliefs. Amen.

## Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Kelly Fitzgerald

## Prelude

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy (RESTORATION)*

arr. George Shearing

## \*Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed be God, who Creates, Redeems and Sanctifies.

**People: And blessed be the Realm of God, now and forever.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

†\*Processional Hymn #132 *Come, Great God of All the Ages*

ABBOT'S LEIGH

## Celebration of Community

## \*Invitation to Confession

*Kyrie*

John Merbecke  
arr. Healy Willan

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

## \*Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

## \*Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Loving God, when we take a careful and caring look around us, we feel serious concern over what the future holds. We see international tensions and family conflicts; we observe disregard of human dignity and disrespect for basic values; we take note of ecological negligence and economic uncertainty. We see that our culture makes it far easier to be a consumer than a conserver, a predator than a prophet, a blamer than a healer. We wonder where it will all end up. We confess that our disregard of Your will and Your ways has imperiled us. And we acknowledge that when we turn to You with humble trust, restoration and renewal start. By Your grace and with our active commitment, the future can be bright with promise. In the name of Jesus Christ we offer this prayer and anticipate new beginnings. 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.

The Sacrament of Baptism

*Eliza Anne Thatcher, Mary Cassin Thatcher, and Charles David Thatcher*      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.**

(Congregation may be seated.)

Baptism Response Hymn #492

*Baptized in Water*

BUNESSAN

*Following the elder's statement, the congregation shall respond:*

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Eliza, Mary Cassin and Charlie into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support them, to share the good news of the gospel with them, and to help them know and follow Christ.**

## 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.**

†Solo

*How Great Thou Art*

arr. Stuart K. Hine

Ron Valdes, solo

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy hands have made. I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art! When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin: When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

(Parents may return to their seats during the anthem.)

Old Testament Reading

*Psalms 145:8-14*

Ron Valdes

Pages 544-545

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Reading

*Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30*

Kelly Fitzgerald

Pages 844-845

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Kelly Fitzgerald

## We Respond to God's Word

Offering

\*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 *There Is a Happy Land (HAPPY LAND)*

arr. George Shearing

*Jerusalem, My Happy Home (LAND OF REST)*

arr. George Shearing

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

## We Go in God's Name

Recognition of Kelly Fitzgerald and Mike Frandsen

\*Closing Hymn #289

*O God of Every Nation*

LLANGLOFFAN

\*Invitation to Discipleship

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound (NEW BRITAIN)*

arr. George Shearing

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Music Note: The organ pieces today are arrangements of American hymn tunes by the late American jazz pianist George Shearing. The arrangements blend the sacred tunes with modern jazz harmonies to great effect on the pipe organ.

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*Baptism of Eliza Anne Thatcher, Mary Cassin Thatcher, and Charles David Thatcher,  
children of Suzanne and Richard Thatcher*

As we welcome Eliza, Mary Cassin, and David into our church family, the following family members are also here to celebrate this special occasion: Marie & Ricky Thatcher, grandparents; Nancy Danklefsen, aunt & honorary grandmother; Andy, Jennifer, Alyssa, & Ashley Zunic, aunt, uncle, & cousins; Carter & Elizabeth Thatcher, aunt & uncle; Sandra, Michael, Alexander, & Lucas Burnett, Chris & Maria Thatcher, and Willie & Nathaly Thatcher, cousins. At this time, the family would like to lovingly remember Suzanne's parents, Anne & Dave Zunic.

**Send Off Celebration for Kelly Fitzgerald and Mike Frandsen, TODAY!** Kelly Fitzgerald, our St. Luke's seminary intern since February 2008, will be moving this month, as her husband, Mike Frandsen, has accepted a position on the staff of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Clearwater, FL. As a way to celebrate their ministry among us, we will recognize Kelly and Mike at the 11 a.m. service today, followed by a reception in their honor in the Great Hall. Everyone is invited. Kelly, Mike, and Emory have truly been a blessing to our church. May we all surround them with our love and prayers as they take this faithful step in the service of Christ's kingdom.

The flowers are given by Faye and Steve Cashwell to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Faye's parents, Hamby M. and Frances Moore, and Steve's father, Richard B. Cashwell.

## Serving Today

**Chancel Guild:** Carol & Bona Allen

**Communion Servers:** Faye & Steve Cashwell, Louanne & Tim Cutler,  
Dave Elkins - Captain, Jenny Price, Nancy Self

**Continental Breakfast:** Tom McGurk      **Greeters:** Beth Eisenmesser, Gena & Mike Spears

**Nursery Volunteers:** Meg & David Wallace      **Open/Close:** Jim Cox      **Sound Crew:** Jim Bryant

**Ushers:** Lindy Farley, Laura & Jim Strange, John Tienken - Captain, Peggy Tienken

# KNOW

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

**Adult Summer School in Full Swing!** Sunday School doesn't take a vacation, but it does change a little so that you can always feel free to attend a class even if you have been on vacation.

