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We Have Been Blessed

As our ministry of ten years comes down to the final two weeks, Mary Pat and I have been reflecting a lot on our time with you. The first word to emerge from our time of reflection is “blessed.” It made us both think of a song by one of our favorite country music artists, Martina McBride, and her song, “I Have Been Blessed.” With a slight change of pronouns (making them plural) the words of this song express well how we feel about our time with this great church family.

*“We have been blessed, and we feel like we have found our way.
We thank God for all that we have been given at the end of every day.
We have been blessed, with so much more than we deserve,
to be here with the ones that love us and to love them so much it hurts,
We have been blessed.”*

We were blessed by the way you opened your hearts and lives to us, receiving us with love from the moment we arrived in 2011. You have been extravagantly generous with your time, acceptance, encouragement, forgiveness and support for these ten years. Thank you for allowing us to be partners in ministry with you through worship, study, service, mission and discipleship.

We are grateful to God for the bonds of friendship among our wonderful St. Luke staff members with whom we have been privileged to work. We are thankful for all the times that we have been able to share God’s grace with one another, through weekly worship and every age and stage of life – weddings, baptisms, confirmations, graduations, and funerals – all of which have bound us together as a true family of faith. We have been especially blessed by the spirit of generosity and mission that defines St. Luke, and through which God has impacted this community and the world. What a privilege it has been to be a part of that mission with you!

We want you to know how filled with gratitude and joy our hearts are to have been a part of this church family with you. In the words of the apostle Paul speaking of the shared grace of God in Romans 11:36: “For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen.”

Robert and Mary Pat

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.

June 6, 2021

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “Ode to Joy” arr. Albert Travis

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

Hymn..... “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”Number 126

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.*).....Gwendolyn Ellen McConnell
Daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Hugh (Rachel) McConnell

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 Gwendolyn Ellen 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*)..... “Thee Will I Love”Craig Courtney

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..... “Dresden Amen”anon.

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

Hymn..... “Open My Eyes, That I May See”.....Number 454

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 (*8:30 a.m.*) II Corinthians 13:13 (p. 175, NT in pew Bible)
(*11:00 a.m.*) II Peter 3:18 (p. 224, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word (*8:30 a.m.*)..... “**WHAT STAYS WITH YOU**”Rev. Beckum
(*11:00 a.m.*) “**REMEMBER YOUR BAPTISM**”Rev. Beckum

Hymn..... “My Hope is Built”Number 386

The Benediction.....Rev. Beckum

Choral Benediction Response (*11:00 a.m.*)..... “Danish Amen”anon.

Postlude (*Ken Bailey*)..... “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”Improvisation

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

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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, June 6

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)
9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (MIN) Live streamed at www.saintlukecolumbus.org
9:00 a.m. CornerKidz K-3rd grade
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/Youth Sunday School Assembly (The Corner, MIN)
10:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School (The Corner, MIN)
College Small Group (College House)
Pre-recorded broadcast of worship service on WTVM Channel 9
11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)/Broadcast over WLTC 103.7 Lite FM and at www.saintlukecolumbus.org beginning at 11:00 a.m.
1:00 a.m. CornerKidz K-3rd grade
5-6:00 p.m. Crosswalk/High School (LD, MIN)
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Monday, June 7

- Souled out Summer for youth (June 7 - 11)
Online Annual Conference Business Session

Wednesday, June 8

- 11:30 a.m. Kiwanis (LD, MIN)
6:00 p.m. College House (1030 Second Ave.)

Friday, June 11

- MREA Luncheon (LD, MIN)

UPCOMING DATES

Sunday, June 13

- 3-5:00 p.m. Reception for Beckums (LD, MIN)

Sunday, June 20

Welcome Rev. Thad Haygood/Father's Day

Monday, June 21

- 9 am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, June 22

- 9 am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Wednesday, June 23

- 9 am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Thursday, June 24

- 9 am-Noon Vacation Bible School


Friday, June 25

- 9 am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Monday, June 28

- 10:00 a.m. District Clergy Meeting (LD, MIN)

Main (main building, where Sanctuary is)\MIN (Ministry Center). Contact the Ministry Center for information about renting or reserving rooms, 706-256-1017.



GOD BLESS AMERICA

JULY 4, 2021

ONE GREAT SERVICE OF WORSHIP

(no 8:30, 9:00, or 11:00 a.m.)

10:30 A.M. IN THE ST. LUKE MINISTRY CENTER

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lunch will be provided by the church!

