SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST
College House (1030 2nd Ave.)
Please drop in to meet
ANJI SISLER
Naomi’s Village/Cornerstone Scholarship Program Coordinator
for lunch, fellowship and a presentation at
12:00 Noon
Contact Suzanne McCluskey
at sfmccluskey@gmail.com.
March 8, 2020
2nd Sunday in Lent

Prelude.......................................Prelude on “Lancashire”.................................Steve Dunn
(St. Luke Orchestra - Jim Evans, Conductor)

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

*Hymn....................................... “The God of Abraham Praise”................................Number 116

“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.

**Anthem (Chancel Choir)............ “Must Jesus Bear the Cross” ................arr. Joseph Martin

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.........................................................Dr. Rev. Adriane Burgess
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............................................. “To God Be the Glory” ...................................Number 98

Offertory Prayer......................................................................................................Rev. Burgess

Offertory (SLO)..................................... “Abide With Me” ..................................arr. Jay Dawson

*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 3:1-17 (p. 88, NT in pew Bible)

Postlude (8:30 a.m.)................. “Toccata on Lift High the Cross” ............arr. David C. Brinson
(11:00 a.m., SLO)..................................... “Finale from the Firebird Suite” ............Stravinsky

**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.
**O P P O R T U N I T I E S  O F  T H E  W E E K**

**Sunday, March 8**
- 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

**Monday, March 9**
- 1:30 p.m. Executive Staff Meeting (Conference Room, Main)
- 6:30 p.m. Monday Night Women’s Bible Study (Meeting Room)
- 7:30 p.m. College House Bible Study (College House)

**Tuesday, March 10**
- 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, Main)
- 2:00 p.m. SLS NJHS Induction (LD, MIN)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Bible Study (Room 110, Main)

**Wednesday, March 11**
- 8:45 a.m. SLS Combined Chapel (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
- 10:15 a.m. Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary, Main)
- 11:15 a.m. SGA Local Arrangements Committee Meeting (Conference Room, Main)
- 3:15 p.m. Middle School Boys Bible Study (The Corner Cafe, MIN)
- 4:30 p.m. College House Small Groups (College House)
- 5:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Room)
- 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, March 12**
- 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)
- 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Praise Team Rehearsal (Chapel, Main)

**Saturday, March 14**
- 6:30 p.m. SLS Father/Daughter Dance (LD, MIN)

**NEW BEGINNINGS CIRCLE MEETING:** Tuesday, March 10, 10:30 a.m. in Room 110. Celebrating St. Patrick’s Day. Our guest speaker is Rose King (wife of Bishop King). Mission: Truth Springs Academy.

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**WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER - March 11**

Program: At the Table with Rev. Dr. Adriane Burgess

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, fried shrimp, cheese grits, 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

The Music Scholarship Fund assists eight students from Columbus State University 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 education. Donations can be placed in the offering and marked ‘Music Scholarship.’

The Music Ministry welcomes new vocal and instrumental members throughout the year. No auditions are required. Please contact Marc Boensel at the e-mail address above or at 706-256-2682.

Today's Anthem: “Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free? No, there’s a cross for everyone and there’s a cross for me. Jesus walked His lonesome valley. He had to walk it by Himself. O, nobody else could walk it for Him, He had to walk it by himself. Jesus bore His cross of sorrow, He bore His cross to Calvary. O, nobody else could bear it for Him, He bore the cross for you and me. My Jesus bore His cross alone so all could be set free. Now I will lift the cross of Jesus, and share it faithfully. He bore the cross for you and me.”


CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (THE NINE): 9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, Rev. Brett Maddocks preaching, John 3:1-17, “Jesus’ Encounter with Nicodemus.”

ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God by the Discovery Class.

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

OUR KNOWN SICK: Piedmont Midtown (Columbus): Fred Mitchell, ICU 7th floor #2.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. and Mrs. David G. (Shannon) Lewis III and family in the death of his mother, Mrs. Margaret O’Neal Lewis, February 28, 2020, Columbus, GA.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott (Amanda) Allen in the death of his father, Mr. Frank George Allen, on February 29, 2020, Goffstown, NH.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Norma) Butler in the death of her father, Rev. Ted Bass, March 1, Macon, GA.

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!
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 p.m. in the Ministry Center. See you at the table!

EASTER SUNDAY CHILDREN’S CHOIR
Performance on Sunday, April 12th at all 3 services
Practices are 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5 and children must commit to at least 3 out of 6 practices to perform. There are practices for those who attend the Nine and 11:00 a.m. services. If you attend the Nine, your child will practice during CornerKidz. If you attend the 11:00 a.m. service you will practice 11:50 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
If you would like to sign your child up for this Easter choir, please text Mary Pat Beckum at 229.942.6909 or email her at jrbeckum@aol.com.

SAVE THE DATE
Easter Egg Hunt - April 5 (Location TBA)
SLSC - June 15-19, Camp Lee, Anniston, AL
VBS - July 20-24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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.

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.

CONFIRMATION
Important Dates:
March 12-15: Confirmation Retreat (Epworth by the Sea/Savannah)
March 22: 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 Mr. Larry Neal by Mr. and Mrs. James McVay.
Music Fund: In memory of Mr. Sonny Ward by Mrs. Mary Bass. In memory of Mrs. Carolyn Harris, Mr. Jim White, and Mr. Sonny Ward by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holton.
Music Scholarship Fund: In memory of Mrs. Mary Anne Willis by Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register. In memory of Mrs. Carolyn Harris and Mr. Sonny Ward by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Montgomery.
Respite Care Fund: In memory of Mrs. Mary Anne Willis by Mrs. Mary Bass and Mrs. Annette Pollock.
Fellowship/JIL Class Fund: In memory of Mrs. Sonny Ward and Mrs. Mary Anne Willis by Mrs. Sylvia Powell.
Hispanic Ministry: In memory of Mrs. Gloria Ramos by Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams.
Samaritan Fund: In memory of Mrs. Mary Anne Willis by Mrs. Gere Taylor.
Open Door Walk Classic: In memory of Rev. Gaston Pollock by Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Newman.
Altar Guild: In memory of Mrs. Susan Martin and Mr. Gordon “Butch” Estes by Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Fay.

-Respite Care-
“Caring for loved ones and caregivers”
Kathryn Fussell, Director (706) 256-3117, kfussell@stlukeum.com

TIPS FOR HEALTHY AGING - LIVE AN ACTIVE LIFE
Regular exercise is one of the greatest keys to physical and mental wellbeing. Living an active life will help you stay fit enough to maintain your independence to go where you want to and perform your own activities. Regular exercise may prevent or even provide relief from many common chronic conditions, including heart disease, diabetes, depression, and arthritis, to name a few.

Tips: The key is to stay active, so do something you will enjoy. If you are not the type of person who will stick to a regular gym routine, go on a walk or ride your bike every day instead. Try to incorporate aerobic, balance, and muscle strengthening activities into your routine. Think about what works best for you, consult your doctor, and get moving!

Register online at www.odch.org and be sure to select St. Luke for your church/ sponsor affiliation. For further information, contact Rev. Dr. Adriane Burgess at aburgess@stlukeum.com or 706-327-4343.

-DATES TO SAVE-
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.

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 1-5
Souled Out Summer! We leave at 9:00 a.m. on June 1st and spend the week worshiping, playing, being discipled in age- and gender-specific small groups, and growing in our relationship with Christ. Souled Out Summer is at Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center!