Heavenly Father, we pray for our United Methodist Church, that we may be open to your leading for a true Way Forward. Give us love for one another. Take away our anxiety and our tendency to want to criticize others. Surprise us with your power to make a way when there seems to be no way, that your name be glorified and your church strengthened in its witness for Christ. Amen

“Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me.” Rev. 3:20

Called General Conference of the United Methodist Church on Feb. 23rd-26th in St. Louis.

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 24, 2019  7th Sunday after the Epiphany

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

Prelude  (The Handbell Choir) ................. “The Solid Rock” ......................... Patricia Hurlbutt

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

*Hymn.............................................. “Now Thank We All Our God” ..................Number 102

*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.) ....................... “Oh How He Loves You and Me” .................John Purifoy (Chancel Choir)

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.............................................. “My Hope Is Built” .................................Number 368

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

Offertory (Handbell Choir) .................. “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” .......................arr. Lloyd Larson

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 3:14-22 (p. 232, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word ............. “CHRIST KNOCKING AT THE DOOR” ............Rev. Robert Beckum

Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer ..............................................................Rev. Beckum

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.

*Hymn.............................................. “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” ..........................Number 140

The Choral Benediction Response (11:00 a.m.) .................. “Sevenfold Amen” .....................Peter Lutkin

Postlude .................................................................. “Now Thank We All Our God” ..................Improvisation

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

Acolytes (11:00 a.m.): Hannah Grace Mayfield and Grace Walker

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 24**
- 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)
- 1:40 p.m. Hispanic Sunday School Classes and Fellowship (Stockwell Hall, Main)
- 5:00 p.m. St. Luke Academy (LD, MIN)
- 5:70 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 25**
- 1:30 p.m. St. Luke Ex. Staff Meeting (Conf., Room)

**Tuesday, February 26**
- 8:00 a.m. Free Spirits meet for Georgia Aquarium and World of Coca-Cola
- 11:30 a.m. Lions Club (SD, MIN)

**Wednesday, February 27**
- 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 28**
- 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)
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Orchestra Dinner and Pops Concert (LD, MIN)

**Friday, March 1**
- 6:00 p.m. Harris County JROTC Dinner (LD, MIN)

**Saturday, March 2**
- 10:30 a.m. First Saturday Ministry (Chapel, Stockwell Hall)
- 6:30 p.m. SLS Father/Daughter Dance (LD, MIN)

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

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**WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - February 27**

Program: Rev. Don McKelvey (Director of Chaplain Services at St. Francis)
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 706-256-2017 before noon on Monday.

**Menu:** Catfish, cheese grits, cole slaw, hush puppies, salad and rolls

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

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. and Mrs. David (Lisa) Mize and family in the death of her mother, Mrs. Mecca Wiley, February 9, 2019, Decatur, AL.

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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 impactful 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.
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
Reservations: Kym 706-327-4343, kym@stlukeum.com

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. Our greeters will help you and your child find their Sunday School class. Parents need to drop off their child at 10:00 a.m., and pick up their child promptly by 10:50 a.m., as many of our teachers attend the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

Confirmation Sunday
March 17th: Confirmation Sunday Service and Dinner
4:00 p.m. in Ministry Center

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

Community Caregiver Support Group
for those caring for loved ones with cognitive decline.
Monday, February 25
12 Noon – 1:30 p.m.
Respite Care Building, 1021 Third Avenue

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. Please contact Brett Maddocks at bmaddocks@stlukeum.com. Please plan to join us for our Hospitality Luncheon on Sunday, March 3, at noon, in the large dining room.

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February event:
GEORGIA AQUARIUM AND WORLD OF COCA-COLA
Tuesday, February 26, 2019
Meet at the church at 8:00 a.m.
Cost $70
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.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Dr. Bill Arthur and Mrs. Vicki Corradino by Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brantley. In memory of Mr. Robert Kemp by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cox. In memory of Mr. Robert Kemp and Mr. Clyde Burton Hewitt, Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tante, IV.

NOW Class Fund: In memory of Mrs. Vicki Corradino by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Belk.

Keyboards for Kenya: In memory of Mrs. Vicki Corradino by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Newman. In honor of Rev. Mike McAfee by Circle 9 UMW. In memory of Mrs. Erin Knight and in honor of Mrs. Jean Amos on her birthday by Rev. and Mrs. Mike McAfee.

Naomi’s Village: In honor of the David Morgan Family by Rev. Tom Scott.

Respite Care: In memory of Mr. Clyde Burton Hewitt, Jr. by Mrs. Kathy Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Noriea, and Mr. Walter Miller.

Samaritan Fund: In memory of Dr. Bill Arthur by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cartledge.

General Fund: In memory of Mr. Clyde Burton Hewitt, Jr. by Kerri and Cara Cassell.

Meals on Wheels: In memory of Dr. Bill Arthur by Circle 9 UMW.

Youth Fund: In memory of Mrs. Erin Knight by Mrs. Annette Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Anthony, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Parker, and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register.

Youth Mission Trip: In memory of Mrs. Erin Knight by Ms. Nancy Pedersen.

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

*Bake Sale, Bake Sale, Bake Sale* Sunday, February 24 before and after the 9 and after the 11 o’clock service! These delicious goodies will be on sale and ALL PROCEEDS will go to funding our trip to share the gospel in Ensenada, Mexico this July! Our team is baking up a storm this week and can’t wait to share our treats with you this Sunday! Help support us as we go into the world with the gospel!

*Join us TODAY February 24*, in the The Corner to hear Nathan Alpert, director of YUGO ministries share his heart for Mexico and the people of Ensenada! EVERYONE IS INVITED, whether you are coming with us or not! Come hear firsthand what our team from St. Luke will be doing this summer on mission!

*Synthesis* (High School Leadership Team) we meet today...Sunday Feb 24th at 3:30 in the Corner!

Souled Out One
March 10, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Celebrating 20 Years of Souled Out Summer

FEARLESS

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-renowned speaker and 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 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.