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FORTY DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE UMC: WEEK SIX (DAYS 36-40)

A special session of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church has been called for February 23-26 in St. Louis, MO. The session is called to address the issue of human sexuality particularly as this issue pertains to Christian marriage and to ordination in The United Methodist Church. Our current position is scripturally sound, prayerfully formulated and absolutely consistent with 2000 years of canonical teaching and tradition of the Church. For the last forty-six years, our denomination has been steadfast and clear, compassionate and courageous in our discussions of the issues through twelve previous General Conferences.

Some have said they don't want to see our church become a hate-filled church. Let me be clear. The United Methodist Church in general and St. Luke in particular has not been nor will we become "hate-filled." We are committed to welcome and love all people and our track record bears witness to our commitment. Our own Book of Discipline for The United Methodist Church states clearly: "We affirm that all persons are individuals of sacred worth, created in the image of God...We affirm that God's grace is available to all. We seek to live in Christian community, welcoming, forgiving and loving one another, as Christ has loved us...We commit ourselves to be in ministry for and with all persons."

Our denomination's prohibition on same sex marriage and on sexual practice, especially by its clergy, outside the covenant bonds of marriage is an attempt to live in the Christ-like dialectic of being filled with truth and grace. Some will disagree with me but I can sincerely tell you that this struggle of commitment to truth and grace has been my experience for the last twenty-three years as a delegate to our General Conferences. Now we are at the crossroads. Pray for your church through these last five of the forty days. And pray throughout next weekend for the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Monday, Feb. 18: Matthew 16:13-20
(Jesus: Messiah, Son of the Living God)

Tuesday, Feb. 19: Colossians 1:15-20
(Jesus: In Whom the Fullness of God Dwelled)

Wednesday, Feb. 20: Hebrews 4:14-16
(Jesus: Son of God Our Great High Priest)

Thursday, Feb. 21: Hebrews 12:1-2
(Jesus: The Pioneer and Perfector of our Faith)

Friday, Feb. 22: Revelation 21:1-8
(Jesus: The God Who Has the Final Word)

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor
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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.

February 17, 2019

6th Sunday after the Epiphany

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

Color: Green

Prelude..... "Tocatta on Amazing Grace"C. Pardini

Welcome and Opening Prayer.....Rev. Brett Maddocks

*Hymn..... "Marching to Zion"Number 733

*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

**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.) "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"Benjamin Harlan
(Chancel Choir with Thomas Adams, trombone)

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer..... (8:30 a.m.) Dr. James Crosse
(11:00 a.m.) Rev. Mike McAfee

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"Philip Baker

Children's Sermon..... Miss Hope Sims

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..... "O How I Love Jesus"Number 170

*Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard

Offertory (Shana Monteith, solo)..... "His Eye Is On The Sparrow"arr. Mark Hayes

*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.....Revelation 2:1-7 (p. 231, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word..... "**REMEMBER**"Rev. Brett Maddocks

*Hymn..... "A Charge to Keep Have I".....Number 413

*The Benediction

Choral Benediction Response (11:00 a.m.)..... "Sevenfold Amen"Peter Lutkin

Postlude "A Charge to Keep I Have"Improvisation

**Standing as able.*

** *Music Box*

*** *quick* means "living"; *catholic* means "universal"

Acolytes (11:00 a.m.): Jake Albright and Chase Townsend

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, February 17

- 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)
- 5:00 p.m. St. Luke Academy (LD, MIN)
- 5-7:00 p.m. Crosswalk (Stockwell Hall)/The Corner High School (LD, MIN)
- 11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9.

Monday, February 18

St. Luke Church, SLS, ELC and Respite Care closed for holiday

Tuesday, February 19

Wednesday, February 20

- 8:35 a.m. SLS 4th-8th Chapel (Sanctuary, Main)
- 9:10 a.m. SLS K-3rd Chapel (Sanctuary, Main)
- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 10:30 a.m. Preschool/ELC Chapel (Sanctuary, Main)
- 11:30 a.m. Kiwanis Luncheon (LD, MIN)
- 3:00 p.m. Children's Choir (Ministry Center)
- 5:00 p.m. Hand Bell Rehearsal (Handbell Room)
The Talk (SD, MIN)
- 5:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER (MIN)**
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting (Stockwell Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary, Main)
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, February 21

- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 11:30 a.m. Thursday Women's Bible Study (Turner Chapel)
Exchange Club (SD, MIN)
- 12 Noon Our House/Carpenters Way Board Meeting (Meeting Rm., MIN)
- 4:00 p.m. Right From the Start Full Board Meeting (Meeting Rm., MIN)

Friday, February 22

- 8:30 a.m. 8th Grade National History Day Presentations (LD, MIN)
- 6:00 p.m. One Way Family Church Pastors Anniversary (LD, MIN)

Saturday, February 23

- 7:00 p.m. Ms. Columbus Pageant (LD, MIN)

Main (Church Sanctuary), MIN (Ministry Center). Contact the Ministry Center for information about renting or reserving rooms, 706-256-2017.

