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## REDIGGING OLD WELLS

In the Book of Genesis we read the story of Isaac who moved to the Garar Valley and there he dug again the wells of water, which had first been dug in the time of Abraham his father. The Philistines had filled the old wells when Abraham left the area years before. Life-giving water still flowed underneath the desert, but new wells had to be dug if the water was to be accessed and life sustained.

I often think of this ancient story when I reflect on our journey of discipleship. All of us have been through times when we felt “spiritually dried out.” The good news is that our spiritual dryness does not mean the stream of God’s grace no longer exists. **The divine aquifer of grace is inexhaustibly deep!** Our dryness may be an indication that it is time to re-dig some old familiar wells and open new channels of God’s grace for our lives.

For some of us, it may be our participation in worship that needs to be renewed. There is no more immediate access to the renewing grace of God than faithful participation in corporate worship with the people of God.

For others of us, it may be time to dig deeper in the study of God’s word. Opportunities abound at St. Luke this fall for you to know the revitalizing grace of connecting with a family of faith in study and growth.

For many of us, it might be time to learn for the first time or to learn anew how to pray. This could be the ideal time for you to connect with a prayer partner, a prayer group or become a part of St. Luke’s prayer team and find a new well to God’s grace opened to you.

For still others of us, it may be time to make a new faith venture in fellowship. New relationships in a family of faith often prove to be the very channel of grace most needed in our lives.

Finally, for many in our congregation, it may be time to seek our place of service to others. In serving others, we not only give God’s grace, but we also receive that grace in abundance.

Wherever you are on your journey of discipleship, let me encourage you to dig some new wells of faith this fall that you may drink from the living waters of God’s grace and find your life renewed.

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

The 11:00 a.m. service is streamed at [www.stlukeum.com](http://www.stlukeum.com) and broadcast at WLTC 103.7 Lite FM  
Rebroadcast on WTVM Channel 9 at 10:00 a.m.

September 22, 2019

15th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Color: Green

Prelude (*Handbell Choir*)..... “The Morning Trumpet” .....arr. Derek Hakes

Welcome and Opening Prayer.....The Rev. Dr. Adriane Burgess

\*Hymn..... “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” .....Number 430

\*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 (*Chancel Choir*)..... “I Will Trust in the Lord” .....Lloyd Larson

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer ..... The 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..... “Dresden Amen” .....Johann Nauman

The Children’s Sermon..... 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..... “More Love to Thee, O Christ” .....Number 453

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

Offertory (*Handbell Choir*)..... “I Am a Poor Wayfaring Stranger” .....arr. Joel Raney

\*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.....Luke 16:1-13 (p.74, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word..... “**WHY FAITHFULNESS MATTERS**” .....The Rev. Burgess

\*Hymn..... “Jesus Calls Us” .....Number 398

\*The Benediction.....(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Reese (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Brett Maddocks

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

Postlude..... “Wayfaring Stranger” .....Improvisation

\**Standing as able.*

\*\* *Music Box*

\*\*\* *quick* means “living”; *catholic* means “universal”

**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](mailto:bmaddocks@stlukeum.com). Thank you for blessing us with your presence.

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## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

### Sunday, September 22

- 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) Life @ St. Luke (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 [saintlukecolumbus.org](http://saintlukecolumbus.org) 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. Sunday Night Lights (LD, MIN)  
St. Luke Academy (Corner Youth Room, MIN)
- 11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

### Monday, September 23

- 12 Noon Caregiver Support Group (Respite, 1021 Third Ave.)
- 6:30 p.m. Monday Night Women's Bible Study (Meeting Room, MIN)
- 7:30 p.m. College Small Groups (College House)

### Tuesday, September 24

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (SD, MIN)
- 9:30 a.m. Women in The Word Bible Study (Meeting Room, MIN)
- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 11:00 a.m. Free Spirits Downtown Tree Walk and Luncheon (MIN/Fountain)
- 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study, "The Jesus Who Surprises" (College House)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Bible Study (Room 110, Main)  
Bible Study Fellowship (MIN)

### Wednesday, September 25

- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 3:15 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Bible Study (The Corner Café, MIN)
- 4:30 p.m. College House Wednesday Small Groups (College House)
- 5:00 p.m. Hand Bell Rehearsal (Hand Bell Room)
- 5:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER (MIN)
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (Stockwell Hall, Main)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary, Main)
- 8:00 p.m. College House (College House)

### Thursday, September 26

- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 12:00 p.m. Free College Lunch (College House)
- 4:00 p.m. Volleyball Game - St. Luke vs. Calvary (Gym)
- 5:00 p.m. SLS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip Parent Meeting (Stockwell Hall, Main)
- 5:30 p.m. SLS Meet the High Schools (LD, MIN)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Praise Team Rehearsal (Chapel)

### Friday, September 27

- 8:45 a.m. Jr. K Touch-A-Truck Event (MIN Parking Lot)

**Main (Church Sanctuary), MIN (Ministry Center). Contact the Ministry Center for information about renting or reserving rooms, 706-256-1017.**

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### WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - September 25

**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](mailto:jwidener@stlukeum.com), or by calling 706-256-1017 before noon on Monday.

