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Pentecost Sunday: The Difference the Holy Spirit Makes

“We must remember the beginning of the Church’s story. When Jesus had been crucified and raised from the dead, the sum total of the Church was a hundred and twenty persons (Acts 1:15). There was scarcely a person of wealth or influence or power amongst them; there was scarcely a person of intellectual eminence; they were poor; they were undistinguished; and they were simple. To this company of people was given an incredible task: ‘Ye shall be my witnesses,’ said the risen Christ, ‘both in Jerusalem and in Judea and Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the earth’ (Acts 1:8).

The message they were to bring was the story of a wandering Galilean prophet, crucified as a common criminal in Jerusalem. They were Jews, and they were to bring their message to a world where anti-Semitism was as violent as it has ever been at any time in history. They were to preach purity to a world that was steeped in immorality, and which for the most part did not even regard chastity as a virtue to be desired.

On the face of it, it looked like a task which was completely impossible. It would not have been in the least surprising from a human point of view, if those who were confronted with it had simply recognized its impossibility, and had not even begun to attempt it. But before they began the task they were bidden to wait. To wait for what, or for whom? They were bidden to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit upon them (Acts 1:4-8). **And when the Holy Spirit came, the task that seemed impossible somehow became possible.**

Within thirty years the message of the gospel had reached Rome and far beyond, and the numbers of the church were reckoned in the hundred thousands, and into the world had come new life and new purity which even those most hostile to Christianity could not deny. The New Testament leaves no doubt that the power behind this miracle was the power of the Holy Spirit. **It is that same power which the Church of today needs to confront the challenges and grasp the opportunities before it.”**

(From) The Promise of the Spirit by William Barclay

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor

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Remember: Special reception for Cindy Garrard and Ivelisse Quiñones during the Sunday School hour in the Ministry Center Large Dining Room.

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.

June 9, 2019

Pentecost

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

Color: Red

Prelude..... "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"arr. Paul Mickelson

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

*Hymn..... "O Spirit of the Living God"Number 539

*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 (8:30 a.m.)..... "On Eagle's Wings"arr. Mark Hayes

** (11:00 a.m.)..... "Holy Spirit, Come"Lloyd Larson

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer.....Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard

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.)..... "Dresden Amen"Johann Naumann

The Children's Sermon.....(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Cindy Garrard (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Brett Maddocks

After the 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..... "Because He Lives"Number 364

Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Garrard

Offertory..... "Canticle of Praise on Azmon"Alice Jordan

*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.....Acts 2:1-21 (p.111, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word..... "**FIRE IN THE HOLE**"Rev. Robert Beckum

*Hymn..... "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"No. 334

*The Benediction

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

Postlude..... "How Firm a Foundation"Improvisation

*Standing as able. **See Music Box *** quick means "living;" catholic means "universal," or the global Church

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

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, June 9

- 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)
Reception for Cindy Cox Garrard and Ivelisse Quiñones (LD, MIN)
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)
- 11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Monday, June 10

- 11:00 a.m. UMW Circle One (Respite, 1021 Third Ave.)

Tuesday, June 11

- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 10:30 a.m. The New Beginnings Circle 3 (Room 110, Main)
- 2:00 p.m. Bible Study with Kay Denes (College House)

Wednesday, June 12

- 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 13

- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)

Friday, June 14

Saturday, June 15

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

A Special Word of Gratitude

I am very grateful for the way St. Luke stepped up to host the 2019 South Georgia Annual Conference. Everyone remarked on the extreme hospitality and grace they experienced here during the four day session. To the many volunteers, to extraordinary effort by our church staff, to the faithful and unending work of our Local Arrangements Committee headed by Dr. James Crosse, thank you all for tackling a difficult job and doing it with style and grace. On Wednesday a lady who visited as a delegate summed up my sentiments perfectly. She said, "St. Luke is amazing!" Yes you are, and I am deeply grateful to be your pastor. Robert B.



GOD BLESS AMERICA JUNE 30, 2019

ONE GREAT SERVICE OF WORSHIP

(no 8:30, 9:00, or 11:00 a.m., no 12:20 p.m.)

10:30 A.M. IN THE ST. LUKE MINISTRY CENTER

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please bring two dishes to share and some friends to share them with!
Preschool Nursery provided. Ministry Center is wheelchair-accessible.

MUSIC BOX

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

Would you like to know more about finding your place to serve the church through music? We would love to help you find your place in St. Luke's Music Ministry. Contact Marc for more details, 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.

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 choirs singing 'Great Anthems of the Faith.'

****Today's 11am Anthem:** "O Spirit of the living God, O Light and Fire divine, descend upon Your Church once more that we may truly shine. Fill us with love, with joy and grace, with righteousness and peace, till Christ shall dwell in every heart, and sin and sorrow cease. *Holy Wind of God, with wisdom blow until our minds are free, till our blinded yes can see! Holy Spirit, come. Inspire us in this hour by Your gracious love and glorious power. Teach us to utter living words of truth that all may hear, a language all will understand when love speaks loud and clear; till every age and every race shall blend their hearts as one, and earth shall form one family through whom Your will is done. Holy Wind of God...*"

WORSHIP IN SPANISH: 12:20 p.m. worship in chapel, Rev. Dr. Ivelisse Quiñones preaching, "Jesús el camino al Padre"; Juan 14: 8-14.

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. McAllister Isaacs, Jr. by the family.

OUR KNOWN SICK: Piedmont Northside (Hughston): Eleanor Strickland, 311. **St. Francis:** George Shelby Strickland, 233.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. and Mrs. David (Janet) Lovett in the death of his father and Miss Hailey Hinson and Mr. Evan Hinson in the death of their grandfather, Mr. Gene Lovett, May 28, 2019, Columbus, GA.

