WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

In languages around the world, the message of Christ’s table is the same.

**CHINESE**

神爱世人，甚至将他的独生子赐给他们，叫一切信他的不至灭亡，反得永生。

**GERMAN**

Denn also hat Gott die Welt geliebt, daß er seinen eingebornen Sohn gab, auf daß alle, die an ihn glauben, nicht verloren werden, sondern das ewige Leben haben.

**ARABIC**

أنَّ هُوَ خَلَقَ الْجَهَّالَةَ مِنْ نَارٍ أَوْ مَاءَ أوْ مِنْ شَأْنِهِمُّ وَأَمْثَالُ مَثَالٍ لِّلَّذِينَ يُبْدِئُونَ فِيهَا مَكَامَةً

**SPANISH**

Porque de tal manera amó Dios al mundo, que ha dado á su Hijó unigenito, para que todo aquel que en él cree, no se pierda, mas tenga vida eterna.

**RUSSIAN**

Ибо так возлюбил Бог мир, что отдал Сына Своего единородного, дабы неисповедный, верующий в Него, не погиб, но имел жизнь вечную.

**ENGLISH**

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
October 7, 2018  World Communion Sunday
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  Color: White

Prelude.......................................................... “Ricercare I” .................................Johann Froberger
Welcome and Opening Prayer..........................................................Rev. Robert Beckum
*Hymn.......................................................... “I Come with Joy” .................................Number 617
***The Affirmation of Faith............... “The Apostles’ Creed” .................................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

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00 a.m.).................................................................Margo Sutherland Johnson
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian (Skye) Johnson
*As Christ’s body, the church, we reaffirm both our rejection of sin and our commitment to Christ. With God’s help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Margo Sutherland with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust in God and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer (p.895)..............................................................Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard
Choral Prayer Response....................... “Dresden Amen” .................................Johann Naumann
Children’s Sermon.............................................................................................Rev. Garrard
After the 11:00 a.m. 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 .................................................. “One Bread, One Body” .................................Number 620

The Written Word........................................1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (p. 163, NT in pew Bible)

The Invitation and Confession
Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another:
Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

The Peace
Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love. The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you. (All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving..............................................................Page 23; Hymnal

The Sharing of Bread and Cup
*Hymn.......................................................... “How Firm a Foundation” .................................Number 529

The Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

*The Benediction..............................................................................................Rev. Beckum
Choral Benediction Response............... “Sevenfold Amen” .................................Peter Lutkin
Postlude.................................................. “Improvisation on Ode to Joy” .................................Ken Bailey

*Standing as able.  **Music Box  ***quick means “living”; catholic means “universal”

Acolytes (11:00 a.m.): Trinity McAfee and Chase Townsend.
OCCUPATIONS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, October 7
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)
9:00 a.m. 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
12:20 p.m. Worship in Spanish (Chapel, Main)
11:00 a.m. Hispanic Sunday School Classes and Fellowship (Stockwell Hall, Main)
5:00 p.m. Crosswalk (Stockwell Hall)/High School (The Corner, MIN)
St. Luke Academy (LD, MIN)
Extreme Kids (Off Campus- MercyMed)
6:00 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal (Room 110, Main)
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9.

Monday, October 8
6:30 p.m. Monday Night Women’s Bible Study (Meeting Room, MIN)

Tuesday, October 9
7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (SD, MIN)
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
UMW Circle 2 Meeting (Main)
UMW Circle 3 Meeting (Chapel, Main)
10:30 a.m. UMW Circle 9 Meeting (Room 110, Main)

Wednesday, October 10
7:00 a.m. All Pro Dads (LD, MIN)
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:30 a.m. Kiwanis Luncheon (SD, MIN)
UNCF Luncheon (LD, MIN)
3:00 p.m. Children’s Choir (Ministry Center)
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. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
8:00 p.m. College House (1030 Second Ave.)

Thursday, October 11
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:30 a.m. Thursday Women’s Bible Study (Chapel, Main)
Exchange Club (LD, MIN)

Friday, October 12
11:45 a.m. Muscogee Retired Educators’ Luncheon (LD, MIN)

Saturday, October 13
5:00 p.m. Brooks/Thomas Wedding and Reception (LD, MIN)

St. Luke is participating with four neighboring congregations to host the second annual Uptown Congregations “On The Table” on Tuesday, October 23. We hope you’ll be a part of these healing and inspiring conversations! Sign up as a table host or as a guest.

To host a table, contact cindy@stlukeum.com today. You will guide your table through the evening’s discussions, using the material provided. To be a guest, go to http://www.onthetablechatt.com and follow the prompts to “Join a public table.” Search for “On the Table: Uptown Congregations.”

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - Oct. 10
Program: Rev. John McWilliams - “How to Share Your Faith More Effectively”
Part 1 of a 3 Part Series.
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, Herbed Baked Chicken, Squash Casserole, Rice, Salad, Rolls, and Cobbler.
Name: ________________________Adults ($7.00)  _______ Children ($3.00) _________
Daytime Phone: _____________________ Email: ___________________________

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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: October 14. To place flowers on the altar in memory or honor of someone, contact Maggie Roberson at 706-327-4343 or maggie@stlukeum.com.