**Menu:** Fried chicken, monterey chicken, mixed vegetables, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls and assorted desserts.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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# MUSIC BOX

**Dr. Marc F. Boensel, Director of Music Ministries, [mboensel@stlukeum.com](mailto: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:** "Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, and lean not on your understanding; and in all of your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths. I will trust in the Lord till I die. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at his word, just to rest upon His promise, just to know 'Thus saith the Lord.' Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more."

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**WORSHIP IN SPANISH:** 12:20 p.m. worship in chapel, Rev. José D. Resto, Palabra Hablada: "La Batalla no es tuya si no de Dios". Palabra Escrita: 2 Crónicas 20:15.

**CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (THE NINE):** 9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, Rev. Brett Maddocks, preaching, "Why Faithfulness Matters", Luke 16:1-13.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Amos and their loved ones by Mrs. Sanders Wilder.

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

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY:** To Mr. Charles Curtis "Chuck" Stamey, Jr. in the death of his father, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul (Franny) Kilpatrick in the death of his brother-in-law, Dr. Charles Curtis Stamey, September 16, 2019, Cataula, GA.

**PHONE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** If you have 3-4 hours a month to volunteer and would like to be more involved at St. Luke, please consider being a phone volunteer. Kym Harden ([kym@stlukeum.com](mailto:kym@stlukeum.com)) will train you!

## 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](mailto:bmaddocks@stlukeum.com).

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# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

[www.cornerkidz.com](http://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), after the welcome.

**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.

**CORNER KIDZ (11:00 a.m.)** welcomes K-5th grade students. Children will be escorted to Stockwell Hall after the children's sermon. Please pick up your child in Stockwell Hall after the service.



## 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

Lunch 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](mailto:kym@stlukeum.com)

## NAOMI'S VILLAGE

HOPE BEGINS WHEN A CHILD BELONGS

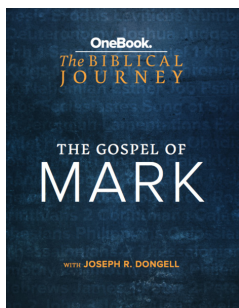
NAOMI'S VILLAGE/KENYA

July 14-24, 2020

Contact: Suzanne McCluskey

[sfmcccluskey@gmail.com](mailto:sfmcccluskey@gmail.com)

706-536-2439



## 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](mailto:bmaddocks@stlukeum.com)

for information

Registration Now Open at:

[www.saintlukeecolumbus.org](http://www.saintlukeecolumbus.org)



**October 11-13, 2019**



## COLLEGE HOUSE MINISTRIES

St. Luke College Ministry

(Ages 18-25)

Lisa Williams,

Director of College Ministry

[llwilliams@stlukeum.com](mailto:llwilliams@stlukeum.com)

Website

[www.collegehouseministries.com](http://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](http://www.collegehouseministries.com)

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## 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](mailto:maggie@stlukeum.com).

**Higher Education Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Mr. John Cartledge by Mr. and Mrs. Morris Plott, Mrs. Peggy Gindville, Mrs. Annette Pollock, Mr. Bryan Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. George Gordy, and Mr. Pete Robinson.

**Food Pantry:** In memory of Mr. John Cartledge by Ms. Barbara Rivers and Family.

**Memorial Maintenance Fund:** In memory of Mr. John Cartledge by Dr. and Mrs. Tommy Lawhorne. In memory of Mrs. Sara Harris by Janice Biggers and Allison Biggers Gardner.

**UMCOR:** In honor of the Discovery Sunday School Class by Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams.

**Respite Care:** In honor of the Respite Care Staff by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Crew.

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## -Respite Care-

“Caring for loved ones and caregivers”

Diane Hett, Director of Respite Ministry, 706-256-3117, [dhett@stlukeum.com](mailto:dhett@stlukeum.com)

**Caregiver Support Group meets Monday, September 23, noon – 1:30  
in the Respite Care Building, 1021 Third Avenue**

Each month a wonderful group of caregivers come together to share their joys, frustrations, and challenges in a safe, caring environment.

Family members and friends tell their stories of caring for loved ones and experience the concern of others who can honestly say "We understand". This group is open to the community.

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## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed**

Please consider giving an hour of time, one day a month to deliver meals.

If interested please contact Julie Widener at 706-256-1017

or [jwidener@stlukeum.com](mailto:jwidener@stlukeum.com).

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## **OUR PHONE NUMBERS**

Church Office, 706-327-4343 • Preschool, 706-327-4343

St. Luke School, 706-256-1301 • Early Learning Center, 706-322-2703

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

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## THE CORNER

Jonathan and Lisa Moore, Directors of Student Ministries,  
[jmoore@stlukeum.com](mailto:jmoore@stlukeum.com)

Sept. 8th Robbie Robison	Sept. 15th Brad Williams	Sept. 22nd Lee McBride	Sept. 29th Neil Gardner	Oct. 6th JMO
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**SUNDAY NIGHT LIGHTS IS HERE!** 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 !**

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