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A Personal Word Concerning the Beckums in May

Mary Pat and I are very grateful for your many expressions of love and for your prayers in these days. As you read this, you will realize that we have the “green light” to proceed with my surgery this week at Emory, by which doctors will perform a robotic repair of my heart’s mitral valve. The surgery is scheduled for the early morning of Wednesday, April 29. Projections are 3-4 days of hospitalization, a couple more days in Atlanta, and 3-4 weeks of recuperation at home. I look forward to days of renewed health and energy ahead. Again, I am most grateful for your prayers.

Bishop Lawson Bryan has asked all United Methodist Churches in South Georgia to continue in virtual worship gatherings at least through May 13th, the end of the governor’s current state of emergency order. We will reassess our worship and campus situation after that date. So, please plan to continue joining your St. Luke Family of Faith for Sunday worship each week:

9:00 a.m. Streaming of the Contemporary service www.saintlukecolumbus.org

10:00 a.m. Broadcast of the Traditional Sunday service on WTVM Channel 9

11:00 a.m. Streaming of the Traditional service www.saintlukecolumbus.org

11:30 p.m. Re-broadcast of the 9:00 Contemporary service on WTVM Channel 9

I have high confidence that I leave you in the capable hands of Brett Maddocks, Adriane Burgess and Dick Reese as they continue their wonderfully effective ministries in these days.

Preaching Schedule for May

May 3 - 9:00 a.m. Brett Maddocks; 11:00 a.m. Adriane Burgess

May 10 - (Mother’s Day) 9:00 a.m. Brett Maddocks

11:00 a.m. Adriane Burgess

May 17 - (Video Recognition of Graduates) 9:00 a.m. Brett Maddocks

11:00 a.m. Adriane Burgess

May 24 - (Aldersgate Sunday) 9:00 a.m. Adriane Burgess

11:00 a.m. Brett Maddocks

May 31 - (Pentecost Sunday) Rev. Steve Patton

(Our District Superintendent) 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

The 11:00 a.m. service is streamed at www.saintlukecolumbus.org and broadcast at WLTC 103.7 Lite FM • Broadcast on WTVM Channel 9 at 10:00 a.m.

May 3, 2020

4th Sunday of Easter

Prelude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “Glorify Thy Name”arr. Mark Hayes

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

Hymn..... “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”Dr. Marc Boensel

Epistle Lesson 1 Peter 2:19-25.....Rev. Brett Maddocks

The Affirmation of Faith..... “The Apostles’ Creed”.....Rev. Maddocks

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 “The People that Walked In Darkness”G.F. Handel
(*Marc Boensel and Ken Bailey*)

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer.....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.

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

Hymn..... “In The Cross of Christ I Glory”Dr. Boensel

Call to Congregational PrayerRev. Burgess

Prayer Offertory (*Ken Bailey*)..... “More Precious Than Silver”.....arr. Mark Hayes

The Written Word.....John 10:1-10

The Spoken Word..... **“LOOKING FOR A WAY FORWARD”**Rev. Burgess

Hymn..... “He Leadeth Me”Dr. Boensel

The Benediction.....Rev. Burgess

Postlude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “It is Well with My Soul”arr. Brian C. Howell

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

Prayer Calendars

If you would like a prayer calendar mailed to you please call the church office @ 706-327-4343.



GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever will be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. *Refrain*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY

In the cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time;
all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'er take me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me. Lo! It glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

In the cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time;
all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

HE LEADETH ME

He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain: He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand He leadeth me.
His faithful foll'wer I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis His hand that leadeth me. *Refrain*

Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor ever murmur nor repine;
content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *Refrain*

And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the vict'ry's won, e'en
death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. *Refrain*

MUSIC BOX

Dr. Marc F. Boensel, Director of Music Ministries, mboensel@stlukeum.com

The **Music Ministry Funds** support the Music Ministry: The Music Fund, The Music Scholarship Fund, The Organ Fund, and the Orchestra Fund. Contact Marc Boensel for information on how you can support the Music Ministry. 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.

The **Music Ministry** meets regularly online on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings for fellowship and prayer. If you would like to join the conversation, please e-mail Marc Boensel at the e-mail address above.

OUR KNOWN SICK: Piedmont Midtown: Marian Young, 914. **Columbus Hospice:** Bob Heider, Rm. 5. **Martin Army:** Marion Stevens (St. Luke Employee). **UAB Hospital** (Birmingham, AL): Ronesa Love, P-722 (St. Luke Employee). **Canterbury Rehabilitation:** Heather McAfee, 9-E. **Emory St. Joseph's:** Robert Beckum. **St. Francis:** Frank Butler, PCS 9.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. Bryan Sargent in the death of his brother, Mr. George Sargent on April 24, 2020 in Milledgeville, Georgia. To Mr. and Mrs. John (Ashley) Pezold, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Weston (Lindsey) Sheldon in the death of Ashley and Lindsey's grandfather, Mr. Hinton P. Albritton, April 21, 2020, Columbus, GA.

