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PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S 1863 THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

It is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord.

We know that by His divine law, nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world. May we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people?

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown.

But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.

Abraham Lincoln
October 3, 1863

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.

November 22, 2020
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Christ the King Sunday

Prelude..... “All Creatures of our God and King”arr. Paul Mickelson

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

Hymn..... “All Creatures of Our God and King” (vs. 1 & 5).....Dr. Marc Boensel

Psalms 103:1-5; 15-18.....Rev. Brett Maddocks

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)

**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*)..... “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”John Goss

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer.....Rev. Beckum

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.....Mrs. Mary Pat Beckum

Hymn..... “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”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 25:31-46

The Spoken Word..... “WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE”Rev. Beckum

The Invitation to Discipleship - Prayer of the Congregation

**Lord Jesus Christ, when did I see you hungry? When did I see you thirsty?
When did I welcome you, or clothe you, or take care of you, or visit you?
Have I ignored your claim on my time, my attention, my resources?
Open my eyes; melt my heart; enlighten my understanding.
Let me see you in the world, welcome you as my brother, serve you as my Lord,
With the family you acknowledge as your own: the poor, the needy, the stranger,
the prisoner. AMEN**

Hymn..... “Crown Him with Many Crowns”Dr. Boensel

The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

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

Postlude (Ken Bailey)..... “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”arr. Don Wyrzten

** Music Box

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

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,
O praise ye! Al-le-lu-ia!
O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam!

Refrain: O praise ye! O praise ye! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

All ye who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,
O praise ye! Al-le-lu-ia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care! **Refrain**

SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are. **Repeat**

We are thine, thou dost befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray. **Repeat**

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee. **Repeat**

Early let us seek thy favor, early let us do thy will;
blessed Lord and only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still. **Repeat**

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

MUSIC BOX

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

Chancel Choir rehearsals are at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals will be limited to 30 minutes, socially distanced and masked at all times. Temperature checks will be taken between 6:45 p.m. and 6:55 p.m. at the 3rd Avenue entrance to the Music Suite.

Handbell Choir rehearsals are at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals will be limited to 30 minutes, socially distanced and masked at all times. Temperature checks will be taken between 5:30 p.m. and 5:40 p.m. at the 3rd Avenue entrance to the Music Suite.

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.

Today's anthem: "Praise my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing: Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King. Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress. Praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness. Tenderly he tends and spares us, well our feeble frame he knows. In his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes: Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows. Angels, help us to adore him. Ye behold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space: Alleluia! Prase with us the God of grace."

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 loving memory of Mr. Warde "Skip" Chittenden by Mrs. Joyce Chittenden.

OUR KNOWN SICK: Scottish Rite Children's Hospital: Josh McCullough, PICU 34.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. William Lee Montgomery, Jr.

11-13-20

Mrs. Joan Davidson Mize Holder

11-17-20

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. and Mrs. Jeff (Sherry) Bunn and family in the death of his father, Mr. James William Bunn, on November 13, 2020, Alexander City, AL.

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

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This year, Children's Ministry is partnering with the St. Luke Food Pantry to provide not only food but a few wish-list items for the children in its families. If you are interested in adopting a child OR an entire family of children this Christmas, please visit www.cornerkidz.com to register. Deadline to sign up is November 29th.

All aboard!!! On Saturday December 5th, St. Luke Children's Ministry, together with The Darby Project, is pleased to bring you *The Polar Express*! There will be two free showings of this holiday classic, one at 5:30 p.m. and the second at 8:00 p.m. Space is limited and registration is required so be sure to visit www.cornerkidz.com to reserve your spot today!



Ministerio Hispano 'La Cosecha'

Palabra Escrita: Lucas 10:17-20

Palabra Hablada: "El Regreso de los Setenta"

Jesús envió a setenta de sus discípulos a predicar su Evangelio a sanar a los enfermos y a libertar a los cautivo por Satanás, y hacer toda clase de milagros. Ellos fueron he hicieron todo lo que Jesús le había dicho que hicieran y ellos se encontraban muy contentos por haber logrado deshacer las obras del diablo, y ver como por la Palabra de Jesús los ciegos recobraban la vista, los cojos caminaban y los endemoniados eran liberados con el poder de la Palabra de Dios. Los setentas regresaron a Jesús muy emocionados y alegres, diciendo: Señor, aun los demonios se nos sujetan en tu nombre. Jesús que él había visto a Santanas caer del cielo como un rayo. Jesús le respondió que esas cosas eran buenas he importante, pero les advirtió que la importancia mayor era que sus nombres estuvieran escritos en el Libro de la Vida.

Pues de nada vale que podamos hacer milagros, y señales de Dios y nuestros nombres no están escrito en el Libro de la Vida. Tienes que velar que tu nombre este escrito en ese libro, pues tendrás vida eterna, sino condenación eterna. Lacha fuerte y mucho para retener tu nombre en el Libro de la Vida.

Amen

Rev. Dr. Jose Resto/ Pastor

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 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 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.

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.

Food Pantry: In memory of Mrs. Jeannie Illges by Mr. Billy Cunningham.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In honor of Ms. Ailene Mooney for her birthday by Mr. and Mrs. James Richardson. In memory of Mrs. Frances McCluskey by Mrs. Carolyn Layfield.



Free Spirits Christmas Extravaganza

Join us for the 2020 VIRTUAL Extravaganza

Tuesday, December 1 at 12:00 Noon

Questions? Call Kym at 706-327-4343

<https://video.ibm.com/channel/st-luke-united-methodist-church>

S.A.W. MINISTRY NEEDS

The S.A.W. Ministry is in need of mattresses and beds (twin, double, queen), chairs, tables, etc. If you can help please contact Lee Myers at leemyers.co@gmail.com or call the church office at 706-327-4343.



BEFORE ENTRY PLEASE FOLLOW THESE PROCEDURES

1. **SANITIZE YOUR HANDS USING THE PROVIDED SANITIZING SOLUTION.**
2. **PUT ON A PROVIDED FACE MASK (IF YOU ARE ALREADY WEARING A PERSONAL FACE MASK THAT WILL SUFFICE).**
3. **HAVE YOUR TEMPERATURE TAKEN BY THE RECEPTIONIST WITH A "TOUCHLESS" THERMOMETER.**
 - **A TEMPERATURE OF 100.3 OR LOWER IS REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO THE BUILDING.**
4. **MAINTAIN A PHYSICAL DISTANCE OF AT LEAST 6 FEET OF ALL PERSONS NOT LIVING IN YOUR IMMEDIATE HOUSEHOLD.**

BULLETIN COMING LATE?

We have heard from many of you that the weekly bulletin is coming late. Unfortunately we are unable to control when the post office delivers the mailed bulletin. We know this is frustrating but please know we are doing all we can on our end to avoid these delays. If you have access to email or internet, we encourage you to sign up for the emailed bulletin. Or you can view it on our website each week. It is posted to the website and emailed on Thursday afternoons. If you do not receive the bulletin by email already, please contact Maggie at 706-327-4343 or maggie@stlukeum.com to make sure we have your correct email address.



THE CORNER

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



The Corner

CORNER AND CROSSWALK UPCOMING DATES!

November 22- **NO YOUTH.** Happy Thanksgiving!

November 29- **BONFIRE!** More info to come via email.

December 11-12- **Leadership Retreat!**

December 13- **Corner and Crosswalk Christmas parties!**