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - February 20

Program: Rev. Robert Beckum

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

Menu: Fried Chicken, meatloaf, butter beans, mashed potatoes, salad and rolls.

Name: _____

Adults (\$7.00) _____ Children (\$3.00) _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Email: _____

MUSIC BOX

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

Dear Friends,

There is a place for you and your family in the Music Ministry. Whether you sing, play orchestral instruments, or your children do, please consider finding your place in the Music Ministry.

Please mark your calendars for the following: February 28, 7:00 p.m., **Ft. Benning Army Band Concert** in the Sanctuary; March 31, 4:00 p.m., **St Luke Chamber Players, Mozart Gran Partita** in the Sanctuary; May 10, 7:00 p.m., **Keyboards for Kenya** in the Ministry Center; October 13, 4:00 p.m., **Great Afternoon of Methodist Singing** in the Sanctuary.

Today's Anthem: "How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory. Behold a Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders, ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished. His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished. I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom, but I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer, but this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom."

WORSHIP IN SPANISH: 12:20 p.m. worship in Turner Chapel, Rev. Dr. Ivelisse Quiñones preaching, "Llamado-Pedro," Lucas 5:1-11.

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 honor of Mrs. Jean Amos for her 90th birthday by her Tuesday Morning Bible Study friends.

OPEN FLOWER DATES: February 24, March 3, 10, 24 and 31. Please contact Maggie Robertson at maggie@stlukeum.com to reserve a date.

OUR KNOWN SICK: **Piedmont Midtown (Medical Center):** George Stotser, 1001. **Piedmont Northside (Hughston)** Franke Adams, 320, Soraya Favel, 330.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. and Mrs. Lee (Carm) Myers and family in the death of his sister-in-law, Dixie Myers, Feb. 1, 2019 in Elkhart, Indiana.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Erin Harrison Knight
February 12, 2019



Important Confirmation Dates:

February 21-24th: Confirmation Retreat
(Epworth By the Sea/Savannah)

March 17th: Confirmation Sunday and Lunch



ST. LUKE ACADEMY PRESENTS

The Scripture Way of Salvation:

"The Life and Theology of John Wesley for Today"

We are looking at the life and theology of one of the most important Christians in history. We are studying who John Wesley was, what he believed, and how he ignited a movement that literally impacted the world for Christ. If you have ever wanted to know who John Wesley was, what it means to be a

Methodist/Wesleyan, and how John Wesley continues to impact St. Luke today, please join us.

Sunday Nights from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. (LD, Ministry Center)

January 13-April 14, 2019

No cost. Contact Rev. Brett Maddocks, bmaddocks@stlukeum.com, for more information.

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 grade students. Children will be escorted upstairs to the Corner Kidz Room beside the gymnasium. Parents need to pick up children from upstairs immediately after the service.

CORNER KIDZ (11:00 a.m.) welcomes K-5th grade students. 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. Parents need to drop off their child at the appropriate Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., and pick up their child promptly by 10:50 a.m. Our greeters will help you and your child find their Sunday School classroom.

ST. LUKE PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT for school year 2019-2020 has begun! Our half-day program operates from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. each day, on a school calendar, August through May. We serve children ages three months to four years old. For more information or to schedule a tour, please contact the Preschool at 706-327-4343.

-Respite Care-

"Caring for loved ones and caregivers"

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



Join us for a cup of coffee and catch up on what's going on.

Play a trivia game, work on a craft, enjoy a game of checkers or cards.

Have fun with exercises and stretches.

Share in a devotion and prayer concerns.

Get acquainted at the lunch table.

Finally, join with guest musicians as we sing our favorite hymns or other familiar song.

You've experienced "A Day at Respite Care". We are looking for volunteers. Please give us a call.

HOSPITALITY TEAM If you enjoy making people feel welcome, greeting guests, and sharing the love of Christ through a smile and a warm "hello," then we'd love to have you join the St. Luke Hospitality Team. There are many ways to connect with and serve others through this ministry including greeters, ushers, and even parking attendants. If interested, please contact Brett Maddocks at bmaddocks@stlukeum.com. Please **note the date change** and plan to join us for our Hospitality Luncheon on Sunday, March 3, at noon, in the large dining room.



