Holy Week Opportunities

In order to assure safety protocols you will need to register to attend our Easter week services. You may register online at the church website, https://saintlukecolumbus.org/easter-sunday-worship/ or by calling the church office at 706-327-4343.

April 1
Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary
Livestreamed at https://saintlukecolumbus.org/services/

April 2
Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary
Livestreamed at https://saintlukecolumbus.org/services/

April 4
Easter

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Greenspace. You can register to stay in your car or register to use seating in the Greenspace area.

8:00 a.m. Traditional Service in the sanctuary

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service in the Ministry Center.
Livestreamed at https://saintlukecolumbus.org/services/ and rebroadcast at 11:30 p.m. on WTVM Channel 9.

9:30 a.m. Traditional Service in the sanctuary

10:45 a.m. Contemporary Service in the Ministry Center

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service in the sanctuary
Livestreamed at https://saintlukecolumbus.org/services/ and broadcast at WLTC 103.7 Lite FM and on WTVM Channel 9 at 10:00 a.m.
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.

March 21, 2021

5th Sunday in Lent

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

Prelude (Ken Bailey)..................... “Pastorale on Psalm 23:1” .....................by Percy Whitlock

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

Hymn................................................ “Here I Am, Lord”..........................Number 593

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.

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00 a.m.)..........................Caroline Elizabeth Brown
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Justin Kenneth (Michelle) Brown
As Christ’s body, the church, we reaffirm both our rejection of sin and our commitment to Christ. With God’s help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Caroline Elizabeth with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust in God and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

**Anthem (Chancel Choir)............ “Man of Sorrows, What A Name”.............Diane Hannibal

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.

Choral Prayer Response................... “Dresden Amen”..........................Johann Naumann

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

Hymn................................................ “O Jesus, I Have Promised”...........Number 396

Special Music .................................. “Via Dolorosa”..........................Sprague and Borop

(Shana Monteith, soprano and Ken Bailey, piano)

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 22:34-40; I John 3:11-24
The Spoken Word............ “PASSING FROM DEATH TO LIFE” ....................Rev. Beckum

Invitation to Discipleship and Congregational Prayer
Almighty God, your mission is to redeem the world. Inspire us by your Holy Spirit with passion and courage so we can join you in that work. Open our eyes to see you moving in our community. Open our ears to hear your call. Open our hearts to love our neighbors. Open our minds to imagine new ways of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ in the world. Amen.

Hymn................................................ “A Charge to Keep I Have”..................Number 413

The Benediction....................................................Rev. Beckum

Choral Benediction Response (11:00 a.m.)...... “Fivetofold Amen”...................Marc Boensel
Postlude (Ken Bailey).......................... “A Charge to Keep I Have”.....................Improvisation

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

* Music Box
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

O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED
O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking, in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
O speak to reassure me, to hasten, or control;
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

A CHARGE TO KEEP I HAVE
A charge to keep I have, a God to glorify,
a never-dying soul to save, and fit it for the sky.

To serve the present age, my calling to fulfill;
O may it all my powers engage to do my Master’s will.

Arm me with jealous care, as in thy sight to live,
and oh, thy servant, Lord, prepare a strict account to give!

Help me to watch and pray, and on thyself rely,
assured, if I my trust betray, I shall forever die.
**The Nine**
9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, The Rev. Brett Maddocks, preaching.

**Chancel Choir** rehearsals are at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals will be limited to 45 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 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals will be limited to 45 minutes, socially distanced and masked at all times. Temperature checks will be taken between 5:15 p.m. and 5:25 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:** “Man of sorrows, what a name for the Son of God who came, ruined sinners to reclaim, Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy). Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood, sealed my pardon with His blood, Kyrie eleison. Guilty and helpless, and lost were we, blameless Lamb of God was He, He sacrificed to set us free, Kyrie eleison. He was lifted up to die, ‘It is finished’ was his cry, now in heaven exalted high, : “Man of sorrows, what a name for the Son of God who came, ruined sinners to reclaim, Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy). Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood, sealed my pardon with His blood, Kyrie eleison. Guilty and helpless, and lost were we, blameless Lamb of God was He, He sacrificed to set us free, Kyrie eleison. He was lifted up to die, ‘It is finished’ was his cry, now in heaven exalted high, Kyrie eleison.”

**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 by the Discovery Class.

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY:**
To Mrs. Susan Lockwood in the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. Gene Barker, March 7, 2021, in Germantown, MD.

**OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES:**
- May 2, May 30, June 27, July 4, July 18, August 8, 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.

**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

**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!
The Cry Room in the Ministry Center is now open during the 9 o’clock service for children 2 and under. The service will be live-streamed for your convenience.

Take home bags of Easter crafts will be available at all services during the month of March. Bags will also be available during the week in the church lobby.

Be sure to join us today for the first ever Corner Kidz Family Bake Off! Our very own Rev. Maddocks and JJ Harrison will taste the entries LIVE on our 1 PM Zoom this afternoon. Who will win? You don’t want to miss it!

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

STOP
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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEALS ON WHEELS
Looking for a ministry opportunity where you can safely serve in a much needed area? Our Meals on Wheels program is in need of volunteers to deliver meals. You will have minimal contact picking up the meals at St. Luke and can leave the meal at the door of the homes where you deliver meals. If interested contact Julie Widener at 706-256-1017 or by email at jwidener@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.

Naomi’s Village: In memory of Mrs. Frances McCluskey by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hydrick.
Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mrs. Jeanette Jones by Mr. and Mrs. Malon Wickham.
Music Scholarship Fund: In honor of Mrs. Annette Pollock on her birthday by Ms. Nancy Pedersen.

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
CONTACT: jmoores@stlukeum.com
maggie@stlukeum.com

TONIGHT!!!
MARCH 21 – Middle School and High School Students!
COLOR WAR for Middle Schoolers - 5-6:00 p.m.
High Schoolers, join us for the BONFIRE at 6:00 p.m.
and the BEST EASTER EGG HUNT EVER at 6:00 p.m!
TONS OF PRIZES!!
Special guest: BIG LEE!!!
Pick up for all ages at 8:00 p.m.
Location sent out by email.

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!
Be sure to turn in your information online by Monday, April 5th and find the Bill Turner Scholarship application at www.thecornerstudents.com.

NO YOUTH March 28 & April 4. Have a safe Spring Break and a blessed Easter!

YOU DON’T WANT TO MISS THIS!