THE RIGHT QUESTIONS

In his book, *Listening to Your Life*, Frederick Buechner speaks of the important questions the scriptures raise in our lives.

“We are much involved, all of us, with questions about things that matter a great deal today but will be forgotten by this time tomorrow—the immediate wheres and whens and hows that face us daily at home and at work—but at the same time we tend to lose track of the questions about things that matter always, life and death questions about meaning, purpose and value. To lose track of such deep questions as these is to risk losing track of who we really are in our own depths and where we are really going. There is perhaps no stronger reason for reading the Bible than that somewhere among all those pages there awaits each reader, whoever he is, the one question which, though for years he may have been pretending not to hear it, is the central question in his own life. Here are a few of them.”

- What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul? (Matthew 16:26)
- Am I my brother’s keeper? (Genesis 4:9)
- If God is for us, who can be against us? (Romans 8:31)
- What is truth? (John 18:38)
- How can a man be born when he is old? (John 3:4)
- What does a man gain by all the toil at which he toils under the sun? (Ecclesiastes 1:3)
- Whither shall I go from thy spirit? (Psalm 139:7)
- Who is thy neighbor? (Luke 10:29)
- (I am sure you can think of other questions.)

In these days let us encourage one another to struggle with the questions that really and eternally matter. In struggling with important questions of life and faith, we may just hear what the Spirit is saying to our lives and to the life of St. Luke concerning whose we are and where we are really going.

Listening with you.

Robert
ORDER OF WORSHIP

The 11:00 a.m. service is streamed at www.stlukeum.com and broadcast at WLTC 103.7 Lite FM
Rebroadcast on WTVM Channel 9 at 10:00 a.m.

August 19, 2018 13th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  Color: Green

Prelude................. “Variations on a Theme of Clement Jannequin” ............by Jehan Alain
Welcome and Opening Prayer.................................................................Rev. Robert Beckum
Choral Call to Worship (11:00 a.m.)........ “O Worship the King” ...............Johann Haydn
*Hymn............................ “I’ll Praise My Maker While I’ve Breath” ........................Number 60
***The Affirmation of Faith..................................................................Number 881
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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried, the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic*** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri (Glory Be to the Father).............................................................Number 70
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 (8:30 a.m.) ..................... “Take My Life and Let It Be” .............................Mark Hayes
Marc Boensel and Ken Bailey

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer.................................................................Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard
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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Choral Prayer Response (11:00 a.m.)…… Threefold Amen”.................................Rev. Beckum

The Children’s Sermon.................................................................Rev. Garrard
After the Children’s Sermon, children who are in Kindergarten-5th grade are invited to go to Corner Kids for a time of extended worship. Parents pick them up in Stockwell Hall when this service is completed.

*Hymn............................................. “Be Thou My Vision” ..................................Number 451

Offertory Prayer.........................................................................................Rev. Beckum
**Offertory.................................. “Adagio from Symphony V” ..................Charles Marie Widor

*The Dedication of Offerings..............................................................Number 95
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.

The Written Word..........................................................Psalm 84 (p.513, OT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word............. WHAT MAKES YOUR HEART SING? ..........Rev. Beckum

*Hymn............................................. “Victory in Jesus” .............................Number 370

*The Benediction.......................................................................................Rev. Beckum

Choral Benediction Response (11:00 a.m.)........ “Sevenfold Amen” ...............John Rutter

Postlude............................... “Improvisation on Old 113th” .................arr. Kenneth Bailey

*Standing as able.  **See Music Box  ***quick means “living”; catholic means “universal”
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, August 19
8:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)
9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (MIN)
9:30 a.m. Meet and Greet (Parlor, Main)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/Youth Sunday School Assembly (The Corner, MIN)
10:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School (The Corner, MIN)/College Small Group (College House)
Pre-recorded broadcast of worship service on WTVM Channel 9.
11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)/Broadcast over WLTC 103.7 Lite FM
and at www.stlukeum.com beginning at 11:00 a.m.
12:20 p.m. Worship in Spanish (Chapel, Main)
1-4:00 p.m. Hispanic Sunday School Classes and Fellowship (Stockwell Hall, Main)
5-7:00 p.m. Crosswalk and High School Corner (Stockwell Hall)
7:00 p.m. Fort Benning Band Clarinet Recital (Sanctuary)
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9.

