Consecration Sunday
November 17
A Call to Living with Glad and Generous Hearts

Every year we celebrate God’s blessings by consecrating our lives and financial resources to the ministry of Christ. As that act of consecration approaches this year, it takes on a new urgency in light of all the world’s events. In a world of terror, we are called to lifestyles of trust—trust in the goodness and power of God. In times of great fear, we are called to lifestyles of great faith—faith in the loving provision of God. In a climate of self-interest, we are called to lifestyles of sharing—sharing with others as God has shared his love with us. In a world of sorrow and greed, we are called to lifestyles of gladness and generosity. In a culture of death and destruction, we are called to lifestyles of devotion and discipleship.

Consecration Sunday gives us the opportunity to respond to a broken and hurting world with our commitments of healing love and faithful stewardship.

At St. Luke, our view of stewardship has always emphasized “our need to give” in response to God’s grace. If your experience is anything like mine, I have a greater need to give now than ever before. We have always emphasized the joyful privilege of giving, as opposed to some coercive sense of guilt. This year, in light of so much hatred and division in the world around us, we need to celebrate God’s goodness with all our might.

In preparation for Consecration Sunday, prayerfully consider how God is calling you to live faithfully in frightening times. Consider how God has blessed your life and what God would have you to give as an act of thankful stewardship. Ask one simple but profound question in your times of prayer this week: “God, what percentage (%) of my income would you have me to give for the cause of Christ in the year ahead?”

Plan to join your church family in worship on Consecration Sunday, as we celebrate the privilege of sharing in the ministry of Christ with glad and generous hearts!

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor
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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 WTV Channel 9 at 10:00 a.m.

November 17, 2019                             Consecration Sunday

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

Prelude........................................... “Toccata and Fugue in D Minor” ................. J.S. Bach

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

*Hymn................................................ “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” .................Number 89

*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., Chancel Choir)... “Lord, I Know I Been Changed” ....arr. Larry Shackley

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer...............................Rev. Brett Maddocks

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.)......“Threefold Amen” .........................Philip Baker

The Children’s Sermon.................................................................Mrs. 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................................................ “Take My Life, and Let It Be” .................Number 399

Offertory Prayer..............................................................................................Rev. Robert Beckum

Offertory................................................ “Give Me Jesus” ..............................arr. Mark Hayes

(Marc Boensel, baritone and Kenneth Bailey, accompanist)

*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...........................................................John 6:1-15 (p. 91 NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word........... “MONEY, MINISTRY AND MIRACLES” ...............Rev. Beckum

*Hymn.............................. “Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service” ........Number 581

*The Benediction.............................................................Rev. Beckum

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

Postlude .......................... “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” .............................. Improvisation

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

Acolytes (11:00 a.m.): Trinity McAfee and Weezie Turner.
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WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - November 20

Program: Rev. Robert 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, roasted pork loin, corn, baby carrots, rice, salad, rolls and assorted desserts.

Name: __________________________________________

Adults ($7.00) _______ Children ($3.00) _______ Daytime Phone: ________________________________

Email: __________________________________________

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WORSHIP IN SPANISH: 12:20 p.m. worship in chapel, Rev. Dr. José Resto, Palabra Hablada: “Párate en la Roca.” Palabra Escrita: Lucas 6:48.


ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mary Pat Beckum for her birthday by Robert, Jonathan, and Leeann Beckum.

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.
**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) 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.

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**First Saturday IS December 7**
**There are many ways to help!**

**Volunteer or Donate**
*New Toys - New Shoes/Soxks - New Sweatshirts or Money to help buy needed items.*

**See insert for more information**

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**ST LUKE ORCHESTRA** We need another percussionist in the St. Luke Orchestra. If you have the skills and would like to play please contact Jim Evans at 706-366-5626.

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**ST. LUKE PRESCHOOL** is looking for Substitute Teachers in our half day (9AM-1PM) program! If you have a love for young children and a desire to minister to them through Christian education, please send your resume to Allison Beatty – abeatffy@stlukeum.com or give us a call at 706-327-4343.

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**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.

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**ST LUKE’S VILLAGE/KENYA**

**July 14-24, 2020**

Contact: Suzanne McCluskey
sfmccluskey@gmail.com
or 706-536-2439

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**ST. LUKE FREE SPIRITS**

**Christmas Music Extravaganza and Luncheon**

Tuesday, December 3, 2019
11:30 a.m. (Ministry Center)
Cost: $12 Plated Meal
Reservation Kym at 706-327-4343 or email kym@stlukeum.com

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**Passion 2020**

with College House

December 31-January 2

Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta, GA

Sign up online at www.collegehouseministries.com

Total cost is $220

(Includes ticket, hotel, transportation, t-shirt, and most meals)
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.

Fountain Area Restoration Fund: In memory of Mrs. Martha Cunningham by Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Robert PoydaSheff, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kenimer, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Butler, Ms. Rebecca Duggan, Mr. Bill Dillard, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Y. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Chancellor III, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Calhoun, Dr. and Mrs. Tommy Lawhorne, Mrs. Jill R. Mullin, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thomas, Ms. Janice Persons Biggers, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Key, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ammerman, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McFadden, and Dr. and Mrs. Hollis Daniel Sigman.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mrs. Sara Lou Yarbrough by Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Robert PoydaSheff, Mr. John B. Zachry, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Middlebrooks, and Mr. Rembert Houser. In memory of Mr. Larry Neal, Mrs. Sara Lou Yarbrough, and Mr. David Cartledge by Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kenimer. In memory of Mr. Larry Neal and Mr. Gordon “Butch” Estes by Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Graham. In memory of Mrs. Jane Loftin by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wolf, Ms. Martha Dalton, Mr. Mark Flood and Rebecca Dalton, and Mr. Harry Dalton and Kathie Brabham. In memory of Mr. Larry Neal by Ms. Allison Biggers Gardner, Judge and Mrs. Warner L. Kennon, Mrs. Patty Branch Robinson, Ms. Josephine Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Christopher, and Mr. and Mrs. Hank Page.

Respite Care: In memory of Mr. Larry Neal and Mr. David Cartledge by Mrs. Kathy Riley.

Youth Fund: In memory of Mr. Larry Neal by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jarrell.

Naomi’s Village: In memory of Mrs. Martha Cunningham by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jarrell, Mr. Pete Robinson, Callier-Witt CPAs, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Norris.

Christie Garden Fund: In memory of Mrs. Martha Cunningham, Mr. Larry Neal, and Mr. David Cartledge by Dr. and Mrs. Champ Baker.

Music Scholarship Fund: In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register by Mrs. Joanne Cavis.

General Fund: In memory of Mrs. Sara Lou Yarbrough by the Compass Rose Condominium Association.

Food Pantry: In memory of Mrs. Martha Cunningham by Mrs. Nan Pate.

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

November is National Caregivers Month, and the theme for this year is - “Caregiving Around the Clock”
We all know people who are caring for a loved one. It is said that there is no more exhausting or rewarding job. As friends and church family, it’s a good time to offer support and help, giving them time to care for themselves.

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

PUT THESE DATES ON THE FRIDGE:
Nov. 22-24: DNOW “Champion”
Sign up today at wwwthecornerstudents.com
Dec. 1: 5 - 8PM
Annual Bonfire at the Neal Farm
Dec. 15: 5 - 7PM
Corner/Crosswalk Christmas Party

Close to 300 people will be involved in our DNOW weekend! Please be in prayer for God to move in a big way!