Thankful for the Faithfulness and Witness of St. Luke

Last week I expressed appreciation for so many who opened their hearts and gave of their time to extend radical hospitality to all those in attendance at Annual Conference. This week I received a wonderful email from Mary Bass (who served many hours in the ministry of hospitality during Annual Conference). Mary said, “There is another group who worked long and hard during Annual Conference. These I call the unsung, often unseen, heroes. Those who provided child care, who kept the bathrooms clean, who cooked and served hundreds of meals to our visitors, who answered phones, printed materials, made the directional signs, who ran the audio visuals during the week. I know many of these are paid staff, but they went so far beyond their regular job requirements in order to make our guests feel welcome and to make St. Luke look good. Praise God for their commitment!” Truer words have never been spoken. Thank you Mary.

In addition to hospitality, St Luke lead the Annual Conference in ministry as it has done throughout all of its history. For as many years as we can remember, St. Luke received The Carruth Mission Award for the highest amount given through denominational channels, The Advance, $189,093. This is about half the amount of our missional giving beyond our operational budget. This amount is in addition to St. Luke giving, by far, the largest amount of any church for conference apportionments. St. Luke was also a leader in the support of Magnolia Manor, Open Door Community Center, Wesley Glen Ministries and The Methodist Home for Children and Youth. St. Luke was also a leader in growth through professions of faith and weekly worship attendance.


On a personal note, it was a moving and meaningful evening during Annual Conference for Mary Pat and me to witness the commissioning of our son, Jonathan, as a Provisional Elder in the St. Luke sanctuary. Yet another sacred memory in the beautiful place of worship where so many sacred memories are made. Thanks be to God for the faithfulness and witness of St. Luke!
June 16, 2019
Father’s Day
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude .................................................... “Nicea” .................................................. Piet Post
Welcome and Opening Prayer .............................................................. Rev. Robert Beckum
*Hymn ..................................................... “Holy, Holy, Holy” ....................................... Number 64
*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 .................................. “Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God” ............................ G.F. Handel
Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer .............................................................
(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Beckum
(11:00 a.m.) Rev. Dick Reese
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.) ........... “Danish Amen” .............................................. anon.

The Written Word ............................................................ Romans 5:1-5 (p. 145, NT in pew Bible)

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

OUR PHONE NUMBERS
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St. Luke School, 706-256-1301 • Early Learning Center, 706-322-2703
Ministry Center, 706-256-1017 • Respite Care Ministry, 706-256-3117
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, June 16
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)
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Monday, June 17
10:00 a.m. Northwest District Set-up meeting (MIN)

Tuesday, June 18
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
2:00 p.m. Bible Study with Kay Denes (College House)

Wednesday, June 19
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 p.m. Hispanic Praise Team Rehearsal (Chapel)
8:00 p.m. College House (1030 Second Ave.)

Thursday, June 20
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)

Friday, June 21

Saturday, June 22
Main (main building, where Sanctuary is:MIN (Ministry Center). Contact the Ministry Center for information about renting or reserving rooms, 706-256-1017.

GOD BLESS AMERICA
JUNE 30, 2019
ONE GREAT SERVICE OF WORSHIP
10:30 A.M. IN THE ST. LUKE MINISTRY CENTER
(no 8:30, 9:00, or 11:00 a.m., no 12:20 p.m.)
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Please bring two dishes to share and some friends to share them with!
Preschool Nursery provided. Ministry Center is wheelchair-accessible.

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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!


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OUR KNOWN SICK: Piedmont Northside (Hughston): Eleanor Strickland, 311.

MUSIC BOX

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

You and your children are invited to consider joining the Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, Children’s Choir, and St Luke ‘Orchestra’ to find your place to serve the church through music. Contact Marc Boensel for more information at the e-mail address above or at 706-256-2682.

There are 4 designated funds to which you can donate to support the Music Ministry: Music Fund, Music Scholarship Fund, Organ Fund, and Orchestra Fund.

Please mark your calendars for the following:

- **August 18, 2019** at 4pm in the Sanctuary for the St. Luke Chamber Players concert. This free concert will feature works by Arthur Bird and Ludwig van Beethoven. The Chamber Players is a group of between 8 and 14 instruments.
- **October 13, 2019** at 4pm in the Sanctuary for a Great Afternoon of Methodist Singing, with members of area UM, AME, and CME church choirs singing ‘Great Anthems of the Faith.’


Today’s Anthem:


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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CORNER KIDZ (9:00 a.m.) welcomes K-5th grade students. Children will be escorted upstairs to the Corner Kidz Room beside the gymnasium.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: During June and July, Children’s Sunday School will meet upstairs in the Ministry Center (in the Corner Kidz Room and gymnasium area). Parents, please pick up your children promptly by 10:50 a.m.

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.

IF YOU ENJOY WORKING WITH CHILDREN, we need volunteers for Vacation Bible School. VBS will be July 15-19, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon. There are various volunteer positions that need to be filled: teachers, crew leaders (guides), assistants and registration. Please contact Children’s Ministry at twilliams@stlukeum.com.

DEADLINE FOR VBS REGISTRATION: Monday, July 8th. Please register your child(ren) by that date so that we can adequately prepare for a fun week for all our children!

Scholarship Gifts for Cindy and Ivelisse

As announced Sunday at the reception for Cindy Garrard and Ivelisse Quinones, scholarships gifts are being made in their honor. One scholarship will be to Emory University, Candler School of Theology, where Cindy received both her Master of Divinity and Doctor of Divinity degrees. The other scholarship will be to Andrew College, where Ivelisse will serve as Chaplain to the college and pastor of Cuthbert United Methodist Church.

If you would like to share in these scholarship gifts, you may make your contributions through the end of June. Designate your donations for “Scholarship Gifts.”

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 Brett Maddocks or any of the pastors at 706-327-4343 or bmaddocks@stlukeum.com. Thank you for blessing us with your presence.
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.

Abiding Gifts will appear in next week’s bulletin.

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

On the 75th anniversary of D-Day, we had two World War II veterans at Respite Care. One entered the Army Air Corps at 16; the other left high school to join the Coast Guard. Their stories are remarkable. This summer they will be 94 and 95.

Thank you Dr. Luther Smith and Otto (Worley) Chitwood for your service.

OUR CLERGY STAFF
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ST. LUKE FREE SPIRITS JUNE EVENT
SUMMER SING-A-LONG WITH SPECIAL SURPRISES
Tuesday, June 25, 2019
11:30 a.m.
Cost $10
For reservations contact
Kym at 706-327-4343
or email kym@stlukeum.com

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

NO Crosswalk and the Corner High School this Sunday night due to Father’s Day.
Locals every Monday this summer! Come eat with us from 12-2 PM each Monday!
Locations TBA on Sunday Nights!

Best Summer Ever Tour

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