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St. Luke Embodies the Grace of Christ Through Generosity

Did you know that St. Luke bears the largest share of support for the common mission of our United Methodist Church of any congregation in the South Georgia Annual Conference? Our District and Conference apportionments totaled \$430,000. The wake of St. Luke's influence for Christ is both deep and wide in South Georgia and throughout the world!

In addition to our apportionments, St. Luke gave \$215,000 in second mile giving for international mission including: support of four missionary families, partnership with Naomi's Village in Kenya, short term missions in Mexico, and U.M.C.O.R. (United Methodist Committee on Relief).

At the same time, members of St. Luke gave \$471,000 for local ministries of compassion including: the Samaritan Fund, Food Pantry, December First Saturday, First Saturday every month throughout the year, Meals on Wheels, F.A.N.N. (Friends and Neighbor Network), S.A.W. (Servants at Work), Open Door, The Methodist Home for Children and Youth, Congregational Assistance program, Covenant Congregations Program at the Pastoral Institute, and Respite Care.

Through all these areas of ministry, your giving embodies the grace of Jesus for literally thousands of people. The really great news in this new year is that members of St. Luke have pledged \$109,000 MORE than was pledged for 2019! Your generosity is an incredible witness for Christ in these uncertain times. It is a declaration that come what may, we are committed to being Christ's church at the corner of Second Avenue in Columbus and throughout the world.

Giving helps us become the people God wants us to be. Truly, giving is not merely about the church's need for money but about a disciple's need to grow in generosity. Generosity is a fruit of the Spirit, a sign of spiritual vitality and growth. God uses our giving to change the world for God's purposes, and God uses our giving to reconfigure our interior lives and change us. Thanks be to God for the grace at work among us and for the response of gratitude and generosity which so mark the path of discipleship here at St. Luke.

I am grateful to God to be a part of this incredible journey of faith with you.

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor

rbeckum@stlukeum.com

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.

February 9, 2020

5th Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude..... “Variants on a Shaped Note Tune”Johnnie Vinson

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

*Hymn..... “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”Number 127

*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*)..... “With Each Passing Moment”Joseph Martin

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.....Rev. Brett 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..... “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”Number 206

Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Maddocks

Offertory..... “Goin Home”Antonin Dvorak/arr. Villanueva

*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 5:13-20 (p. 4, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word..... “**SHAKEN AND LIT**”Rev. Beckum

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

*The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

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

Postlude (8:30 a.m.)..... “Walk in the Light”arr. David Blackwell

(11:00 a.m.)..... “Little Fugue”J.S. Bach/arr. Custer

**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. Thank you for blessing us with your presence.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, February 9

- 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)
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)
- 2:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby (Stockwell Hall, 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 10

- 12 Noon SLPA Leadership Meeting (Meeting Room)
- 6:30 p.m. Monday Night Women's Bible Study (Meeting Room)
- 7:30 p.m. College House Bible Study (College House)

Tuesday, February 11

- 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.)
- 10:30 a.m. New Beginnings Circle (Room 110)
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship (Ministry Center)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Bible Study (Room 110, Main)

Wednesday, February 12

- 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)
- 1:15 p.m. SGAC Local Arrangements Meeting (Conference Room)
- 3:15 p.m. Middle School Boys Bible Study (The Corner Cafe, MIN)
5th Grade Boys Bible Study (SWAG Room, MIN)
- 5:00 p.m. Hand Bell Rehearsal (Hand Bell Room, Main)
The Talk/Boys (SD, MIN)
- 5:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER (MIN)
- 6:15 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, February 13

- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 12:00 p.m. Free College Lunch (College House)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Praise Team Rehearsal (Chapel, Main)

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 12

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, honey baked ham, squash casserole, scalloped potatoes, salad, rolls and assorted desserts.

Name: _____

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

Email: _____

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. Donations can be placed in the offering and marked 'Music Scholarship.'

You are invited to join the **Masterwork Chorale**, which will begin rehearsals on March 1 at 12:15 p.m. in the Choir Room. The Masterwork Chorale will rehearse the Rutter "Requiem" and present with the Chancel Choir on Good Friday. For more information, contact Marc Boensel.

Looking Ahead: Mark your calendars for the next concert by the *St. Luke Chamber Players* on Sunday afternoon, February 23, at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This concert will feature works for string orchestra from the Baroque through the 20th century. Free with an offering taken at the door to support future concerts.