Tithes and Offerings

Our physical doors may be closed for the time being but the mission of St. Luke Church continues. You can continue to support St. Luke Church with your tithes and offerings by going to the St. Luke website, <https://saintlukecolumbus.org/give/>, and clicking on "SecureGive" and then clicking on the "Church" button. If you need help with this option, please contact Renee Wilkinson at renee@stlukeum.com or Brett Maddocks at bmaddocks@stlukeum.com.

CHURCH MAILING ADDRESS

Please do not use the physical address of the church for mailing. The church mailing address is PO Box 867, Columbus, GA 31902. The Post Office will no longer deliver items that are addressed to our physical address. Thank you!

As always, thank you for your continued support of the mission and ministry of St. Luke Church.

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*

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

We are studying the Armor of God! CornerKidz Zoom Lessons - Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Look for an e-mail for the info from Hailey every week! Sunday School information is also sent via e-mail each week!

Call to Daily Prayer at 12:19 p.m.

St. Luke Church will be joining other churches in the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church in a time of daily prayer for our communities, churches, country, and the world.

You are invited to join this daily prayer time at 12:19 p.m. every day. This time is purposeful in helping us remember for what we are specifically praying. Remember the words of Scripture from Philippians:

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:4-7)

Let us be faithful to our call to pray in these days. We will be posting prayer points for the day on Facebook each day in preparation for the 12:19 prayer time.

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

Ministerio Hispano "La Cosecha"

Domingo 3 Mayo 2020

Palabra Escrita: Hechos 2:42-47

Palabra Hablada: Comienzos de la Iglesia

La Iglesia cristiana tuvo un gran y poderoso comienzo, una de la característica más importante lo fue la unidad y tenían todas cosas en la común. También debemos recalcar que los comienzos de la iglesia estaban basada en la doctrina de los apóstoles. Esta doctrina venía directamente de la enseñanza y predicación de El Maestro Jesucristo. Una doctrina común para los Apóstoles y que conocían muy bien pues habían caminado y compartido con Jesús durante su ministerio aquí en la tierra.

Tenemos que enfatizar que esa doctrina Apostólica todavía sigue presente en nuestras iglesias, siendo el fundamento de nuestra fe, teniendo presente que Jesucristo, es nuestro único y personal salvador.

Hoy más que nunca debemos enfatizar y fortalecer nuestra doctrina, así como nos las dio nuestro Señor Jesucristo y sus Apóstoles la mantuvieron por muchos años.

Bendiciones y continuemos orando los unos por los otros.

Rev. Dr. Jose Resto/ Pastor

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 acknowledgment sent and mail or bring to the church office. Contact maggie@stlukeum.com.

Respite Care: In memory of Mr. Joe Pope by Mr. and Mrs. Larry King.

Food Pantry: In memory of Mrs. Robynel Harden by the Fellowship/Jesus is Lord Class. In memory of Mr. Matthew Clegg by Mr. and Mrs. Rand Albrecht.

Meals on Wheels: In memory of Mrs. Jo Kinavey by Mr. and Mrs. William Montgomery.

S.A.W. Ministry: In honor of the S.A.W. ministry volunteers by Mrs. Annette Pollock.

Respite Care: In honor of Ms. Nancy Pedersen by Mrs. Annette Pollock.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In honor of the Telephone Sunday School Class Teachers by Mrs. Lucile Lambert.



THE CORNER

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

***Every Sunday at 5:00 p.m.** Join us for THE BIGGEST ZOOM PARTY EVER!



It goes by quickly but it's a chance to connect with your Corner/Crosswalk Family! Last week Mr. Tripp brought us the first installment of "Mr. Tripp's Trivia!" It was so funny! We have guest singers and friends from the past that join us on occasion as well!

***Every Sunday at 5:30 p.m.** join us on YouTube "The Corner Crosswalk TV"



Each week we post our worship experience, have guest worship leaders and dive into God's Word. Each weekly episode is right at 30 minutes with the music portion so it's easy to sit and enjoy with the whole family!

***Every Sunday at 6:15 p.m.** your SMALL GROUP meets to discuss the sermon!



These are some of my favorite times! We have the best small group leaders anywhere and they LOVE YOU SO MUCH!

Don't miss it! God is up to something big and you're a part of it! Reach out if you're not in a group and want to join one!

***Every week we have small groups that go deeper into God's Word!** For a complete list of our small groups visit www.thecornerstudents.com

Future events and dates are coming soon! We are watching, waiting and praying for God's guidance in next steps.

Blessings, Jmo and Lisa
