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No. 17

St. Luke Administrative Board Meeting Date Changed From April 28 to Wednesday May 5 at 7:00 p.m.

The Bishop and Cabinet of the South Georgia Annual Conference had originally planned to publicly release projected pastoral appointments on April 18. However, they are in need of more time to thoroughly and intentionally complete the process. Therefore, out of respect for and in support of this important process, we are moving our Administrative Board Meeting (originally scheduled for April 28) to **Wednesday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Large Dining Room of the St. Luke Ministry Center. This will be an in-person meeting following our St. Luke protocol. Please bring your mask with you. Fortunately, we have plenty of room in the Ministry Center to allow for safely distancing for the purpose of this meeting. The agenda has also changed, centering on information about our new Senior Pastor and plans for transition. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility.

UPCOMING DATES

- May 2 - High School Graduate Recognition --9:00 Service in the St. Luke Ministry Center
- May 2 - Rev. Steve Patton, Northwest District Superintendent, preaching at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
- May 5 - St. Luke Administrative Board 7:00 p.m. St. Luke Ministry Center (in-person)
- May 9 - Mother's Day Sunday
- May 23 - Pentecost Sunday
- June 7 - Virtual Meeting of the South Georgia Annual Conference
- June 16 - Moving Day for newly appointed South Georgia Clergy
- June 20 - Father's Day Sunday - First Sunday for New Clergy Appointments

Thank you for your love and prayers. Let's continue to pray together and stay together in these days of transition.

Robert Beckum

April 25, 2021

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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.

April 25, 2021

4th Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude (*Handbell Choir*)..... “Worship and Praise”Sharon Rogers

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

Hymn..... “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” (stanzas 1-5,&7).....Number 57

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.**

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*)..... “The Lamb”Gerald Coleman

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”Number 381

Special Music (*Handbell Choir*)..... “This is My Father’s World”Michael Helman

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.....John 21:1-19

The Spoken Word..... “UNSPOKEN FORGIVENESS”Rev. Beckum

Hymn..... “How Firm a Foundation”Number 529

The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

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

Postlude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “How Firm a Foundation”Improvisation

** Music Box

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

OUR PHONE NUMBERS

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St. Luke School, 706-256-1301 • Early Learning Center, 706-322-2703

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O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and king, The triumphs of His grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

He speaks, and, listen-ing to his voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall feel your sins forgiven;
anticipate your heaven below, and own that love is heaven.

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**

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand
upheld by my gracious, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy trouble to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not, desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Music Box

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 45 minutes 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 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the Handbell Room. Rehearsals will be limited to 45 minutes and masked at all times. Temperature checks will be taken between 5:45 p.m. and 5:55 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: "The Lamb, O Father where's the sacrifice? Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price! Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own! The Lamb is reigning on his throne! The Lamb, one perfect final offering, let earth join heaven, his praise to sing. The Lamb, as wayward sheep their shepherd kill. So still, his will on our behalf the law to fill. He sighs, he dies, he takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, He gives me his own righteousness. He rose, my heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong 'till every hear to him belong."

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 Miss Lizzie Martin by Colin and Beth Martin.

CRADLE ROLL: Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Sarah) Morris announce the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Grace Morris, on April 14, 2021, in Greenville, SC. Proud grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Gabe (Kay) Denes. A rose has been placed in the chancel area in her honor.

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES: May 30, July 4, July 18, August 29, September 12, October 3, October 10, October 31, November 21, November 28. For more information contact Maggie Roberson at 706-327-4343 or maggie@stlukeum.com.

Prayer Calendars

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

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

mhubbard@stlukeum.com www.cornerkidz.com

We are so excited to resume nursery services today for our infant through PK4 children! Due to our limited capacity, reservations are required and walk-ups will not be accepted at this time. Additionally, we are asking that if your family utilizes St. Luke nursery services, that parents consider volunteering to assist in your child's classroom. Volunteer dates are available on the nursery reservation form which can be found at www.cornerkidz.com.

Children's Ministry is elated to announce IN PERSON Preschool Camp and VBS the week of June 21st through 25th! Registration opens today, Sunday, April 25th. Visit www.cornerkidz.com to reserve your spot. Please know that space is limited!

