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## St. Luke School and Preschool Reopen August 12

**This week:** We will take two important steps forward: (1) Reopening of St. Luke School (2) Reopening of St. Luke Preschool. We will continue with limited, in-person worship at 8:30 and 11:00 in the sanctuary and 9:00 in the Ministry Center. Please know we will continue online worship by livestream, on our church website ([saintlukecolumbus.org](http://saintlukecolumbus.org)) and by WTVM Newsleader 9 at 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. The 11:00 service will also be broadcast on WLTC radio 103.7. In worship this Sunday we will look at Matthew's story of Jesus' disciples sailing into the storm (Matthew 14:22-33). I covet your prayers as we move into the challenging, stormy waters of the days ahead. We take these steps of faith practicing the best safety standards we know and trusting in the presence of Jesus who comes to us unhindered by the storm raging around us and who enables us to continue our journey in safety.

**Please familiarize yourself with our safety procedures before making a decision about participating in this or any future in-person gathering 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 for in-person gatherings at this time. 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 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.

August 9, 2020  
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “How Great Thou Art” .....arr. Dan Miller

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

Hymn..... “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” .....Dr. Marc Boensel

Psalm 93:1-4

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

**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*)..... “How Great Thou Art/Majesty” .....arr. Joel Raney

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

**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. Amen.**

The Children’s Sermon.....Mrs. Mary Pat Beckum

Hymn..... “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” .....Dr. Boensel

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that, as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

The Written Word.....Matthew 14:22-33

The Spoken Word..... “LORD OF THE WAVES” .....Rev. Beckum

The Invitation to Discipleship - Prayer of the Congregation

**All things come from you, O God,  
and with praise and thanksgiving we return to you what is yours.  
You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image.  
When our love failed, your love remained steadfast.  
You gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior,  
that we might have abundant and eternal life.  
All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you.  
And so, in gratitude for all that you have done,  
we offer you ourselves, and all that we have,  
in union with Christ’s offering for us.  
By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other,  
and one in ministry to all the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn..... “Here I Am, Lord” .....Dr. Boensel

The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

Postlude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “Praise to the Lord the Almighty” .....Improvisation

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

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## PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning  
bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining.  
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.  
Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,  
fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.  
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,  
spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly forever adore him.

## PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night,  
lead me on to the light: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,  
when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call,  
hold my hand lest I fall: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,  
and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand,  
guide my feet, hold my hand: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

## HERE I AM, LORD

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Refrain:* Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord,  
if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *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 has resumed at both 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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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**CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (THE NINE):** 9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, The Rev. Brett Maddocks, preaching.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in honor of the new St. Luke School year by the Discovery Class.

**OUR KNOWN SICK: Piedmont Northside:** Carter Cain, 228.

**IN MEMORIAM**

Ms. Addie Susan "Susie" Williams  
June 13, 2020

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY:** To Mrs. Lynda Worthington in the death of her granddaughter and Michael Worthington and Jane Worthington in the death of their daughter, Samantha Worthington, on July 25, 2020, in Chicago, Illinois. To Mr. and Mrs. Rick (Betsy) Covington and family in the death of his father, Mr. Gene Covington, on August 1, 2020, in Rockvale, TN.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT:** Mr. and Mrs. Brent (Lisa) Cartledge announce the birth of a daughter, Madison Grace Cartledge, on July 25, 2020, in Milton, GA. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne (Becky) Cartledge. A rose has been placed in the chancel area in her honor.

## 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

Offering plates/boxes are placed at entrances and exits at all of our in-person worship services. Of course, you can continue to support St. Luke Church with your tithes and offerings by mail, bank draft, or 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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**Ministerio Hispano "La Cosecha"**  
**Saint Luke U.M. Church**  
**Columbus, Georgia**

**Palabra Escrita: Salmo 144:1**

**Palabra Hablada: La batalla Continúa**

Es necesario luchar contra los obstáculos que otros quieran colocarnos («inservible», «fracasado», etc.), contra las circunstancias (sean económicas, sociales, culturales o de salud) que traten de impedir el desarrollo de nuestros sueños, y contra todo lo que detenga nuestro avance personal.

Debemos luchar contra toda acción que destruya al ser humano. Todos somos responsables, en mayor o en menor medida, del rumbo de nuestra sociedad. Por eso es muy importante que hagamos nuestra parte para terminar con la falta de respeto, y luchemos contra la actitud que dice: «No te metas, no es asunto tuyo.» Luchar contra la opresión del hombre por el hombre, la corrupción y toda forma de discriminación que rebaje al ser humano a la condición de una «cosa» que se utiliza y luego se descarta.

¡Debemos luchar en todo momento para alcanzar la victoria! La vida plena que Dios nos regala se disfruta al máximo cuando nos proponemos vencer todo lo que obstaculiza nuestro crecimiento y hacemos lo que la Biblia enseña.

Podrán venir las tentaciones y los momentos difíciles, pero siempre podremos mantenernos firmes gracias a la fuerza que Dios nos da y nuestra decisión de luchar por lo que de veras vale la pena. *Nunca bajemos los brazos ni nos demos por vencidos, confiemos en Jesús, Amen*

Rev. Dr. Jose D Resto/ Pastor

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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).

**Memorial Maintenance Fund:** In memory of Mr. Henry Wood by Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wood. In memory of Mrs. Jane Paul by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hart.

**Bereavement Ministry:** In memory of Mrs. Gladys Pitts by Mr. and Mrs. Morris Plott.

**Naomi's Village:** In honor of Ryleigh Ann Beckum by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kilpatrick.

**Music Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Mr. Jim Sigmund by Ms. Nancy Haines. In memory of Mrs. Gladys Pitts, Mr. Jim Sigmund, and Mr. Arnold McCall by Mr. and Mrs. Billy Kemp.

**Music Fund:** In memory of Mr. Jim Sigmund by Mr. Billy Cunningham.

**S.A.W. Ministry:** In honor of Mr. Richard Jarboe by Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Christopher.

### OUR PHONE NUMBERS

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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**

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# SYNTHESIS

Replicating the DNA of discipleship

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presents

# THE TRAILER TOUR

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

- Aug 12

**The Corner Worship & Message**

- Aug 19

Drink stations ... 6 Feet Apart ... Hand sanitizer ...

Bring your own chair ... Bring your own food if you want ...

Dress cool!

**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