"I Love To Tell The Story" is one of the more familiar "older hymns" in our book of hymns.

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true…
I love to tell the story, it did so much for me…
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard,
The message of salvation from God's own holy word…
I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest…
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

Katherine Hankey (1834-1911), the author of this hymn, grew up in the family of a wealthy English banker associated with the evangelical wing of the Anglican Church. As a teenager she taught a girls' Sunday school class. Later, she went to South Africa as a missionary. Her hymn reflects the evangelical fervor of the 19th century British church, and her personal passion for the story of God's redeeming love in Christ. Hankey wrote many books and several collections of poems and hymns. All the royalties from these publications were always directed to the support of some mission project.

During these weeks of September and October, I will be exploring how St. Luke is called to be a community of "story tellers." We tell the story "of Jesus and his love" in many and varied ways.

We tell the story in worship—in music and word. We tell the story in study--Bible studies, discipleship groups, Sunday school. We tell the story of Jesus and his love in service, at Respite Care, The Samaritan Center, V.I.P., The Food Pantry, S.A.W. (servants at work), F.A.N.N. (Family and Neighbor Network), local and international mission teams, and in our financial stewardship.

I hope to see you in worship Sunday. St. Luke needs your help in Telling the Story, of Jesus and his love.
ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 23, 2018 18th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude (Handbell Choir)........................................... “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” ...................................Doris Aker

Welcome and Opening Prayer..............................................................Rev. Robert Beckum

*Hymn......................................... “I Love to Tell the Story” ..................................................Number 156

***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 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 (11:00 a.m., The Chancel Choir)........... “O Glorious Word ” ..................Steven Aldredge

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer..............................................................(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard
(11:00 a.m.) Rev. Brett Maddocks
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” ...................... Phillip Baker

Hymn ...................................... “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” .......................Number 402

Offertory Prayer..............................................................................................Rev. Beckum

Offertory (Handbell Choir)........... “Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal” ...............Cathy Moklebust

*The Dedication of Offerings.................. “The Doxology”....................................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................................................. Romans 5:1-11 (p. 145, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word............ “I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY” ..................Rev. Beckum

*Hymn............................................... “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations” .............Number 569

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

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

Postlude................................. “Fantasia on Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” ...........Ken Bailey

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

Acolyte (11:00 a.m.): Jake Albright.

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.
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September 23 VIP Host Week
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 (Stockwell Hall)/High School (The Corner, MIN)
St. Luke Academy (LD, MIN)
The Fight Club Bible Study (SD, MIN)
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, September 24
12 Noon Caregiver Support Group (Respite Bld, 1021 Third Ave.)
1:30 p.m. Executive Staff Committee Meeting (Conference Room, Main)
6:30 p.m. Monday Night Women's Bible Study (Meeting Room, MIN)

Tuesday, September 25
7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (SD, MIN)
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:30 a.m. Lions Club Meeting (SD,MIN)
3:15 p.m. Volleyball Match/ Lee County (Gym)
Student Council Meeting (Meeting Room, MIN)

Wednesday, September 26
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:30 a.m. Kiwanis Luncheon (SD, MIN)
12 Noon SLPA Meeting (Meeting Room, 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)
Bible Study in Spanish (Room 110, Main)
8:00 p.m. College House (1030 Second Ave.)
8:10 p.m. Hispanic Praise Team Rehearsal (Chapel)

Thursday, September 27
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
11:30 a.m. Thursday Women’s Bible Study (Chapel, Main)
Exchange Club (SD, MIN)
12 Noon SLPA Meeting (Meeting Room, MIN)
3:15 p.m. Volleyball Tri-Match (Gym)

Friday, September 28
8:00 a.m. Free Spirits leave for Ft. Benning, GA

Saturday, September 29
12 Noon Best Dressed Fashion Show (LD, MIN)
Main (main building, where Sanctuary is)/MIN (Ministry Center). Contact the Ministry Center for information about renting or reserving rooms.