### For the entire summer:

**Seasons of the Spirit, Room 235:** A biblically-based discussion class following revised common Lectionary. God's Word is counsel for navigating the tensions and struggles of community. (Genesis 25:19-34)

**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 "Listening to God's Judges." (Judges 2:11-19)

### For the month of July ~ Summer Sundaes at 6:30 p.m. in Hannaford Garden:

Every evening during the month of July, everyone is invited to join us for "**Summer Sundaes**" for fellowship, singing, reflection, and ice cream! It's a summer treat for the entire church family, so parents, bring the kids, or kids, bring your parents! You may want to bring your folding lawn chairs to add to your comfort.

### For July and August:

**Study of the Ten Commandments, Room 232:** This class will get back to the basics and explore what the Ten Commandments mean to us today. Next Sunday the lesson will be "The Lord Alone is God," taught by Steve Cashwell.

### For August:

**FINCH (Families in Christ), Room 203:** This class will continue the study of Adam Hamilton's "*Christianity's Family Tree: What Other Christians Believe and Why.*" No morning class in July; but plan to attend the Summer Sundaes.

Understanding that folks travel and are in and out more than usual in the summer, ALL of the summer classes are designed for you to be able to "come when you can" and not worry that you will be out of the loop.

## **Disciple Bible Study**

**Disciple Bible Study—Disciple III and Disciple IV:** New Disciple Bible Study classes are forming for the fall! You have heard about Disciple I & II, now here are descriptions of Disciple III and IV!

**DISCIPLE III** first studies the prophets of the Old Testament. These prophets helped lead the nation of Israel when they turned from God. They also help us today as we stray from God. The second 16 weeks studies the letters of Paul. Paul's mission was to bring the Good News to the whole world, not only to the Jews. We study Paul's letters to help us grow in our faith.

**DISCIPLE IV** studies the writings of the Old Testament: Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and more. The study then turns to the book of John, the most personal of all the Gospels. It concludes with a study of Revelation, a book you must read with others to understand.

Contact Shannon Dill (770-393-1424, ext. 229) or Bill Barbin (404-964-3004) with questions.

## Youth Connection (SLYC)

### **Sunday:**

Sunday School: Youth Sunday School will not meet during July. The youth are invited to join the “**Summer Sundaes**” on Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Hannaford Garden for fellowship, reflection, singing and ice cream!

Youth Choir and Youth Connect will resume in the fall.

Throughout the summer, many of our young people are part of mission and conference teams going to locations as far away as Honduras and as close as Montreat Conference Center. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for their journeys, as they meet new people, worship with other Christians, and as they return with new friendships and experiences.

Electronic calendar and more info at [www.slpres.org/youth.asp](http://www.slpres.org/youth.asp)

## Children's Ministries

**Children's Summer Sunday School:** Children's Sunday School will not meet during the month of July. Remember, every Sunday evening during July, they are invited, with their families, to join us for “**Summer Sundaes**” at 6:30 p.m. in Hannaford Garden for fellowship, singing, reflection, and ice cream! It's a summer treat for the entire church family, so parents, bring the kids, or kids, bring your parents! You may want to bring your folding lawn chairs to add to your comfort.

**Summer Smiles Needed!** We still need adult volunteers for both the Bible Olympics (elementary) and Play-n-Praise (preschool) for August, so please sign up for the Sunday of your choice in the main lobby. Many hands will make light work for all!

## Men's Bible Study

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

## SHARE

**Last Sunday, St. Luke's Church welcomed 33 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.

**Donate to St. Luke's Boy Scout Troop 764 Food Drive for Community Action Center:** This year St. Luke's Boy Scouts will again be collecting non-perishable food along the Dunwoody 4th of July Parade route. This year's donations are for the CAC's Summer Lunch Box program to feed local children in need. The food drive list is available online at [www.ourcac.org](http://www.ourcac.org) and includes foods such as juice boxes, snack bars, box macaroni and cheese, and SpaghettiOs. The CAC helps neighbors in the Sandy Springs and Dunwoody communities.

**Dunwoody 4th of July Parade Tomorrow:** Again this year, we have two Scottish pipers to lead our walkers. To walk the full route, meet in the old Harris Teeter/Ace Hardware parking lot at Mount Vernon and Jett Ferry at 8:30 a.m. You can also join in at the church and walk for just about a mile. Contact Tom McKinney at [mckinneyt@bellsouth.net](mailto:mckinneyt@bellsouth.net) or 770-396-3598 so he can fill you in. We will be promoting our Tartan Trot Run and Scottish Heritage Sunday to be held in January 2012. If you would rather join our water brigade; contact Beth Underhill at [bunderhill.mail@gmail.com](mailto:bunderhill.mail@gmail.com) or 678-491-1765. Thanks to Marty Whitcomb, “Star and Stripes” tee-shirts are available. A \$5 donation is appreciated. Pick yours up today in the Session Room, #109. Remember that Mt. Vernon will be closed to traffic by 9 a.m. Also, the Dunwoody parade organizers ask that we encourage parking in the Manhasset Dr. as there will be music and swim team kids on the Mt. Vernon side.