Preschool Nursery provided.

Ministry Center is wheelchair-accessible.

MUSIC BOX

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

You are invited to find your place to serve the church through music. New members of the Choir and Bell Choir are welcome throughout the year:

Chancel Choir rehearsals are at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the Choir Room.

Handbell Choir rehearsals are at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the Handbell Room.

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: "Thee will I love, my strength, my tower, Thee will I love, my joy, my crown! Thee will I love with all my power, in all my works, in Thee alone. Thee will I love, till thy pure fire fills all my soul with chaste desire. Thee will I love, my joy, my crown. I thank thee uncreated Sun, that thy bright beams on me have shined. I thank thee who hast overthrown my foes and healed my wounded mind. I thank thee, whose enlivening voice bids my freed heart in thee rejoice. Thee will I love... . Thee will I love, my joy, my crown, Thee will I love, my Lord, my God! Thee will I love beneath thy frown or smile, the scepter or thy rod. What though my flesh and heart decay? Thee shall I love in endless day! Thee will I love... ."

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 Mary Ida Holman by Celia Evans, Jimmy Holman, Nancy Jordan and their families.

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

OUR KNOWN SICK: **Cleveland Clinic** (9500 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44195) Lynn Frakes, J-61 01.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. and Mrs. Mark (Kristal) Renner in the death of his brother, and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick (Susan) Graham in the death of his cousin, Mr. John Renner, in Illinois.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Carl S. Porter
May 29, 2021

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

Corner Kidz for K-3rd grade students resumes TODAY during the Nine and 11 o'clock services. We'll celebrate in our pajamas by enjoying Pop Tarts out on the Ministry Center playground while praising our great, big, AMAZING God!

Children's Ministry is looking for volunteers to help with our IN PERSON Preschool Camp and VBS the week of June 21st through 25th! Please visit www.cornerkidz.com to register to volunteer! We can't do it without your help!

Friendly reminder....the last day to register your child for VBS is June 11th. Spots are filling up fast so be sure to register today at www.cornerkidz.com.

STAYING UPDATED: Please remember to call the church office and let us know when you have a change of address, phone, or email, etc. We also love to hear about births, marriages, etc. Thank you for your help in keeping our records up to date!

MILITARY MINISTRY

Men: Join us at Lakebottom Park at 5:15 a.m. Tu/Th and 6:00 a.m. 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.

A virtual weekly men's Bible study is available Wednesdays at 6:00 a.m. Contact Tony Mayne for more information

Summer Camp Scholarships: The Military Ministry is pleased to offer a limited number of partial scholarships to active duty military children to attend Saint Luke Church and School summer camps this June! Scholarships will be given first come first serve, with priority to need and rank. Please contact Nicole Mayne at nmayne@stlukeum.com for more information.

Reception for the Beckums

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is hosting a reception on Sunday, June 13, to honor Robert and Mary Pat Beckum for their 10 years of ministry at St. Luke. The come and go reception will be held from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the large dining room of the Ministry Center. Covid protocols will be followed. We look forward to seeing you there!

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.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mr. William Hoyt Raymond IV by Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Bickerstaff III and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Griffin.

Naomi's Village: In honor of Jun Wehrhahn by Mr. and Mrs. Brad Turner.

Respite Care: In memory of Mrs. Jeannette Jones by Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkinson.

NEW BEGINNINGS: June 8th, 10:30 a.m. in Room 110. Program: "Summer Fun, come laugh and lunch with us."

ST. LUKE PRESCHOOL is looking for an Assistant Teacher in our half day (9:00-1:00) program! If you have a love for young children and a desire to minister to them through Christian education, please send your resume to Allison Beatty – abeatty@stlukeum.com or give us a call at 706-327-4343.

Prayer Calendars

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



THE CORNER

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

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY, June 6th for a
ONE HOUR SERVICE from 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m!
Kate Bradford will be sharing her Senior Sermon!
We can't wait to see you there!



Please be in prayer for our students as we head down to SOULED OUT SUMMER June 7-11! We know God is going to do INCREDIBLE things and WE CAN'T WAIT!!!

MONDAYS THIS SUMMER!

Starting **JUNE 14** in the Green Space Parking Lot!

"FOOD TRUCK MONDAYS!"

First week is
COUNTRY'S BBQ and
ICEY GIRL!

THIS IS LOCALS = FOOD TRUCK STYLE!



Want a Food Truck Monday T-shirt?
They are \$15 and can be purchased on www.thecornerstudents.com.
