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## St. Luke Limited In-Person Worship Plans Update

**This week July 26:** In addition to our 9:00 a.m. contemporary service in the Ministry Center and our Spanish language service at 12:30 p.m. in Turner Chapel, **we will reopen our 8:30 a.m. traditional service in the sanctuary for limited in-person worship.** Respecting social distancing, we can seat approximately 75-80 in our sanctuary. **Please note:** We ask that you plan to enter the sanctuary by the front doors facing Second Avenue or by way of the accessibility ramp from the church parking lot only. Please park accordingly. As with last week, there will be no nursery care, children's church or Sunday school gatherings in-person at this time.

**Please familiarize yourself with our safety procedures before making a decision about participating in this or any future in-person worship service at St. Luke.**

### St. Luke Safety Standards for All Services

1. **Social distancing**---seated six feet apart except for immediate family members living in the same household. Additionally, please refrain from physical contact such as handshaking, hugging, etc. Ushers/greeters will help you find safe seating. Remember, social distancing should be observed not only in the worship space but also in hallways, common areas and restrooms.
2. **Hand sanitizer stations** will be placed at each entrance and exit. We request that you use these stations upon entering and leaving any of our worship services.
3. **Temperature checks** with touchless thermometers --100.3 is the maximum CDC recommendation for entrance into gatherings lasting fifteen minutes or more.
4. **Face masks**---We ask that you bring your own mask from home, but there will be masks available as you enter for worship. Masks are an incredibly important expression of our love and concern for the health of our fellow worshippers.
5. **Facilities will be sanitized (anti-viral cleaning)** immediately following each gathering.

Remember, **not everyone should come back to in-person worship at this time.** Those at higher risk for viral infection should continue to worship with our faith family by means of live streaming or by television (WTVM at 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. on Sundays). **Don't take unnecessary risks with your health.** We are in this for the long view, and the day will come when it is safe for all to return to worship in the facilities we love and with the people we love. Our goal is to reopen A.S.A.P. (As Safely As Possible).

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

July 26, 2020

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude..... Fantasy on “A Mighty Fortress is Our God” .....Jan. Zwart  
(Ken Bailey)

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

Hymn..... “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” .....Dr. Marc Boensel

Psalm 42.....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 (Chancel Choir)..... “Sing for Joy” .....Henry Purcell

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.....Mrs. Mary Pat Beckum

Hymn..... “I Love Thy Kingdom Lord” .....Dr. Marc Boensel

News on A Way Forward .....Rev. Beckum/Rev. Maddocks

The Written Word.....John 15:5-17

The Spoken Word..... **“THE POST COVID CHURCH”** .....Rev. Beckum

Hymn..... “I Am Thine, O Lord” .....Dr. Boensel

The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

Postlude (Ken Bailey)..... “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” .....Improvisation

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



**COVID-19**

**We are all in this together.  
Just 6 feet apart.**



**Stand Together. Stay Apart.**



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## JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,  
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;  
love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

## I LOVE THY KINGDOM, LORD

I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,  
the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.

I love thy church, O God! Her walls before thee stand  
dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend,  
to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways,  
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given  
the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.

## I AM THINE, O LORD

I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it told thy love to me;  
but I long to rise in the arms of faith and be closer drawn to thee.

*Refrain:* Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious, bleeding side.

Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord, by the power of grace divine;  
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope, and my will be lost in thine. (*Refrain*)

O the pure delight of a single hour that before thy throne I spend, when I kneel in  
prayer, and with thee, my God, I commune as friend with friend! (*Refrain*)

There are depths of love that I cannot know till I cross the narrow sea;  
there are heights of joy that I may not reach till I rest in peace with thee. (*Refrain*)

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# Music Box

Dr. Marc F. Boensel, Director of Music Ministries, [mboensel@stlukeum.com](mailto:mboensel@stlukeum.com)

The **Chancel Choir** will be part of the return to live worship in the safest way possible. There will not be a Wednesday evening rehearsal until further notice. Choir will meet 30 minutes before each service, in the sanctuary, socially distanced, and masked. Temperature checks will be taken when arriving. Only two anthems will be rehearsed, one of which will be for the service that morning. The choir will remain masked at all times and socially distanced. Choir will resume with the 8:30 a.m. service today, and continue at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on August 2.

The **Handbell Choir** will resume Wednesday evening rehearsal on August 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Stockwell Hall. Temperature checks will be taken when arriving and all ringers will be masked and social distanced during rehearsal. Please note the new time for Handbell rehearsal.

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.

Please consider a gift to the Music Ministry. You may mark your donation to the Music Fund, Music Scholarship Fund, Orchestra Fund, or Organ Fund.

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**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Agnes and Glenn Albright by the family.