Calling all 3rd, 4th and 5th graders! Join us on Friday, April 30th from 6-8 p.m. for a movie night in the Ministry Center. We will enjoy popcorn and snacks while we watch The Prince Of Egypt. Please email me at mhubbard@stlukeum.com to RSVP.

In the month of May, Children's Ministry will be hosting a Virtual 5k with all money raised going to Naomi's Village. To kick off the month and encourage kids to get moving, Mary Johnson will be offering a children's yoga class the evening of Sunday, May 2nd from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The class is open to all grades, K-5th. Email me to reserve your spot today!!!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IS HIRING A NURSERY COORDINATOR

The nursery coordinator supervises and coordinates staffing, volunteers, programming and curriculum for all nursery services at St Luke UMC in partnership with the Children's Ministry Director. If interested, please contact Michelle Hubbard at mhubbard@stlukeum.com.

MILITARY MINISTRY

Men: Join us at Lakebottom Park at 5:15 a.m. Tu/Th and 6:00am Sat for F3: Fitness, Fellowship, and Faith. Contact Tony Mayne for details at tony@gallantfew.org and check out the F3 Nation website at www.f3nation.com.

Do you love working with children?

Join Our Ministry!

We Are Hiring @ St. Luke Early Learning Center!

Call 706-322-2703

Send resume to scarr@stlukeum.com

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.

Soullight Foundation: In memory of Mr. Larry Caddell by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald DiQuattro, Mr. and Mrs. David Acker, Ms. Beverly Milner, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garvin, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Owen, and Mr. John Nix.

Samaritan Fund: In honor of Mrs. Mary Bass by Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register.

Music Scholarship Fund: In memory of David and Barbara Smart and Mr. Bill Montgomery by Mrs. Janice Sigmund.

Naomi's Village Fund: In memory of Mr. Larry Caddell by Mrs. Beth Miller.

Food Pantry: In memory of Mr. Don Sawtelle by Mrs. Peggy Gindville.

Handbell Choir Fund: In honor of Ms. Nancy Pedersen by Mrs. Annette Pollock.



THE CORNER

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

	HELP WANTED!	
	WHO: SMALL GROUP LEADERS & ADULT VOLUNTEERS	
	WHEN: SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH SERVICES	
	WHERE: ST. LUKE MINISTRY CENTER	
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SOULED OUT SUMMER 2021!!!

Come spend one **LIFE-CHANGING** week at the beach with us! Protocol will be in place to make sure this will be a safe and incredible opportunity to grow in your faith with your Corner/Crosswalk family.

\$339 for the week. Mark June 7-11 on your calendars!!

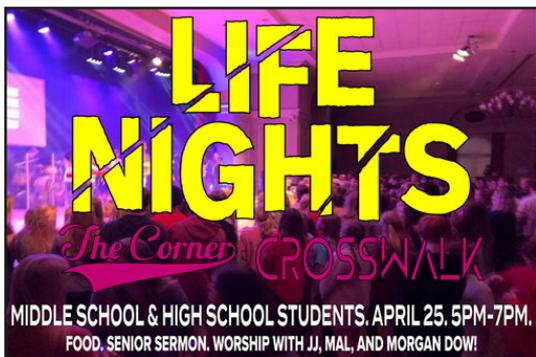
Sign-ups online **NOW!!!** www.thecornerstudents.com

2021 SENIORS

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS:

Senior Sunday is around the corner and we can't wait to celebrate all of your accomplishments! We look forward to seeing you May 2nd!!

Senior Sermons (featuring high school seniors from our Synthesis Leadership Team) continue **THIS SUNDAY** with Will Beatty!



LIFE NIGHTS
The Corner CROSSWALK
MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. APRIL 25. 5PM-7PM.
FOOD, SENIOR SERMON. WORSHIP WITH JJ, MAL, AND MORGAN DOW!

THIS SUNDAY is our first **LIFE NIGHT!**

It is going to be a night full of incredible fellowship, passionate worship, and a ton of FUN!

Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers- JOIN US from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m!!

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!