

Bible Study & Christian Education

Children's Ministries

Leaders still needed for Kids' Sunday School in August!

Both our preschool class (Sticks and Stones) and our elementary class (Bible Olympics) still need volunteers for several August Sundays. Sign up now for the week (or weeks) of your choice in the main lobby or e-mail cathomas@slpres.org. Do it now before you go on vacation and forget! Many thanks to our June teachers. In July, we'll see you at Summer Sundaes on the 11, 18, and 25 at 6:30 pm.

FEAST is gearing up for Fall!

Wednesday is our favorite night of the week for much of the year because of FEAST (Faith Explorations at St. Luke's)! Children's Ministries is making plans now for another fantastic year of fun and learning— and we'd love to have your help. Please let us know if you are interested in helping to direct this program (we need one more) or if you can serve on Wednesday nights from September 22 through November 17 as an age group leader, a subject teacher, a table parent, or a set-up/clean-up helper. Please contact cathomas@slpres.org for more information or to tell us you're in! FEAST student registration will begin in late July.

Youth Connection (SLYC)

Sundays:

9:30 a.m. in the Youth rooms 207 & 208 for Sunday School. NO Sunday School today. Please be in prayer for the youth and leaders presently on Mission trips to Mexico.

Summer Adult Sunday School ~ Next Sunday's Info:

The Present Word, Room 145, Parlor: This summer's study focuses on Christian commitment - exploring the nature, foundation, and marks of commitment as they apply to Christians in today's world. Next week we'll be studying being "Glory to Christ" (2 Thessalonians 1:3-12).

Seasons of the Spirit, Room 235: This class focuses on the Lectionary scripture passages each week that are often preached on in the worship services. It provides an exciting way to explore a wide range of biblical stories. A great "drop-in" class for the summer, since each week stands alone. Next Sunday is "Love and compassion are the essence of living faithfully in God's reign" (Luke 10:25-37) taught by Wayne Radloff.

The Thoughtful Christian - "What They Saw" & "Rediscovering Paul", Room 232: Back by popular demand, this class will focus on some of the most well-known Bible stories through the eyes of "minor" characters. Then we will take a fresh look at the Apostle Paul and his influence on Christianity. Also a great "drop-in" summer class since each week stands alone. Next week will be "Martha", taught by Jan Billions. They will not be meeting today.

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. They are presently in II Peter. For more info or to sign up, contact Dave Elkins at d.elkins@att.net.

Cursillo Dates

There is only one Cursillo weekend left with openings in 2010 - August 19-22. It is on a first come, first served basis, and we are limited to 6 people from the church per weekend. It will change your life! For questions or for more information, please contact Dave or Debi Elkins at 770-458-6415 or go to www.georgiapresbyteriancursillo.com for information and to download your application.

Stephen Ministry

Please take a moment to check out our new spot on the St. Luke's lobby bulletin board. It is located on the left as you enter the Great Hall. We promise it will be updated on a regular basis with informative and helpful information. We hope you will also look at our page on St. Luke's website (www.slpres.org). We recently added a very interesting video about Stephen Ministry that aired on PBS. The founder of this Ministry, Kenneth Haugk, is also interviewed. We believe it may clarify questions you have about how this caregiving works! Encourage others to also be proactive about using the wonderful resources we have to help you stay informed about the life and work of our church!

Important Message from your Finance Committee

Through May, our revenue was below budget by \$21,361. Please make sure to keep your pledges current through the summer months. Thank you.

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 Wayne Radloff, Elder Bona Allen,** and one of our **Ministers** in the Narthex. They will answer questions and provide a Guest Packet.
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/ jasonwhitener@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

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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

Senior Pastor, Dr. Jason Whitener

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.