Thank you to our guest organist, **Robin Erickson**, for playing for us today. Ken Bailey will return next Sunday.

WORSHIP IN SPANISH: 12:20 p.m. worship in Chapel, Rev. Dr. Jose D. Resto, preaching. Palabra Escrita: Mateo 5:13-20. Palabra Hablada: "Somos la Sal y la Luz del Mundo."

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (THE NINE): 9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, Rev. Brett Maddocks, preaching, Matthew 5:13-20 "Salt, Light and God's Kingdom."

ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. Mildred Castellow Edge and Mr. Richard Castellow Edge on the occasion of their birthdays by Mrs. Richard C. Edge.

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: Regional Midtown (Columbus): Robynel Harden, 1001. **Jack Hughston Memorial:** Paul Groneman, 405.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Robert Alton "Sonny" Ward, Jr.
January 29, 2020

Mr. James Grover White
February 4, 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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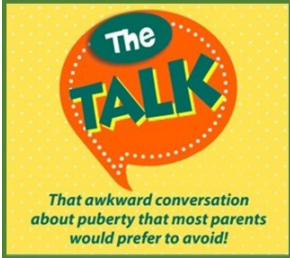
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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.



THE TALK

presented by Right From The Start

All 5th and 6th grade students are invited
\$30 per child, includes dinner for parent and child

All sessions require a parent to be present
Space is limited to 10 students per session

Register now at www.cornerkidz.com

Boy Session: 2/12 Girl Sessions: 2/19 & 2/26 (FULL)

Curriculum for "The Talk" is made by Wonderfully Made.

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.

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 5th 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!

New Beginnings Women's Group

Valentine Tea

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Room 110

Mission Fund: Samaritan Fund



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.

Ignite Fund: In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hollingsworth by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Norman, Jr.

Two by Two Class Fund: In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hidle by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Norman, Jr.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mrs. Jean Amos, Mr. Larry Neal, Mr. Gordon "Butch" Estes, Mrs. Jane Loflin, Mrs. Martha Cunningham, and Mr. John Cartledge by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Norman, Jr.

Children's Ministry: In honor of Mr. Joel Wooten by Chief Judge and Mrs. Gil McBride.

Music Fund: In memory of Mr. Sonny Ward by Mr. and Mrs. Rick Anthony and the St. Luke Chancel Choir.

Music Scholarship Fund: In memory of Mr. Sonny Ward by Mrs. Peggy Gindville. In memory of Mr. Paul Singer and Mr. Sonny Ward by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sigmund.

Higher Education Scholarship Fund: In memory of Lynn Harp by Mrs. Peggy Gindville.

-Respite Care-

"Caring for loved ones and caregivers"

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

Do you care for a loved one who cannot be left alone?

Caregiving can be both loving and challenging.

For over 20 years, St Luke Respite Care has provided relief for caregivers by offering three days of affordable care in a home like environment. Trained staff and volunteers plan a variety of activities that are designed to meet individual needs.

Your loved one will benefit from the stimulation and socialization while you enjoy time for yourself. To learn more about this community ministry, call us at 706-256-3117.

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



THE CORNER

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

The Corner/Crosswalk Winter Retreat - PURE 2020

With over 100 of us going to the mountains this is one of our favorite retreats of the year! High Schoolers are skiing, tubing or ice skating and Middle Schoolers are tubing or ice skating! High school students are going to Fun Depot and riding go carts, playing video games and being BIG KIDS on Sunday and Middle Schoolers are doing the same the day before on Saturday! Lee McBride is bringing the message and Jake Hess, Mallory Wood, Sarah Ashton Copelan, JJ Harrison are all leading worship! It's DNOW IN THE MOUNTAINS...This is a new weekend for us and I know we are going to make some NEW MEMORIES AND TRADITIONS!!! Go God! DON'T MISS THIS AMAZING RETREAT!

Boston Butt Fundraiser - Student Ministry Foreign Missions Experience

Plan to purchase a delicious Boston Butt before or after The Nine and before or after the 11 o'clock services! These Boston Butts are succulent and they are fully cooked and ready for your table for only \$30! This is a tremendous fundraiser and we desperately need funds to send 30 people to Ensenada, Mexico to build a house for a needy family and share the gospel through VBS in a local church all week! This is a Win/Win and a wonderful way to support our students on mission!
