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ST. LUKE LENTEN JOURNEY

Lent is a forty day season of prayer, fasting, study and reflection in which we prepare our hearts for the journey to the cross and to Easter. During these days, we are asking God to deepen our individual faith journeys and to direct St. Luke into even more faithful paths of discipleship and service. In order that we make take this journey together, I want to provide you a scriptural road map of our journey in worship for the weeks ahead. We begin our Lenten journey on Ash Wednesday, February 26.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30 in the Sanctuary
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

We continue our journey on the five Sundays during March with stories of
“Encounters with Jesus.”

March 1---Jesus’ Encounter with the Tempter
Matthew 4:1-11

March 8---Jesus’ Encounter with Nicodemus
John 3:1-17

March 15---Jesus’ Encounter with the Samaritan Woman at the Well
John 4:5-42

March 22---Jesus’ Encounter with the Man Born Blind
John 9:1-41

Afternoon (4:00 p.m. Service of Confirmation in the Ministry Center)
March 29---Jesus’ Encounter with Lazarus at the Tomb
John 11:1-41

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY

April 5---Palm Sunday Matthew 21:1-11

Holy Wednesday Meal and Devotion---5:30 St. Luke Ministry Center

Maundy Thursday Communion---7:00 St. Luke Sanctuary

Good Friday---Rutter’s “Requiem” 7:00 St. Luke Sanctuary

April 12---Easter Sunday Matthew 28:1-10

Each Wednesday evening during Lent, Dr. Adriane Burgess will lead us in devotions entitled “At the Table,” recounting the most memorable of Jesus’ teachings at the dinner table.

Through all of these services, I pray that you will know God’s blessing and realize a closer walk with the Savior.

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 WTVM Channel 9 at 10:00 a.m.

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Transfiguration Sunday

Prelude..... “Fantasia in C”William Byrd

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

*Hymn..... “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”Number 173

*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*)..... “Jesus Is The Living Stone”Mary McDonald

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..... “Danish Amen”anon.

The Children’s Sermon.....Rev. Maddocks

After the Children’s Sermon, children who are in Kindergarten-5th grade are invited to go to Corner Kidz for a time of extended worship. Parents pick them up in Stockwell Hall when this service is completed.

*Hymn..... “Be Thou My Vision”Number 451

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

Offertory (*Shana Montieth, soprano*)..... “Abide with Me”arr. Mark Hayes

*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.....Matthew 17:1-9 (p.17, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word..... “**MOUNTAINTOP PERSPECTIVE**”Rev. Beckum

*Hymn..... “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”Number 103

*The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

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

Postlude “Immortal, Invisible”Improvisation

**Standing as able*

** *Music Box*

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

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, February 23

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)
- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (LD, 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)
Confirmation Class (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)
- 4:00 p.m. St. Luke Chambers Players Concert (Sanctuary, Main)
- 5:00 p.m. St. Luke Academy (Meeting Room, MIN)
Combined Corner/Youth (The Corner, MIN)
- 11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine Worship Service, WTVM Channel 9

Monday, February 24

- 12:00 p.m. Community Caregiver Support (1021 Third Ave.)
- 6:30 p.m. Monday Night Women's Bible Study (Meeting Room)
- 7:30 p.m. College House Bible Study (College House)

Tuesday, February 25

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (SD, MIN)
- 9:30 a.m. Women in the Word (Meeting Room, MIN)
- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 11:30 a.m. Free Spirits Luncheon (LD, MIN)
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship (Ministry Center)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Bible Study (Room 110, Main)

Wednesday, February 26

- 8:35 a.m. SLS Chapel 4th-8th Grades (Sanctuary, Main)
- 9:10 a.m. SLS K-3rd Chapel (Sanctuary, Main)
- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 10:15 a.m. Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary, Main)
- 3:15 p.m. Middle School Boys Bible Study (The Corner Cafe, MIN)
5th Grade Boys Bible Study (SWAG Room, MIN)
- 4:30 p.m. College House Small Groups (College House)
- 5:00 p.m. The Talk/Girls (SD, MIN)
- 5:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER (MIN)
- 6:15 p.m. Cub Scouts (Stockwell Hall, Main)
- 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary, Main)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary, Main)
- 8:00 p.m. College House (College House)