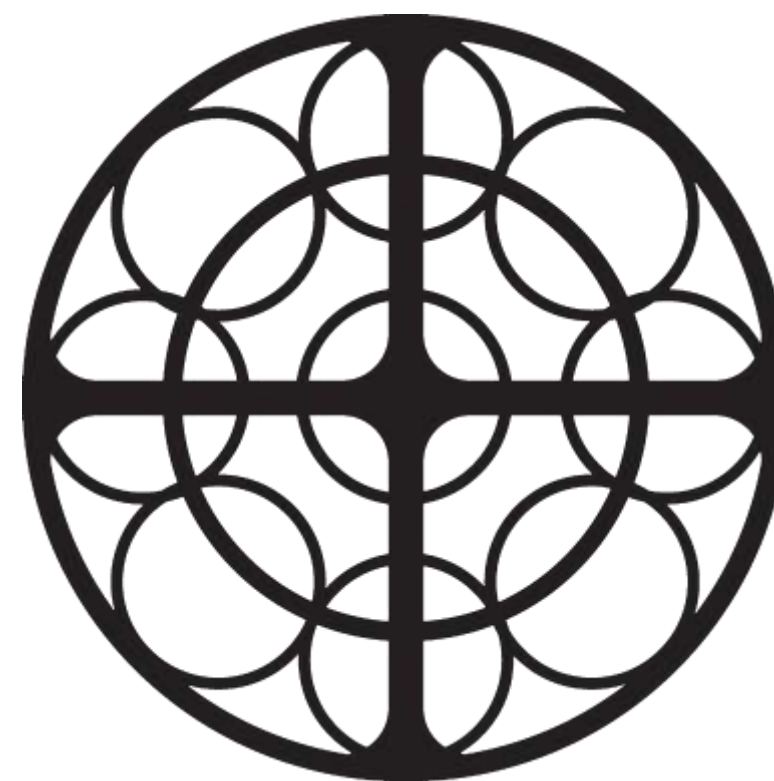
Elders

Steve Cashwell, Clerk of Session **Class of 2011:** Ken Barton, Jan Billions, Steve Cashwell, Doug Chipman, Steve Klein, Kay Loerch, Clairce 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

Susan Crawford, Moderator **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, 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 Holley Wolfe.

Last Sunday's Attendance: 8:30 a.m. - 46; 11 a.m. - 283
Last Sunday's Tithes & Offerings: \$16,595 Financial reports for Mary are available online.



11 a.m. ~ July 4, 2010
Ordinary Time of Spiritual Growth

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.

Assemble in God's Name

In Preparation for Worship

God of the dawn, we arise to the hope of Your redeeming grace. God of the dusk, we rest secure in the assurance that You neither slumber nor sleep. God of the noontime sun, we dwell in the midst of Your unfailing mercy. You are above us, beneath us, and throughout all creation. Through the abundance of Your encompassing love we worship and praise your glorious name. Amen.

Gathering Prayer of Adoration

Jason Whitener

Prelude

My Country, 'Tis of Thee/Eternal Father, Strong to Save

arr. Carol Tornquist

*Call to Worship

Psalm 146

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you His faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.

People: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!

Leader: You have turned mourning into dancing, and clothed us with joy,

People: So that my soul may praise You and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to You forever.

Leader: Let us worship God!

†*Processional Hymn #561

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

AMERICA

Celebration of Community

*Invitation to Confession & Call to Prayer

Betsy Turner

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

*Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

God of creation, You make all things new; look with mercy upon us as we confess our sin. The seeds of destruction find fertile soil in us; we nurture them to fruition. We pluck the yield and find it delightful; we rejoice in the evil harvest we have sown. Save us from our love of sinning, O God. Teach us to sow to Your Holy Spirit, and reap eternal life. 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.

After the Gloria Patri: Parents of children through age 4 may take them to the nursery.

Proclaim God's Word

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.

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 30

Kim Fadel

Page 479

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Galatians 5:1,13-25

Jason Whitener

Page 1015

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Independence Day"

Jason Whitener

*The 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.

Respond to God's Word

Offering & Offertory

God Bless the U.S.A.