<p>IN MEMORIAM</p>

<p>Mr. Andres Windster</p>

<p>June 2, 2019</p>

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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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

www.cornerkidz.com

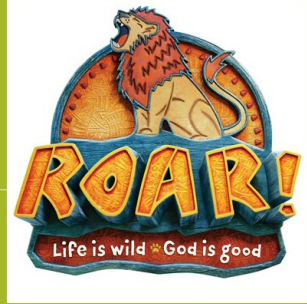
CORNER KIDZ (9:00 a.m.) welcomes K-5th grade students. Children will be escorted upstairs to the Corner Kidz Room beside the gymnasium. Parents need to pick up children from upstairs immediately after the service.

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.

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.

ST. LUKE VBS



July 15th – July 19th, 9am – 12pm
Completed Pre-K – Fifth grade
Sign up online at cornerkidz.com
\$10 per child



**St. Luke Summer
2019
REGISTRATION IS
OPEN!**

Camps for children ages 3 - 14 will be held on the St. Luke Campus during the weeks of:

June 10-14 and June 17-21

For a complete listing of camps go to:
<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/0DJC2jD0>

To register your child for St. Luke Summer:
<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/0DJC2jD0>

OUR CLERGY STAFF

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Ministry Center, 706-256-1017 • Respite Care Ministry, 706-256-3117

THIS SUNDAY JUNE 9

Reception for Cindy Cox Garrard and Ivelisse Quiñones

This Sunday we are asking all of our adult Sunday School Classes to join in a special convocation/reception during the Sunday School Hour 10-10:45 in the St. Luke Ministry Center to celebrate the ministries of Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard and Rev. Dr. Ivelisse Quiñones. Cindy has served under appointment at St. Luke for thirty-two years and will retire at this session of Annual Conference. Ivelisse has served under appointment at St. Luke for thirteen years and will be reappointed to the Cuthbert United Methodist Church at this session of Annual Conference. We have much ministry to celebrate and much love to share with both of these wonderful St. Luke staff members, and I know you will want to be a part of this time of grace and gratitude.

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 honor of Mr. Marshall Tomblin Romeo by Mr. and Mrs. Scott Jones. In honor of Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard by Dr. and Mrs. Susan Lawhorne.

Samaritan Fund: In honor of Dr. Spencer and Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard by Mr. and Mrs. Doug Harvey. In honor of Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard by Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams. In honor of Dr. Lee McCluskey by Dr. and Mrs. Rick Lanford. In memory of Mrs. Mary Hutchens by Mrs. Annette Pollock.

Meals on Wheels: In memory of Mrs. Mary Hutchens by Mr. and Mrs. Mike Corradino.

Hispanic Ministries: In honor of Rev. Dr. Ivelisse Quiñones by Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams.

Music Scholarship Fund: In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register by Mr. and Mrs. William Montgomery.

Music Fund: In honor of Dr. Marc F. Boensel, Mr. Ken Bailey, and St. Luke Musicians by Mr. and Mrs. William Montgomery.

Respite Care: In honor of Rev. Dr. Cindy Cox Garrard and Rev. Dr. Ivelisse Quiñones by Mr. and Mrs. William Montgomery.

-Respite Care-

“Caring for loved ones and caregivers”

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



WE WANT YOU!

“Imagine working all day, every day: your birthday, anniversary, Christmas, sick or well. You can’t go out or do a chore without taking this person who may take 10 minutes to get out of the car and who is often confused and anxious. And in the evening when you are the most tired, everything gets worse with more agitation and confusion.

Welcome to the life of a Caregiver; it’s psychologically and physically draining.

I volunteer at Respite Care because I know from personal and professional experience what a great need and blessing there is for a few hours of relief from the constant work and anxiety of being a caregiver for a person with dementia.

Respite Care is looking for “a few good men. Be one of the few, the proud.” We’ll show you what to do and you won’t have to wonder if you’re making a difference.

Joseph M. Carter, MD (Volunteers every Wednesday at Respite Care)



THE CORNER

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

Best Summer Ever Tour

6.2	SUMMER KICK OFF <i>Corner • Crosswalk • Respite</i>
6.3-7	SOULED OUT SUMMER
6.9	POOL PARTY <i>Corner • Crosswalk</i>
6.16	PANCAKE BREAKFAST <i>Father's Day Sunday School</i>
6.23	LATE NIGHT BOWLING <i>Corner Only Event</i>
6.25	SIX FLAGS <i>Corner • Six Flags Only Event</i>
6.26	SKY ZONE <i>Crosswalk Only Event</i>
6.30	POOL PARTY <i>Corner • Crosswalk</i>
7.7-7.13	MEXICO MISSION TRIP
7.14	POOL PARTY <i>Crosswalk Only Event</i>
7.19	BRAVES GAME <i>Corner • Six Flags Only Event</i>
7.21	PANCAKE BREAKFAST <i>Sunday School</i>
7.26	SPECIAL EVENT <i>Crosswalk Only Event</i>
7.28	B. Y. O. P.

LOCALS EVERY MONDAY OF THE SUMMER-LOCATIONS TBD

Each Sunday Night Crosswalk and the Corner High School meet from 5-7 p.m.

Locals every Monday this summer! Come eat with us from 12-2 PM each Monday! Locations TBA on Sunday Nights!

Crosswalk and The Corner High School Summer Interns have been selected and began their summer ministry at Souled Out Summer! They are pumped to meet you and spend THE BEST SUMMER EVER with you!