Thursday, February 27

- 8:30 a.m. Lisa Moore's Bible Study (Meeting Room, MIN)
- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 12:00 p.m. Free College Lunch (College House)
- 3:00 p.m. SLS Drama Kids (Kids Corner Room, MIN)
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Orchestra Dinner and Pops Concert (LD, Main)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Praise Team Rehearsal (Chapel, Main)

Saturday, February 29

- 8:30 a.m. SLS Math Tournament (LD, MIN)

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

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - February 26

Doors open at **5:30 p.m.** The serving line is open until **6:30 p.m.** Please make or cancel reservations by using the form below, by e-mailing jwidener@stlukeum.com, or by calling 706-256-1017 before Monday at noon.

Menu: Fried chicken, chicken and sausage jambalaya, red beans and rice, rolls, salad 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

The **Music Scholarship Fund** assists seven students from Columbus State with expenses related to their study of music. All of these students sing in our Chancel Choir at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and are a vital part of the Music Ministry. Please consider supporting the Music Scholarship Fund so that St. Luke can continue to assist these students with their music educations.

The **Masterwork Chorale** will begin rehearsals on March 1 at 12:15 p.m. in the Choir Room. For more information, contact Marc Boensel. The Masterwork Chorale will join the Chancel Choir on Good Friday, singing the Rutter "Requiem."

The **St. Luke Chamber Players** will be in concert this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, featuring music for string orchestra by Handel, Mozart, Holst, Vaughan Williams, and others. Donations accepted at the door to help fund future concerts in the Chamber Music Series.

Today's Anthem: See **1 Peter 2:4-8**.

WORSHIP IN SPANISH: 12:20 p.m. worship in Chapel, Rev. Dr. Jose D. Resto preaching. Palabra Escrita: Mateo 6:5-13. Palabra Hablada: "Jesús nos enseña a orar."

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (THE NINE): 9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, Rev. Brett Maddocks preaching, Matthew 17:1-9, "Your Kingdom Come: Kingdom Reality."

ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jane Hardaway Loflin by Jim and Beth Vech.

OPEN FLOWER DATES: Please contact Maggie Roberson at maggie@stlukeum.com to reserve available dates, March 8, 22, 29, April 26, May 3, June 28, July 5, 19, August 16, 23, and 30.

OUR KNOWN SICK: Piedmont Midtown (Columbus): Fred Mitchell, 1028, Rebecca Loftin, 910. **Regional Rehab (Phenix City):** Robynel Harden, 205.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Mary Anne Willis
February 16, 2020

Mrs. Gloria Ramos
February 14, 2020

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 gym) after the welcome for a children's service designed specifically for them!

SUNDAY SCHOOL is held in the main church building. Our greeters will help you and your child find their Sunday School class. Parents may 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 for teaching and activities tailored to their ages. Please pick up your child in Stockwell Hall after the service.

OPEN DOOR CLASSIC 5K

Join St. Luke in supporting our partner ministry Open Door Community House. Participants in the annual Open Door Classic 5K on March 21st will help provide vital community ministries that break the cycle of poverty for families. Register online at www.odch.org and be sure to select St. Luke for your church/sponsor affiliation. Paper registration sheets are available at St. Luke's Welcome Desk. You may make additional donations online when you register, or you can make a donation to St. Luke Church, designated for "Open Door." For further information, contact Rev. Dr. Adriane Burgess at aburgess@stlukeum.com or 706-327-4343.