**WORSHIP IN SPANISH:** 12:20 p.m. worship in Turner Chapel. Rev. Dr. José Resto/ Pastor.

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Ministerio Hispano "La Cosecha"  
St. Luke UM Church  
Columbus, GA

Palabra Escrita: Romanos 8: 5-8

Palabra as Hablada: "Ocuparse de la carne es muerte, pero ocuparse del Espíritu es vida y paz"

Esta es la lucha entre la carne y el Espíritu, cuando el Cristiano se ocupada de la carne traerá a su vida muerte, pero ocuparse del Espíritu nos traerá una gran bendición, el Espíritu nos traerá vida y paz.

Obedecer al al Señor siempre nos traerá bendiciones, por lo cual el Apóstol Pablo nos exhorta a que luchemos contra la carne, pues la misma nos traerá muerte, muchas veces en forma física y también muerte a nuestro espíritu.

Gloria a Dios por su gran amor que nos quiere amar y cuidar. Amén

Rev. José D. Resto/ Pastor

## 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](http://www.cornerkidz.com)

CornerKidz video lessons and Sunday school lessons are sent out weekly! Not getting the email? Contact me at [haileychs@yahoo.com](mailto:haileychs@yahoo.com) or Tracey at [twilliams@stlukeum.com](mailto:twilliams@stlukeum.com)! **Zoom with us this Sunday at 11:00 a.m!** Please notice the time change! The link will be in the e-mail from me!

I can't wait until we are back together again!

Love, Ms. Hailey

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## 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](mailto:renee@stlukeum.com) or Brett Maddocks at [bmaddocks@stlukeum.com](mailto:bmaddocks@stlukeum.com).

### CHURCH MAILING ADDRESS

Please do not use the physical address of the church for mailing. The church mailing address is P.O. 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.*

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## Prayer Calendars

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

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A Word of Gratitude

*<sup>3</sup> I thank my God every time I remember you, <sup>4</sup> constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, <sup>5</sup> because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now.*

**-Philippians 1:3-5**

The Apostle Paul was fond of expressing his gratitude to the churches he helped start for how they continued the work of spreading the Gospel even in the most uncertain times. I too want to express my gratitude to you for how, during these unsettled days, you have helped continue the mission and ministries of St. Luke Church through your prayers and your gifts.

This week, you should have received an update on your giving records. Please look it over and make sure it is correct. If there are discrepancies or if you need to make contributions towards your pledge please contact Renee Wilkinson ([renee@stlukeum.com](mailto:renee@stlukeum.com)) at the church.

It is not lost on me, as your pastor, that these past several months have been the most difficult time for many, if not all of us. As we move into the fall, and even 2021, we do not know what lies ahead. What we do know is that as followers of Jesus we are members of God's family and that our Father loves us (see 1 John 3:1-3). So, thrive in what is known and keep sharing the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed no matter our circumstances.

In Christ

Robert Beckum

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## 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](mailto:maggie@stlukeum.com).

**Respite Care:** In memory of Mr. Bobby R. Shackelford by Mrs. Annette Pollock.

**Respite Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Mr. Bobby Shackelford by Mr. and Mrs. Larry King.

**Music Fund:** In memory of Mr. Jim Sigmund by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Amos and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Graham and Mrs. Frances McCluskey.

**Music Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Mrs. Gladys Pitts by Ms. Nancy Pedersen. In memory of Mrs. Gladys Pitts by the Bereavement Ministry.

**General Fund:** In memory of Mrs. Jane Paul, Mr. Dick Jones, and Mr. Sonny Clements by Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Graham and Mrs. Frances McCluskey.

**Bereavement Ministry:** In memory of Mrs. Gladys Pitts by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boers.

**Food Pantry:** In memory of Mrs. Jane Paul by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Amos.

**Memorial Maintenance Fund:** In memory of Mr. Sonny Clements by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Amos.



THE CORNER

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# SYNTHESIS

Replicating the DNA of discipleship



The Corner Crosswalk  
Productions Presents  
*The Trailer Tour 2020*

**7 P.M. Every Wednesday**  
**The Corner Worship & Message**

*Drink stations in all four corners of the parking lot with individual water and soft drinks...6 Feet Apart...Hand Sanitizer...Bring your own chair...  
Bring your own food if you want...Dress cool...*

**[thecornerstudents.com](http://thecornerstudents.com)**

**THE TRAILER TOUR 2020!** We will have a 50-foot flatbed complete with The Corner Worship leading worship, testimonies and the Gospel! Water and soft drink stations will be set up in all four corners of the ELC parking lot along with tons of hand sanitizer! Bring your own chair and let's get back to HAVING CHURCH!

Rising 9th Grade through Rising Seniors be sure to fill out the Leadership Team Application as soon as it goes online! Things look different these days and that is precisely why we need YOUR LEADERSHIP!

We love you Corner Crosswalk Fam!

Blessings,

Jonathan and Lisa and the Corner Crosswalk Team