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - September 26
Program: Music of Shana Montieith
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, Fajitas, Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice, Salad, Rolls, and Assorted Desserts.

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. Brett Maddocks, preaching.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Bill (Alice) Williams by their daughter Judy Thomas.

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES: October 7, 14 & 28, November 25 and December 16. To place flowers on the altar in memory or honor of someone, contact Maggie Roberson at 706-327-4343 or maggie@stlukeum.com.


CRADLE ROLL: Mr. & Mrs. Matthew (Millie Turner Martin) Brunson Martin, Jr. announce the birth of their daughter, Beatrice Lucille, August 29, 2018, Atlanta, GA. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Brad Turner and great-grandmother, Mrs. Norma Little. A rose has been placed in the chancel area in her honor.

NEW MEMBERS: Bentley and Mary Sparks come by transfer from another denomination.

Music Box
Dr. Marc F. Boensel, Director of Music Ministries, mboensel@stlukeum.com

Dear Friends,
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. Please contact me for more information.

Today's Anthem: “Not on my merit do I stand, not on the things which I have done. Another’s worth, another’s blood, on them I rest and them alone. The love and life God’s Word has shone, on them I rest and them alone. Upon a life I have not lived, upon a death I did not die. Upon another’s sacrifice I place my hopes for endless life. O Word of hope and love of Christ, I trust the glorious Word of life! O Word of grace, O Word that long sustained our faith. Word of love and sacrifice. O, Jesus, Son of God, I lean on what Thy Word has given me, there both my death and life I read, my guilt and pardon there I see, O sacrifice that set us free, the Word of life I have believed. Not on the tears that I have shed, not on the sorrows I have known. Another’s tears, another’s wounds, another’s blood and death gave us life. I place my hope for endless life upon the glorious cross of Christ. O Word of grace... .”

Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking
Monday, October 1, 7 PM
Christ Community Church • 4078 Milgen Road

An estimated 200-300 girls are trafficked daily in Georgia and represent most counties in the state. No community is immune to the recruitment or coercion for sex trafficking. Micah’s Promise is fighting against the commercial sexual exploitation of children through prevention and awareness education. Join us for an open discussion and learn how you can help. This meeting is open to the community. Topic not suitable for children younger than 14.
**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.

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**St. Luke Orchestra presents**  
**The Great American Tailgate Show**  
**Music for the Season**

*Wear your colors and cheer for your Team!!*

**Wednesday, October 3**  
6:00 p.m. (MIN)

The St. Luke Cheerleaders will be helping cheer your team on!

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**THE COMMUNITY**

This group is for ALL post graduates who are looking for a Community based on exploring biblical concepts and serving others. Contact Hope Sims, hsims@stlukeum.com.

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**College House Fall Retreat**

October 12-15  
Panama City Beach  
Cost: $140

Sign up at:  
www.collegehouseministries.com

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**RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD (NOW CLASS)**

Taught by Brett Maddocks  
**October 7 - November 11**  
Open to anyone who is interested

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**PASSION WITH COLLEGE HOUSE**

January 2-4, 2019  
Philips Arena, Atlanta, GA  
Cost: $220 through October 1, $235 after. Sign up at  
www.collegehouseministries.com

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**Join St. Luke Free Spirits for**  
**Rangers in Action**  
**Ft. Benning, GA**

**Friday, Sept. 28, 2018**  
Leave St. Luke at 8:00 a.m.  
Cost: $10  
(includes transportation and lunch)  
Lunch at National Infantry Museum

For reservations:  
(Due by Sept. 21)  
contact Kym at  706-327-4343  
or email kym@stlukeum.com

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**St. Luke Family Camp 2018**

**October 5-7, 2018**  
Join us for this fantastic family adventure!  
Register at www.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@stlukeum.com.

