Dear St. Luke Church Family,

The 2019-2020 school year has begun and it is wonderful to see our corner of Uptown Columbus busy with all of the activities, experiences and challenges a new school year brings. God is most definitely at work here at St. Luke School and I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as St. Luke School Trustee Chair.

As church members, your support of this powerful ministry is invaluable and today, I need to share some important news about our school with you, the church family. Bill Shelnutt, our Head of School, has accepted the role of Head of School at Trinity Presbyterian School in Montgomery, Alabama beginning July 2020.

Bill will remain as Head of St. Luke School through the 2019-2020 school year, serving the final year of his five-year contract, and is fully committed to assist during this time of leadership transition. Bill will remain focused on the SLS mission, supporting our faculty and delivering our unique student experience. We are grateful to Bill for his leadership and service over the last four years and wish he, Susan, Will and Annie, all the best as they move to Montgomery.

The next step for our school involves instituting a formal search process for the next Head of St. Luke School. Brandon Peak, SLS Trustee and member of the St. Luke Pastor Parish Committee, has graciously agreed to serve as chair of the Head of School search committee. Brandon will begin right away to assemble a strong committee from various St. Luke stakeholder groups and establish a plan to recommend our next Head of School. Brandon and I look forward to gathering input from the St. Luke church and school family throughout the process and will communicate more details as they are available.

Thank you for your support during the 2019-2020 school year as we search for a new Head of School. Please do not hesitate to call on me, or Rev. Robert Beckum should you have questions or concerns as we navigate the school year together. Our doors are always open to you and our contact information is below. We covet your prayers and rejoice in knowing that God has great plans for our school.

In Christ,

Andy Hidle
Chair, St. Luke School Trustees
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Rev. Robert Beckum - rbeckum@stlukeum.com, 706-327-4343
September 15, 2019

14th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude............................................. “Grand Choeur” ...............................Theodore Dubois

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

*Hymn........................................ “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” .....................Number 66

*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........................................ “Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You” ......................Jay Althouse

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer ..............................................................Rev. Dr. Adriane Burgess

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.................... “Danish Amen” ................................................anon.

The Children’s Sermon....................(8:30) Rev. Beckum (11:00 a.m.) Mary Pat Beckum

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.................................. “Just as I Am, Without One Plea” .........................Number 357

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Offertory Prayer .............................................(8:30) Rev. Burgess (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Brett Maddocks

*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.................................(p.73, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word............................. “The Seeking and Celebrating Church” ..........Rev. Beckum

*Hymn........................................ “To God Be the Glory” ..................................Number 98

*The Benediction ..............................(8:30) Rev. Burgess (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Beckum

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

Postlude........................................ “To God Be the Glory”................................Improvisation

Acolyte (11:00 a.m.): 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 Brett Maddocks or any of the pastors at 706-327-4343 or bmaddocks@stlukeum.com. Thank you for blessing us with your presence.
WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - September 18

Program: “The Jesus Who Surprises” by Mary Pat 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, Smoked beef tips, broccoli casserole, butter beans, rice, salad, rolls, and assorted desserts.

Name: __________________________________________________________________________

Adults ($7.00)  _______ Children ($3.00) __________Daytime Phone: _____________________________

Email: ___________________________________________________________________________

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 and in loving memory of Mrs. Jane Kendrick Blackmar by the family.

OPEN FLOWER DATES: October 13 and 27, November 24. Please contact Maggie Roberson at maggie@stlukeum.com to reserve a date.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mrs. Carolyn Cartledge in the death of her husband, Mr. John Dudley Cartledge, September 5, 2019, Chattanooga, TN.

OUR KNOWN SICK: St. Francis: Fran Hall Kerce, PCN 27A. Mayo Clinic (200 First St. SW, Rochester, MN 55905): Larry Caddell.

DAR PROMOTES CONSTITUTION WEEK The annual observance of Constitution Week runs Sept 17 to Sept 23. Local chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) encourage you to commemorate this document that upholds and protects the freedoms central to our American way of life. See http://www.usconstitution.net.

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!

For more information please contact Rev. Brett Maddocks, bmaddocks@stlukeum.com.

**Music Box**

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

The Chancel Choir now sings at 8:30 and 11am! High School age youth and adults from any service are welcome to join the Chancel Choir. Contact Marc Boensel for more information at the e-mail address above or at 706-256-2682.

There are four 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:

- 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.’ (Nursery provided thru 5th grade)
- February 23, 2020 at 4PM in the Sanctuary for the **St. Luke Chamber Players** in concert performing classic works for strings.

**Today's Anthem:** “Lord, I stretch my hands to you; no other help I know. If you should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go, Oh Lord? Lord, I give my soul to you; I seek your care and love. No other blessings do I need but those from you above. Lord, I ask you: give me faith, and help me understand. And, Lord, when I this life shall leave, just hold me in your hand.”

ST. LUKE FREE SPIRITS
CELEBRATE FALL: DOWNTOWN TREE WALK
Tuesday, September 24, 2019
11:00 a.m.
$10 (lunch included)
Meet in the Ministry Center
Golf Carts available for those who need a ride.
Lunch will be served by the St. Luke fountain weather permitting.
Otherwise, lunch will be served inside.
For reservations contact Kym at 706-327-4343 or email kym@stlukeum.com
RESERVATIONS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

ST. LUKE ACADEMY PRESENTS
The Gospel of Mark
A Biblical Journey
Sunday Nights, 5-7 PM
in The Corner (Youth Room, MIN)
Contact bmaddocks@stlukeum.com for information

COLLEGE HOUSE MINISTRIES
St. Luke College Ministry
(Ages 18-25)
Lisa Williams,
Director of College Ministry
lwilliams@stlukeum.com
Website
www.collegehouseministries.com

College House Fall Retreat 2019
October 11-13 in Panama City, FL
Cost is $90. Sign up online at
www.collegehouseministries.com
SUNDAY NIGHT LIGHTS IS HERE! September 15, September 22, September 29, and October 6 are going to be epic! Get ready to pack out the large dining room and invite, invite, invite every person you know to the biggest event of the year! 7 teams, 14 families, hundreds of students, tailgates, theme nights, football jerseys, worship, guest speakers, and so so much more!

Let’s get ready for the best year ever!

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.

UMCOR: In honor of Norris and Linda Randall and in memory of Rev. St. George Crosse by Mrs. Sylvia Powell.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mr. John Cartledge by Dr. and Mrs. Champ Baker.

Samaritan Fund: In honor of Norris and Linda Randall by Mrs. Annette Pollock. In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Norris Randall by Ms. Judy Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register.

Food Pantry: In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Norris Randall by Mrs. Fran Watt.

HPRC Fall Screening

September 18, 2019 - Right after Wednesday night supper

Falls are the leading cause of injury-related visits to emergency departments in the United States and the primary etiology of accidental deaths in persons over the age of 65 years. ... Risk factors for falls in the elderly include increasing age, medication use, cognitive impairment and sensory deficits.

-Respite Care-

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

Currently, more than 5 million Americans are living with Alzheimer’s; it is the 6th leading cause of death in the United States.

St Luke Respite Care is supporting our local Alzheimer’s Association in the annual Walk to End Alzheimer’s, and we would like for you to join us. You can support our team by making a donation to the Alzheimer’s Association for St Luke Strollers or join us in the Walk on Sept. 20.

The First Survivor of Alzheimer’s Disease is Out There.

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

SUNDAY NIGHT LIGHTS SPEAKERS

Sept. 8th Robbie Robison
Sept. 15th Brad Williams
Sept. 22nd Lee McBride
Sept. 29th Neil Gardner
Oct. 6th JMO