Monday, August 20
3:30 p.m. St. Luke School Praise Band Auditions (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, August 21
7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (SD, MIN)
9:30 a.m. Women in The Word Bible Study (Meeting Room, MIN)
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:00 a.m. Scholastic Book Fair Training (LD, MIN)
12:30 p.m. Isaiah Bible Study in Spanish (Room 110, Main)
3:15 p.m. St. Luke School Volleyball Tri-Match (Gym)

Wednesday, August 22
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:30 a.m. Kiwanis Luncheon (SD, MIN)
12 Noon Finance Committee Meeting (Meeting Room, MIN)
5:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Rm.)
5:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER (LD, MIN)
6:00 p.m. Idol Lies Bible Study (SD, MIN)
7:00 p.m. Administrative Board Meeting (LD, MIN)
Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Bible Study in Spanish (Room 110, Main)
8:00 p.m. College House (1030 Second Ave.)
8:20 p.m. Hispanic Praise Team Rehearsal (Chapel)

Thursday, August 23
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:30 a.m. Thursday Women’s Bible Study (Chapel, Main)
12 Noon St. Luke School Board Meeting (SD, MIN)

Friday, August 24
Saturday, August 25

Main (main building, where Sanctuary is)/MIN (Ministry Center). Contact the Ministry Center for information about renting or reserving rooms.

WELCOME VISITORS: We are glad to have you with us today! If you have any questions or need assistance with anything, please ask a church greeter or any member of the church staff. For more information about St. Luke, contact Cindy Cox Garrard or any of the pastors at 706-327-4343 or cindy@stlukeum.com. Thank you for blessing us with your presence.

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - August 22
Program: Youth Mission Trip

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. The serving line is open until 6:30 p.m. Please make or cancel reservations by using the form below, by e-mailing jwidener@stlukeum.com, or by calling 706-256-1017 before Monday noon.

Menu: Fried Chicken, Pork Loin, Mixed Vegetables, Rice, Salad, Rolls, and Assorted Desserts.

Name: ________________________________
Adults ($7.00) _______ Children ($3.00) _________
Daytime Phone: _____________________ Email: ____________________________
WORSHIP IN SPANISH: 12:20 p.m. worship in Turner Chapel, The Rev. Dr. Ivelisse Quiñones, preaching "Andad como hijos de luz", Efesios 5: 15-20.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (THE NINE): 9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, Rev. Robert Beckum, preaching.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God by the Discovery Class.

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES September 2, October 14 & 28th. To place flowers on the altar in memory or honor of someone, contact Maggie Roberson at 706-327-4343 or maggie@stlukeum.com.


NOW is an excellent time for you to consider your place in the Music Ministry, whether you sing, play an instrument, or have others in your family whom you can invite. Here are the Music Ministry opportunities for Fall:

Chancel Choir: Rehearses weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7pm, and sings in worship each Sunday. Open to Adults and High School age students.

Hand Bell Choir: Rehearses weekly on Wednesday afternoons at 5pm, and plays in worship monthly. Open to anyone with basic music reading skills.

Children’s Choirs: Rehearse weekly on Wednesday afternoons at 3pm, and sing in worship monthly. For Kindergarten through 5th grade children.

St. Luke ‘Orchestra’: A concert band made up of members of the church as well as community members. Rehearse and performs throughout the season.

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PASTOR ON CALL - 706-327-4343

HOW DO I JOIN THE CHURCH?
You may become a part of the St. Luke family of God in one of the following ways:

1. If you have never joined a church before, you may become a member by profession of faith in Jesus Christ and by being baptized. If you have already been baptized (as a child or as an adult) in a Christian Church, your baptism is recognized by St. Luke United Methodist Church. You will be asked to uphold St. Luke church with your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.
2. If you are a member of another United Methodist Church or another Christian denomination, indicate to one of the pastors that this is your desire. St. Luke will then transfer your membership.
3. If you have any questions about faith in Christ, about United Methodism in general or St. Luke in particular, please ask one of the pastors!
CHILDREN’S MINISTRY
Hope Sims, Director of Children’s Ministries, hsims@stlukeum.com - www.cornerkidz.com

CORNER KIDZ (9:00 a.m.) welcomes K-5th graders. Children will be escorted upstairs to the Corner Kidz Room next to the Gymnasium. Parents need to pick up children from upstairs immediately after the service.

CORNER KIDZ (11:00 a.m.) welcomes K-5th graders. Children will be escorted to Stockwell Hall. Please pick up your child in Stockwell Hall after the service.

Sunday School is held in the main church building. Parent(s) need to drop off their child at the appropriate Sunday School at 10:00 am, and pick up their child promptly by 10:50 am. There will be greeters to help you find your child’s Sunday School classroom.

EXTREME KIDZ will start with a KICK OFF event at LAUNCH on September 9th. It will be 3pm-5pm. More information is to come.

-Respite Care-
“Caring for loved ones and caregivers.”
Diane Hett, Director of Respite Ministry, 706-256-3117 or dhett@stlukeum.com

“Walk to End Alzheimer’s”
Please join the St Luke Strollers for this year’s walk, Friday, Sept. 21, 5:30 p.m.
Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the Uptown Concert following the walk.
Please register for the St Luke Strollers team at www.georgiawalk.org, click on Columbus - or phone Diane Hett, 706-256-3117 for more information.