OUR CLERGY STAFF

Rev. Robert Beckum
Senior Minister

Rev. Brett Maddocks
Associate Pastor

Rev. Dr. Adriane Burgess
Associate Pastor

Rev. Dick Reese
Minister of Pastoral Care

Rev. Dr. José Resto
Hispanic Ministries

Bishop James King
Bishop in Residence



AT THE TABLE

During Wednesday Night Suppers, we will observe Lent through a study series entitled "At the Table." In the 1st century Roman Empire, meals were an inevitable display of social and political standing. In present day, meals continue to convey status and shape the way we relate to our community. Jesus used mealtimes to teach his disciples a new way of relating to their community. At each Wednesday supper, Rev. Dr. Adriane Burgess will guide a reflection of the most memorable of Jesus' teachings at the dinner table. We will start Wednesday, March 4th at 5:30 pm in the Ministry Center. See you at the table!

St. Luke Free Spirits FEBRUARY LUNCHEON THE BRYAN CANONIGO QUARTET

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

11:30 a.m. (MIN)

Cost: \$10

For reservations contact Kym at
706-327-4343 or email

kym@stlukeum.com



Come dressed in
Mardi Gras attire!



CONFIRMATION

Important Dates:

March 12-15th: Confirmation Retreat
(Epworth By the Sea/Savannah)
March 22nd: Confirmation Sunday
and Dinner

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 memory of Mrs. Susan Martin by Mr. and Mrs. George Mize.

Samaritan Fund: In honor of Mr. Doyle Register by The New Beginnings Circle.

Music Scholarship Fund: In memory of Mr. Sonny Ward by The Fellowship/ Jesus is Lord Class and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register.

St. Luke Orchestra Fund: In memory of Mr. Sonny Ward by Ms. Anleone Evans.

Music Fund: In memory of Mr. Sonny Ward by the St. Luke Orchestra and Mr. and Mrs. Roderick C. Hunter.

Meals on Wheels Fund: In memory of Mr. James White by Mr. and Mrs. Len Sexton and Mrs. Annette Pollock.

Food Pantry: In memory of Mr. Sonny Ward by Mr. Billy Cunningham.

-Respite Care-

“Caring for loved ones and caregivers”

[Kathryn Fussell, Director \(706\) 256-3117, kfussell@stlukeum.com](mailto:kfussell@stlukeum.com)

Tips for Caregivers: Recognize your feelings of sadness, stress, anxiety, anger, guilt, grief, and frustration; these are normal. Talk to others about your feelings. Join a support group to gain insight from others who are experiencing the same things.

*The St. Luke Caregiver Support Group meets
Wednesday Feb. 26, 1:00 – 2:00, Conference Room.*

Ministry Opportunities at the St. Luke Early Learning Center

The ELC is seeking individuals eager to serve God by serving others. We currently have both full-time and part-time positions available. If you have experience with children and a love for Christ, I would love to talk with you. Please contact Sherry Carr, Director of the ELC @ 706-322-2703.



THE CORNER

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

Sunday Nights

Engaging and fun environment for Middle and High School Students. We will use both bands like we used to and have worship/games and messages relevant to all ages. Small groups will be age-specific and will drill down on truths in a more age-specific way.

Middle School Homeboys and Middle School Girls Bible Studies

Lisa Moore and the Middle School girls will continue their awesome Bible study at Iron Bank on Wednesdays.

Jonathan and JJ will continue to disciple Middle School Homeboys on Wednesdays after school as well.

April 11

St. Luke Spring Super Serve Day... More than a dozen service projects will be held all over the city. We are called to take care of these orphans and widows and be a help to the least of these. Missional ministry is essential for our spiritual growth.

April 19

Six Flags!!! Everyone is invited, but the Lesters/Beatty Sunday Night Lights Team goes for free! We will leave right after the 9:00 a.m. service and get home late!

June 1

Eight interns arrive and age-and-gender-specific small groups begin and last all summer! We invest heavily in discipleship and community at The Corner and St. Luke!

June 1-5

Souled Out Summer! We leave at 9:00 a.m. on June 1st and spend the week worshipping, playing, being disciplined in age-and-gender-specific small groups, and growing in our relationship with Christ. Souled Out Summer is at Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center!
