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Memorial Day Monday, May 31, 2021



Memorial Day commemorates the men and women who died while in the military service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. In other words, the purpose of Memorial Day is to memorialize the veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. We spend time remembering those who lost their lives and could not come home, reflecting on their service and why we have the luxury and freedom that we enjoy today. We might consider how we can support and safeguard their grieving families and loved ones who are left behind.

The history of Memorial Day dates back to the American Civil War. It started as an event organized by the women of St. Luke Church in Columbus, Georgia to honor soldiers who had died during the war. The very first Memorial Day Service occurred in the St. Luke sanctuary on April 26, 1866. This service was the inspiration for the way people across the Southern states honored their war dead. The first national celebration of Decoration Day took place on May 30, 1868. Today, there are over twenty-four cities and towns across the United States that claim to be the birthplace of Memorial Day. Waterloo (New York) was officially (and incorrectly) declared the birthplace of Memorial Day by President Lyndon Johnson in May 1966. In the late 19th century, the holiday (previously known as Decoration Day) became known as Memorial Day and was expanded to include the deceased veterans of all the wars fought by American forces. Originally, the holiday was celebrated on May 30, regardless of the day of the week. In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed and, as a result, the day changed to the last Monday in May.

This Sunday, in the sanctuary of St. Luke United Methodist Church, we will solemnly remember those who have paid the ultimate price of freedom while serving in the military service of our country.

Robert Beckum, Senior Pastor rbeckum@stlukeum.com

Robert Beckum

ORDER OF WORSHIPThe 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 30, 2021	Trinity Sunday
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Prelude (Ken Bailey)" "A Mighty Fortress"	arr. Diane Bish
Welcome and Opening Prayer	
Hymn	
The Affirmation of Faith	
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.)	
**Anthem "Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones"Hatch, (Chancel Choir)	Alexander, and Nash
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer	See Insert
Choral Prayer Response "Dresden Amen"	Johann Naumann
The Children's Sermon	lrs. Mary Pat Beckum
Hymn "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" (vs. 1-4)	Number 79
Special Music	anon. an)
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 WordPsalm 25:1-10 (p.	475, OT in pew Bible)
The Spoken Word	
The Invitation and Confession Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that toward us! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Ame	
The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving	See Insert
The Sharing of Bread and Cup	
Prayer following Communion	See Insert
Hymn"Here I Am, Lord"	Number 593
The Benediction	Rev. Beckum
Choral Benediction Response (11:00 a.m.) "Sevenfold Amen"	Peter Lutkin
Postlude (Ken Bailey) "Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty" ** Music Box *** quick means "living"; ca	Improvisation tholic means "universal"

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, May 30

8:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main) Contemporary Service (MIN) 9:00 a.m.

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

Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)/Broadcast over WLTC 103.7 Lite FM 11:00 a.m.

and at www.stlukeum.com beginning at 11:00 a.m.

5-7:00 p.m. Crosswalk/High School (LD, MIN)

11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Monday, May 31 - Campus closed for Memorial Day

Wednesday, June 2

11:30 a.m. Kiwanis (LD, MIN)

College House (1030 Second Ave.) 6:00 p.m.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room, Main) 7:00 p.m.

UPCOMING DATES

Sunday, June 6

9 & 11 a.m. CornerKidz K-3rd grade

Monday, June 7

Online Annual Conference Business Session

Friday, June 11

MREA Luncheon (LD, MIN)

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

Vacation Bible School 9 am-Noon

Tuesday, June 22

9 am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Wednesday, June 23

9 am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Thursday, June 24

Vacation Bible School 9 am-Noon

Friday, June 25

Vacation Bible School 9 am-Noon

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.

Prayer Calendars

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

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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 7:00pm on Wednesday evenings in the Choir Room.

Handbell Choir rehearsals are at 6:00pm 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: "Blades of grass and pure white stones shelter those who've come and gone. Just below the emerald sod are those who've reached the arms of God. Buried there with dignity, endless rows for all to see. Freedom's seeds in sorrow sown, beneath blades of grass and pure white stones. Blades of grass and pure white stones cover those who left their homes, to rest in fields there side by side, lest we forget their sacrifice."

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 Rev. and Mrs. Robert Beckum by the Discovery Class.

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.

WELCOME VISITORS: We are glad to have you with us today! If you have any questions or need assistance with anything, please ask a church greeter or any member of the church staff. For more information about St. Luke, contact Brett Maddocks or any of the pastors at 706-327-4343 or bmaddocks@stlukeum.com. Thank you for blessing us with your presence.

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!

CHİLDREN'S MİNİSTRY mhubbard@stlukeum.com www.cornerkidz.com

Sunday School for children K-5th is back! We meet in Stockwell Hall during the 10 o'clock hour. Hope your child will join us!

Save the Date! Corner Kidz for K-3rd grade students will resume on Sunday, June 6th during the Nine and 11 o'clock services. We'll celebrate in our pajamas by enjoying Pop Tarts out on the 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.

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 Relation's 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!

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.

St. Luke School Fund: In memory of Mr. Roy Spurlin by Mrs. Tina Collier.

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!



COLLEGE HOUSE MINISTRIES

St. Luke College Ministry
(Ages 18-25)
Mike and Kami Davidson,
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mikeandkamidavidson@yahoo.com
Website

www.collegehouseministries.com



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

No youth this Sunday, May 30.

Enjoy your Memorial Day weekend and we will see you NEXT SUNDAY, June 6th for a **ONE HOUR SERVICE** from 5pm-6pm. Kate Bradford will be sharing her Senior Sermon! We can't wait to see you there!

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.