11 DAY EASTERN EUROPE & OBERAMMERGAU
Passion Play 2020
June 12 – 22
Material is now available- if you haven’t received yours, please contact Kym, 706-327-4343 or kym@stlukeum.com

PRAYER CALENDARS
The prayer calendar for August is available in the pew rack or chair back in worship as well as in literature racks around campus. This month’s prayer calendar focuses on the book of Proverbs and is titled “Seeking Wisdom.”

Join St. Luke Free Spirits for a Musical Luncheon
with Dr. Marc Boensel
Director of Music Ministries at St. Luke UMC
Tuesday, August 28, 2018
11:30 a.m.
Cost: $10
St. Luke Ministry Center
For reservations contact Kym at 706-327-4343 or email kym@stlukeum.com

Family Camp 2018
St. Luke Family Camp 2018
October 5-7, 2018
Join us for this fantastic family adventure!
Register at www.stlukeum.com
If you wish to honor or remember someone, please attach to your check the name of that person and the address to which you wish the acknowledgement sent and mail or bring to the Church Office. Contact maggie@stlukeum.com.

**Memorial Maintenance Fund:** In memory of Mrs. Marie Moshell by Page, Scramont, Sprouse, Tucker & Ford, P.C., Mr. T. P. Swift, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Tomlinson, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pate, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Massey, Ms. Barbara Rothschild, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Howard, Ms. Joa Swift Redmond, Ms. Ann G. Conger, Brian, Robin, Rachel and Riley Grier, Mr. and Mrs. Carter D. Pope, Ms. Elizabeth Taylor, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Lawhorne, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ogie, Mr. and Mrs. Mote Andrews, Mr. Kevin Harcourt, Mr. Curtis Beall, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Frickel, and Dr. and Mrs. Hollis Daniel Sigman. In memory of Mrs. Chris Aycock by Alleta E. Gent and Mike Smith. In memory of Mr. Wayne Houston by Dr. and Mrs. John Querna. In memory of Mr. Wayne Houston and Mrs. Marie Moshell by Mrs. Barbara Gilliam Haneman. In memory of Mr. William Jackson Roberts by Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Culbreth.

**Respite Care:** In memory of Mrs. Chris Aycock by Forever Friends of Lee Ann Aycock Brent. In memory of Mrs. Betty Jo Knight by Rev. and Mrs. Fred Foster.

**General Fund:** In memory of Mrs. Marie Moshell by Mr. Richard H. Bickerstaff, Jr.

**Samaritan Fund:** In memory of Rev. Gaston Pollock by Ms. Nancy Pedersen. In memory of Mrs. Marie Moshell by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cartledge.

**Music Fund:** In memory of Mr. Wayne Houston by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ellis.

**HANDICAPPED PARKING**
The Ministry Center parking lot and the parking lot between St. Luke and First Baptist are reserved on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings for those with handicapped stickers and for senior adults. Please help us reserve these spots for these friends!

**PHONE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
If you have 3-4 hours a month to volunteer and would like to be more involved at St. Luke, consider being a phone volunteer. Kym Harden (kym@stlukeum.com) will train you!

**PRAYER ROOM MINISTRY**
Do you have two hours a month to devote to praying for the needs of St. Luke, its members and community concerns? The Prayer Room ministry has a spot for you. Call the church office, 706-327-4343 for info.

**COLLEGE HOUSE MINISTRIES**
College and Young Adult ministry (Ages 18-26) For more information, email Lisa Williams @ lwilliams@stlukeum.com, or check us out online at www.collegehouseministries.com.

Follow us online! Instagram: CollegeHouse_ Twitter: CollegeHouse_ Facebook.com/collegehouseministries

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Early Learning Center, 706-322-2703
Ministry Center, 706-256-1017
Respite Care Ministry, 706-256-3117

Jonathan and Lisa Moore, Directors of Student Ministries, jmoore@stlukeum.com

Check out our brand new website: www.thecornerstudents.com.

*Crosswalk Fall Kick-off Pool Party - AUGUST 26TH, 5-7 P.M.*
Harris’ Pool in Green Island - DM Brad or @Crosswalk_ministries or email bwilliams@stlukeum.com for directions
Zaxby’s, Give-Aways, Pool Games, A ton of Fun
All 6th through 8th Graders Invited!

**THE CORNER AND CROSSWALK ARE OFF ON LABOR DAY WEEKEND, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND**

**High School Sunday Night Series is Upside Down! Every Sunday from 5-7 P.M.**

**DATES TO REMEMBER:** NOVEMBER 16-18 DNOW DECEMBER 29-31 FIRST ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL WINTER RETREAT AND FIRST ANNUAL CROSSWALK WINTER RETREAT!!!