ST. LUKE FREE SPIRITS

February event:

Georgia Aquarium and

World of Coca-Cola

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Meet at the church at 8:00 a.m.

Cost \$70

Reservation due Feb. 19

Reservations: Kym 706-327-4343,

kym@stlukeum.com



Open Door Classic

Saturday, March 9, 2019

Time: Fun Run and 5k runner registration opens at 7:30 a.m.

at Woodruff Park (not Big Dog)

Walker Registration: 8:00 a.m. • Fun Run starts at 8:30 a.m.

5K Run starts: 9:00 a.m., Walk starting immediately after runners leave.

Register online at: www.odch.org

(scroll down to Open Door Classic logo and click)

Call 706-323-5518 for more information.

All proceeds benefit the ministries of Open Door Community House

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.

Samaritan Fund: In memory of Mrs. Vicki Corradino by the NOW Class.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mr. Robert Kemp by Mr. and Mrs. Len Sexton, Mr. and Mrs. Al Sanders, Dr. and Mrs. Cecil Whitaker, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chambless, Mr. and Mrs. John House, Mr. Rem Houser, Mr. Walter Miller, The Lemon Tree Garden Club, Mr. Howard R. Jacobs, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Willis. In memory of Mrs. Vicki Corradino and Mrs. Mary Jane Coley by Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Culbreth. In memory of Mr. Clyde Burton Hewitt, Jr. by Rev. and Mrs. Fred Wall, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Howard. In honor of Bobby and Mary Elsie Martin on their 50th Wedding Anniversary and in memory of Mr. Clyde Burton Hewitt, Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Swift. In honor of the first birthday of Anna Kate Denes by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Corkill. In honor Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elmo Martin III on their 50th Wedding Anniversary by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Howard.

General Fund: In memory of Mr. Clyde Burton Hewitt, Jr. and Mr. Robert Kemp by Mr. and Mrs. Randy Jones. In honor of Mrs. Jean Amos by Mrs. Pat Jones. In memory of Mr. Robert Kemp by Gardner, Willis, Sweat, Plaire and Pickett, LLP.

Food Pantry: In memory of Mr. Robert Kemp and Mrs. Vicki Corradino by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hall. In memory of Mr. Robert Kemp by Mrs. Joanne Cavis.

Respite Care: In memory of Mrs. Mary Jane Coley by Mrs. Faye Lester.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: In memory of Mr. Robert Kemp and Mr. Clyde Burton Hewitt, Jr. by Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Robert Poydasheff.

Keyboards for Kenya: In honor of Mrs. Suzanne McCluskey and Mrs. Susan Graham by Mrs. Annette Pollock.

Music Fund: In honor of Dr. Marc Boensel by Drs. Clifton and Christine Ruehl.

THE FOOD PANTRY IS LOOKING FOR FIVE OR SIX VOLUNTEERS who want to show the love of Christ through servant leadership right here on the St. Luke Church campus. Anyone looking for a way to give back to our church and community is welcome! Retired adults, stay-at-home parents, mission-hearted students, this is a perfect opportunity for you to share and receive the reciprocal joy of Jesus through loving service to others. It requires a heart for the broken, and four hours of your time, just once a month. Please contact Richard Jarboe at jarboer@aol.com for more information.



THE CORNER

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

SOULED OUT ONE

March 10, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Celebrating **20** years OF SOULED OUT SUMMER

FEARLESS

JUNE 3-7, 2019 ISAIAH 43:1

AM SPEAKER LEE MCBRIDE PM SPEAKER JORDAN EASLEY WORSHIP WITH MOORE

INCREDIBLE WORSHIP, CHALLENGING MESSAGES, SMALL GROUPS, THE BEACH SK RACE, 3V3 BASKETBALL, STRONG MAN AND WOMAN COMPETITION, FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT, GUEST WORSHIP WITH BRAD AND LISA WILLIAMS II MALLORY WOOD BAND

A night of worship for the **WHOLE FAMILY**

Jonathan and Lisa Moore's band "Moore's" CD release of their new album, "Covered", as well as "Following You", the single! Brad and Lisa will also be debuting their new song and a world renown speaker and a Souled Out favorite Lee McBride, in a celebration of 20 years of Souled Out conferences. Come support Souled Out! Tickets \$10 pre-order by calling Erin Knight at 706-256-1017 or come by the St. Luke Ministry Center. Tickets are \$15 at the door. Come join the whole city and surrounding areas for a night of worship and fun! Can't wait to see you for this Souled Out One Night Experience! For more information about anything student ministry related please go to www.thecornerstudents.com.