**Summer Music:** There are many talented musicians in our St. Luke's family, and it's time once again for us to share those talents in worship. This is a wonderful opportunity to offer your musical gifts, and the variety of music is always much appreciated by the congregation. If you would like to provide special music, either a solo or small ensemble, for any of our worship services during the months of July and August, please contact Clair Maxwell in the church office.

**Faith and Film, Friday, July 15:** July's film is "Saved!" Dinner at 7 p.m., and the movie starts at 7:30 p.m., Room 207. RSVP to Josh & Cindy Nunez at nunez.cd@gmail.com and contact them to help with food.

**Give the Gift of Life on Sunday, July 24:** We will hold another blood drive on Sunday, July 24, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Great Hall. Please be sure to drink plenty of fluids and bring your ID with you. Questions? Contact Patsy Bradley at 770-394-5383.

**Men's Golf:** The St. Luke's Men's Golf Fellowship is golfing the first Saturday of the month. Golfers need to sign up for announcements by sending their email address and cell phone number to Dave Elkins at d.elkins@att.net or call 770-458-6415.

**Jobs & Java - St. Luke's Job Seekers Support Group:** Next meeting, **Tuesday, July 5**, 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)

**Diane Markel**, Corporate Risk Manager, 330-835-8911 (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

**Flower Ministry:** To give flowers in memory or in honor of someone or for a special event, sign up now! Cost is \$80. The calendar is located on the main lobby bulletin board. Please sign up or call Faye Cashwell at 770-409-1960.

**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.

**St. Luke's Men's Breakfast:** This popular Saturday morning event will resume on August 13 with Tony Barnhart's football preview. If you have any questions, you may contact Daryl Moore (ddmoore@yahoo.com).

**O.W.L.S. (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors):** We are taking a couple of months off for the summer and are looking forward to resuming on Tuesday, September 27th.

**Cool Off and Relax with a Good Book and a Glass of Tea:** Visit our library and see what you've been missing!

## SERVE

**Looking to serve your church?** There is a need for members willing to serve in a friendly and welcoming way as ushers. Duties include greeting members and visitors while passing out bulletins, taking up the offering, directing congregants during communion, and tidying up after the service. If you are interested, please contact John Tienken at 770-394-1104 or email to [tienkenj@bellsouth.net](mailto:tienkenj@bellsouth.net).

**Get together with some friends for a continental breakfast here at St. Luke's every Sunday morning.** If you and your friends could furnish one of these breakfasts, please contact Jay Burton ([jayburton@ballp.com](mailto:jayburton@ballp.com)) or Tom McGurk ([tdmcgurk@yahoo.com](mailto:tdmcgurk@yahoo.com)).

**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.

**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! Please consider adding protein to your donation - some examples are canned meats and peanut butter. Please help fill the pantry for neighbors seeking assistance. This month we are collecting for the Community Action Center.

**Stephen Ministry:** Last Sunday Amy Stewart was commissioned as a Stephen Leader. She was trained as a Minister in 2008 and in May attended the leadership training program in St. Louis. We thank her for her faithful service and look forward to her energy and expertise as she serves on the Leadership team. We thank the congregation for their generous support of this training opportunity.

# St. Luke's Presbyterian Church

## We're pleased to offer one more camp opportunity!

**ACT UP! Theatre Arts** camp featuring the highly acclaimed Missoula Children's Theatre, July 25-30. ACT UP! (Arts, Creativity, Theatre Uniting People) offers a fun week for rising 1st - 12th grade students to explore the creative arts, including being a part of the musical production, **The Jungle Book**. Cost is \$175 (\$10 per child family discount); financial aid is available.

For details and registration information, check out our website at [www.slpres.org](http://www.slpres.org) or call 770-393-1424.

### Elders

**Class of 2012:** Bona Allen (Clerk of Session), John Bradley, Ted Guerrant, Ben King (Youth Elder), Tom McIntosh, Julie Pile, Laura Strange, Beth Underhill

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

**Class of 2014:** Tricia Bridges, Jim Bryant, Faye Cashwell, Annie Hardy, Sally Joyce, Dick Miller, John Ray

### Deacons

**Class of 2012:** Jean Cronan, Beth Eisenmesser (Moderator), 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.

**Class of 2014:** Diane Beidl, Jay Burton, Jim Giesler, Beth Collins Himes, Joyce Johnson, Jean Kammerer, Paula Morris, Luis Sepulveda, Kris Turnbull



## 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 Beth Eisenmesser, Elder Mark Rogers** and our Pastors in the Narthex. They will be available to answer questions and provide you with a packet of information and a loaf of bread lovingly made by St. Luke's member, Cindy Nunez.
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](mailto:jasonwhitener@slpres.org).

**♿ 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 11:00 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.

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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. - 50; 11 a.m. - 261  
Last Sunday's Tithes & Offerings: \$16,627 Financial reports available online.