HOLY COMMUNION: All persons who confess Christ as their Savior, regardless of age or denomination, are invited to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Please come forward by the center aisle at the invitation of the ushers and stand or kneel in prayer at the chancel rail for as long as you like, then cup your hands to indicate your readiness to receive the Sacrament. After you have partaken of the cup, you may remain in prayer or return to your seat by means of the side aisle. Those who wish to receive Holy Communion in their seats should so indicate to an usher or pastor. Gluten-free bread is available. The offering plates at the head of the center aisle are to receive gifts for the Samaritan Fund, our emergency financial outreach ministry. Please give generously as God gives you the ability.

IN MEMORIAM
Mr. Bobby E. Ledford
October 1, 2018

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!
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, October 7th, 5-7 pm. We are taking a field trip to learn about MercyMed and help out in their community garden.

United Methodist Women
Circle 2: October 9, 10:00 a.m. (Main Bldg.)
Circle 3: October 9, 10:00 a.m. in Turner Chapel.
Circle 9: October 9, 10:30 a.m. in Room 110 (Main Bldg.)

DECEMBER FIRST SATURDAY
Saturday, December 1
7:30-11:30 a.m.
Join your class or small group or volunteer individually to serve our neighbors. Areas of service: Hospitality, Prayer, Worship, Kitchen/Dining, Sweatshirts, Shoes/Socks, Toys, Clean-Up. Some age restrictions apply for children. See insert for more information or contact cindy@stlukeum.com.

RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD (NOW CLASS)
Taught by Brett Maddocks
October 7 - November 11
Open to anyone who is interested

ST. LUKES FREE SPIRITS Luncheon
A Theatre Production by the CSU College of Arts
OLD DRY FRYE
Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018
11:30 a.m. - Cost: $10
Reservations by Oct. 19
Contact Kym at 706-327-4343 or kym@stlukeum.com.

PASSION WITH COLLEGE HOUSE
January 2-4, 2019
Philips Arena, Atlanta, GA
Cost: $235. Sign up at www.collegehouseministries.com

11 DAY EASTERN EUROPE & OBERAMMERGAU
Passion Play 2020
June 13 – 23
Material is now available- if you haven’t received yours, please contact Kym, 706-327-4343 or kym@stlukeum.com.
ABIDING GIFTS

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@stlukenum.com.


UMCOR: In memory of Rev. and Mrs. Emory Gilbert by Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Newman.

Methodist Children’s Home: In memory of Mrs. Betty Gilbert by Dr. and Mrs. Jack Hunter.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mrs. Nita Phillips by Mr. and Mrs. Troy Woods. In memory of Mrs. Jean Monk by Mr. and Mrs. John McCamy and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Frickel. In memory of Mrs. Mary Ida Holman by Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Kelley. In memory of Mrs. Betty Gilbert and Mr. Glenn Vaughn by Mrs. Jane Loftin and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vech.

St. Luke School Fund: In memory of Mrs. Marie Moshell by Mr. and Mrs. John Wood.

St. Luke Academy Fall Study
Sunday evenings (MIN)
“General Epistles of the New Testament”
(These are the non-Pauline letters of James, 1 and 2 Peter, 1, 2, 3 John, and Jude)

The study runs Sunday evenings from 5-7 p.m.
Contact Brett Maddocks with questions and information. Sign up bmaddocks@stlukenum.com or 706-327-4343.

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

Does the change in seasons give you the desire for something fresh?

Please consider becoming a volunteer for the Respite Care Ministry.

You will find the opportunity to use the gifts that God has given to you — whether it is the gift of hospitality, music, listening, crafts, serving lunch, or sharing laughter. You can volunteer once a month or once a week; it’s a great way to serve. Call and set up a time to visit with us.

Synthesis, our leadership team, put together 50 disaster relief buckets this past Sunday for flood victims in the Carolinas! “We cannot do everything, but we can do something!” St. Luke students are blessing people in our city, our country, and our world! Missional living is alive and fueled at The Corner and Crosswalk!

Rob Cartwright, Lisa Moore and several of our High School Students have begun a “Justice League” for our city! They are working on local mission efforts on a regular basis! God is at work in our students and we are learning to “give to people who can’t give back!”

DNOW SIGNUPS ARE HAPPENING NOW! go to www.thecornerstudents.com and register for THREEINONE DNOW weekend today! 20 houses, 40 college leaders, 200 plus students, Worship with national recording artists “Bread and Wine”, and messages by Jordan Easley the Pastor of First Baptist Church, Cleveland, TN. All You Can Eat Barbiertos Buffet on Friday Night, Massive cookout on Saturday at the Park, SMALL GROUPS, free tshirt, TONS OF AMAZING MOMENTS!

THE HIGH SCHOOL MOUNTAIN RETREAT IS DECEMBER 29 - JANUARY 1 Mallory Wood and band are leading worship and Tyler Hlqgins is speaking! We are skiing, tubing, ice skating, worshipping, playing, drinking a lot of hot chocolate and coffee and pressing in hard to hear the voice of God! We have spots reserved for 100 High Schoolers so sign up today and let's go to the mountains! Full details on www.thecornerstudents.com