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Rev. Thad Haygood To Be Appointed as St. Luke's Fifty-Seventh Senior Pastor



On Sunday, April 25th, Bishop Lawson Bryan released the first of the projected pastoral appointments for the coming year. Included on that list is the appointment of Rev. Thad Haygood to be the fifty-seventh Senior Pastor of St. Luke Church. In the 193 year history of St. Luke the list of pastors exceeds fifty-seven; however, in our first one hundred years, eight pastors were appointed to multiple, short tenures in the space of a decade (two were appointed three different times to serve St. Luke).

Thad currently serves as the Senior Pastor at Albany First United Methodist Church where he has served for the past five years. He is married to Laura Douglas Haygood, originally from Columbus. Thad and Laura were married in 2000 at St. Paul UMC here in Columbus. They have two daughters: Gentry who is a graduating high school senior and plans to attend Auburn University this fall, Ruth is 16 and will be a rising high school junior this fall. Thad's father, Rev. David Haygood, served as an Associate Pastor of St. Luke from 1966-1970.

Thad graduated from Thomasville High School in 1990, Young Harris College in 1992, The University of Georgia in 1995, Candler School of Theology at Emory University in 1998. He has served as Music Director, Providence UMC 1995-1998, Associate Pastor of Albany First UMC 1998-2003, Pastor of Cuthbert UMC and Chaplain to Andrew College 2003-2007, Pastor of Crossroads UMC (Perry) 2007-2011, Senior Pastor of Dublin First UMC 2011-2016, and Senior Pastor of Albany First UMC 2016-present.

Thad's appointment, like all the clergy appointments, will be confirmed by Bishop Bryan at the meeting of the South Georgia Annual Conference June 7. Moving day for all clergy with new appointments will be June 16, and Thad's first Sunday at St. Luke will be Father's Day, June 20.

I know that all of our Staff Parish Relations Committee enthusiastically embraces and celebrates this new appointment to St. Luke. Personally, I could not be more excited or grateful that Thad will be appointed to this great church which has been such a blessing to Mary Pat and me. St. Luke will be in the best possible pastoral hands with Thad's leadership, poised to move forward in new and joyful ways.

Robert Beckum

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.

May 2, 2021

5th Sunday of Easter

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

Prelude (*Ken Bailey*).. “He Looked Beyond My Fault”(Londonderry Aire)..arr. W. Elmo Mercer

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

Hymn..... “Christ Is Alive”Number 318

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*)..... “I Am No Longer My Own”Mary McDonald

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer.....(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Beckum

(11:00 a.m.) Rev. Brett Maddocks

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..... “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”Number 384

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.....Romans 8:31-39

The Spoken Word..... “**WHAT SHALL WE SAY?**”Rev. Steve Patton
Superintendent of Northwest District

Hymn..... “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”Number 402

The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

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

Postlude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”Improvisation

** Music Box

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

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CHRIST IS ALIVE

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine,
he comes to claim the here and now and dwell in every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high, untouched unmoved by human pains,
but daily, in the midst of life, our Savior in the God-head reigns.

In every insult, rift, and war, where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,
till earth and all creation ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe, thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never, never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

LORD, I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

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Music Box

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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: "I am no longer my own, but yours. Put me to what you will, rank me with whom you will; put me to doing, put me to suffering; let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you, exalted for you, or brought low for you; let me be full, let me be empty, let me have all things, let me have nothing: I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things to your pleasure and disposal. And now, glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are mine and I am yours. So be it. And the covenant now made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen."

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. and Mrs. Frank Dudley Martin by The Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Sawyer, Mr. Frank D. Martin, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Flournoy.

ROSES IN THE CHANCEL AREA: One rose is in celebration of the birth of Rose Elizabeth Fay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland (Marie) Fay, born April 18, 2021, in Roswell, GA. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clifton (Nancy) Fay. One rose is in celebration of the birth and in loving memory of Gabriel Max Denes, April 23, 2021 – April 25, 2021 (infant son of Sara and Gabe Denes, grandson of Joanna and Ronnie Culbreth and Kay and Gabe Denes, and great grandson of Linda Green).

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES: July 4, August 29, September 12, 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

Our nursery is open during the Nine and 11 o'clock services. We will be providing nursery care during the Sunday School hour beginning next Sunday, May 9th. 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.

In the month of May, Children's Ministry is 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 this evening, Sunday, May 2nd from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The class is open to all grades, K-5th. Hope your kiddos will join us!

Children's Ministry is elated to announce **IN PERSON Preschool Camp** and **VBS** the week of June 21st through 25th! Registration is OPEN! Space is limited so be sure to visit www.cornerkidz.com to reserve your spot today!

SAVE THE DATE! Corner Kidz will reopen for children in K-3rd on Sunday, June 6th during the Nine and 11 o'clock services. Can't wait to welcome them back!

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 for F3: Fitness, Fellowship, and Faith at **5:15 a.m.** Tu/Th and **6:00 a.m.** Sat. Contact Tony Mayne at tony@gallantfew.org and the "F3 Columbus, Ga" Facebook page for details. 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 Klub Heimatland, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Graham, and Drs. Clifton and Christine Ruehl.

Samaritan Fund: In honor of Mrs. Mildred McAfee by Rev. and Mrs. Dick Reese.

Children's Ministry: In honor of Mrs. Michelle Hubbard by Drs. Clifton and Christine Ruehl.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mrs. Jeannette Schorr by Mr. and Mrs. Al Ramsay.



THE CORNER

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



LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR 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 until **SUNDAY, MAY 2!** Payments due May 15.

www.thecornerstudents.com

Our first Life Night was INCREDIBLE!!!! God is moving in our student ministry! Stay tuned to hear about our next one later this month!

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

Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers,
we will see you from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.!



HELP WANTED!

WHO: SMALL GROUP LEADERS & ADULT VOLUNTEERS

WHEN: SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH SERVICES

WHERE: ST. LUKE MINISTRY CENTER

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