Lee Greenwood

Ron Valdes, solo

*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

Gift of Finest Wheat

arr. Jeffrey Honoré

O Blessed Spring

arr. Robert Buckley Farlee

Go in God's Name

*Closing Hymn # 438

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Benediction

*Postlude

Battle Hymn of the Republic

arr. Matt Hyzer

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

Serving Today

Chancel Guild: Nancy Self

Communion Servers: Dave Elkins, Captain; Kay Loerch; Jenny Price;

Sally & Dwight Shelton; Laura & Jim Strange

Continental Breakfast: Sally Shelton **Bread for Guests:** Mary Kent

Greeters: Jim & Betsy Giesler, Jan Slater

Ushers: John Tienken, Captain; John & Cathy Ray; Peggy Tienken

Open/Close: Jim Cox

Phil Brown and Shannon Dill are out of the office this week

As part of the Mexico Mission Team

Congregational News

Last Sunday, St. Luke's Church welcomed 43 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.

New Church Directories - Shirley is beginning to print new church directories. They will be made available each week in the narthex. Please limit one copy per family. If you would like the .pdf version, please let Shirley know at shirleycarrier@slpres.org/770-393-1424 ext 225, and she will email it to you.

Tomorrow is the Dunwoody Fourth of July Parade: Participants are asked to meet at the Jett Ferry/Mt. Vernon parking lot where the old Ace Hardware/Harris Teeter was at 8:30 a.m. dressed and ready to go. If you have any last minute questions, contact Tom McKinney at 770-396-3598 or mckinneyt@bellsouth.net. If you can assist with the water brigade, contact Beth Underhill at 678-320-9070 or bunderhill01@hotmail.com to let her know you can help. Everyone else, come and enjoy the parade. Bring your chairs and cheer!

Jobs & Java - **St. Luke's Job Seekers Support Group:** The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 6, noon at the Starbucks in Dunwoody Village for networking and support. For more information, please 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.**

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

Jim Garrison, Advertising and Marketing, jimgarrison@mindspring.com/404-408-4440

Earl Owens, Financial Analyst, Management Accounting & Activity Based Management & 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

Summer Sundaes ~ July 11, 18 & 25, 6:30 p.m. in Hannaford Garden

Join us for ice cream, fellowship, and an "extra topping" of Scripture, singing, reflection, and prayer. It's a summer treat for the entire church family, so parents, bring the kids, or kids, bring your parents!

Mission Trip to Piedras Negras, Mexico

St. Luke's will return to Piedras Negras, Mexico for the 19th year. Two groups will build three three-room houses for local families. Working alongside Constructores Para Cristo (CPC) staff (including St. Luke's own John Martin and Alex Whitcomb), the mission teams will have the opportunity to not only build houses, but also to experience a different culture and grow and share their faith. Please keep the following missionaries to Mexico in your prayers:

Sunday, July 4 to Saturday, July 10

Forrest Bell, April Blad, Nancy Boyken, Phil Brown, Callie Dill, Don Dill, Shannon Dill, William Fadel, Jeanne Frick, Benjamin King, David King, Steven King, Greg McIntosh, Tom McIntosh, Tristan McIntosh, David McKenney, Jack McKenney, Janine McKenney, Ellie Moorhead, Daniel Pile, Clarice Reid, Mary Reid, Andrew Wemyss, Linda Wemyss, Megan Wemyss

Sunday, July 11 to Saturday, July 17

Nancy Boyken, Christine Buschman, Clay DeFriece, David Fadel, Jackie Fadel, Paula Heilig, Annie Jester, Elizabeth Jester, Laura Jester, Sonny Jester, Gretchen Keyser, Betsy King, Aaron Klein, Emma Klein, Becky Loftis, Meredith Loftis, Billy Martin, Carrie Mason, Ron Mason, Tom McIntosh, Sandy McKinney, Tom McKinney, Andrea Price, Roby Price, Scott Schroer, Lizzy Stowell, Catherine Anne Thomas, Ross Thomas, Christina Vidana, Gray Waldrop, Marty Whitcomb, Jason Whitener, Chet Zalesky, Chris Zalesky.