**Memorial Maintenance Fund:** In memory of Mrs. Betty Gilbert and Mrs. Jean Monk by Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ogie. In memory of Mrs. Marie Moshell by Ms. Katherine Woodruff Williams and Mr. and Mrs. John McCamy. In memory of Mrs. Betty Gilbert, Mr. Glenn Vaughn, and Mr. George Clandy Ill by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gates. In memory of Mrs. Jean Monk by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Howard. In memory of Mrs. Nita Phillips by Rose Anne Erickson Realty.

**Food Pantry:** In memory of Mrs. Betty Gilbert by Ms. Barbara Rivers. In honor of Mr. Pat Robinson and The Caddells by Mrs. Rebecca Rood.

**Altar Guild:** In memory of Mrs. Betty Gilbert and Mrs. Jean Monk by Mrs. Barbara G. Haneman. In memory of Mrs. Mary Ida Holman, Mr. Jim Fay, and Mrs. Jean Monk by Dr. Nancy Pruitt.

**Bill Turner Youth Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Mrs. Marie Moshell, Mr. Abbott Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Turner by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hart.

**Methodist Children’s Home:** In memory of Mrs. Betty Gilbert by UMW Circle One, Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams, and Mrs. Peggy Gindville.

**UMCOR:** In memory of Mrs. Karen Johnson by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Frost. In honor of Mrs. Annette Pollock by Ms. Nancy Pedersen.

**Respite Care:** In memory of Mrs. Susan Fortson by Mrs. Peggy Gindville and Ms. Maggie Redden.

**Music Fund:** In honor of Brian, Mary, Ethan, and Ivey Johnson by Mrs. Rebecca Rood.

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**St. Luke Academy Fall Study**

**Sunday, September 23, 2018 (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, for information, and to sign up at bmaddocks@stlukeum.com or 706-327-4343.

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-Respite Care-

“Caring for loved ones and caregivers.”

Diane Hett, Director of Respite Ministry, 706-256-3117 or dhett@stlukeum.com

Caregiver Support Group meets Monday, September 24, noon – 1:30 p.m. in the Respite Care Building, 1021 Third Avenue

Each month a wonderful group of caregivers come together to share their joys, frustrations, and challenges in a safe, caring environment. Family members and friends tell their stories of caring for loved ones and experience the concern of others who can honestly say “We understand”. The group is open to the community.

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**THE CORNER**

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

School is back in session which means Fall SMALL GROUPS are back in full go mode! Check this out: Every Sunday Night the last 20 min. of Crosswalk and The Corner High School is devoted to small groups and it is AWESOME! We have the greatest leaders in History of the World! Sunday School (Which we call Community Groups) is one of the best experiences of the week!

- 6th - Philip and Lori Denson
- 7th - Robert Carpenter
- 8th - Sandy Gunnels
- 9th - Bentley and Mary Sparks
- 10th - Randy and Jennifer Lester
- 11th - Tommy and Jennifer Parker
- 12th - Trip and Jennifer Amos

Lisa Moore = Middle School Girls meet every Wednesday at Iron Bank, 3:30 - 4:45! Every Middle School Girl from ANY school is INVITED AND WELCOME!

Lisa Moore = High School Girls at JandL’s house! 6:15-7:30 Wednesday Nights! They are studying the book “Authentic” and it is amazing and life changing. Every High School Girl from EVERY SCHOOL is invited every Wednesday night!

Brad Williams = Middle School Homeboys, 3:30 - 4:30 Every Wednesday in The Corner! Calling all MS Boys that love tootsie rolls and rootbeer come get some Jesus with the Brad!

Wednesday 7:15 A.M. With Lee Hollingsworth at Bradley Park Chick Fil A! All High School Guys are welcome.

Wednesday High School Guys 6:30 - 8 P.M. Fried Chicken, a ton of guys and “Things You Need to Know” Bible Study! EVERY HIGH SCHOOL GUY FROM EVERY SCHOOL IS INVITED.

Please Visit our BRAND NEW Website www.thecornerstudents.com and register for DNOW and Winter Retreats!