GOD BLESS AMERICA

St. Luke
United Methodist Church

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CORNER KIDZ: Due to the God and Country Celebration today Corner Kidz will not meet. Our regular schedule resumes next Sunday.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY: During the month of July, Children’s Sunday School will meet in Stockwell Hall. Parents, please pick up your children promptly by 10:50 a.m.

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WE LOVE CORNER CROSSWALK SUMMERS!
We will have NO YOUTH this Sunday, July 4th. Enjoy time with your families! God bless America! We love you!

WE WILL SEE YOU ON JULY 11TH FOR BYOP! 5PM-8PM!
THIS IS THE BIGGEST PARTY OF THE YEAR!

REDNECK HOT TUBS, AMAZING FOOD, KARAOKE, GAMES!
BAPTISMS TO CELEBRATE SO MANY ACCEPTING CHRIST!
MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!
WE CAN’T WAIT!
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 acknowledgement sent, and mail or bring it to the church office. Contact maggie@stlukeum.com for more information.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In honor of the Haygood family by Mrs. Clair Thayer. In memory of Mr. Chester Watts by Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Culbret.

Food Pantry: In memory of Mr. Chester Watts by Mr. Billy Cunningham. In memory of Mr. Don Kleiber and Mr. Carl Porter by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Huff. In honor of Rev. Thad Haygood and family by Ms. Nancy Pedersen.

St. Luke School Scholarship Fund: In memory of Mr. Ronny Smith by Mrs. Judy Heider, Mr. and Mrs. James Hinson, and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Watley.

Samaritan Fund: In memory of Mr. Carl Porter by Mrs. Barbara Gilliam Haneman.

Free Spirits Fund: In memory of Mr. Chester Watts by Mr. and Mrs. Morris Plott and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holton.

S.A.W. Ministry: In honor of the S.A.W. Ministry Volunteers by Ms. Martha Hauck.

Music Fund: In memory of Mr. Chester Watts by Mrs. Joanne Cavis.

Thank You from the Beckums

We want to thank all of you for your many expressions of love and care surrounding our retirement. The reception was wonderful and a fun time of celebrating and reminiscing. We are so grateful for your loving retirement gift. You will always hold a very special place in our hearts, and we will keep all of you and St Luke in our prayers. We ask for your continued prayers for us in the days ahead.

With much love and appreciation – Robert and Mary Pat

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, July 4
10:30 a.m. Combined God and Country Celebration (Ministry Center)
Worship Service broadcast over WLTZ 103.7 Lite FM and at saintlukecolumbus.org at 10:30 a.m.
11:45 a.m. Sunday Dinner with the St. Luke Family

Monday, July 5 Church office closed
7:30 p.m. College Bible Study (College House)

Tuesday, July 6

Wednesday, July 7
8:00 p.m. College House (1030 Second Ave.)

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

PATRIOTIC SERVICE (MINISTRY CENTER) The beautiful flowers in the worship center are given to the glory of God and in honor of our St. Luke members who have served in the military service over the years by the Discovery Class.

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MILITARY MINISTRY

St. Luke Family: Please join us for the Grand Opening of the Ranger Outreach Center, known as the ROC, July 19 at 9 a.m. Register online to attend at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ranger-outreach-center-grand-opening-tickets-155516462927. 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.

For more information on upcoming events and ways to serve our military community contact Nicole Mayne at nmayne@stlukeum.com

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Welcome.............................................................................The Rev. Thad Haygood

The Prelude.......................... “America the Beautiful”......................Ward/Hayes

Overture (Rojay Evans, Director)....“Fanfare for the Common Man”.....Aaron Copland
(St. Luke Orchestra Brass and Percussion)

A Reading from the Declaration of Independence ............................Mr. Mitch Watts

*Presentation of Colors ...............Russell County Sheriff’s Department Honor Guard

*Pledge to the Christian Flag: I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior for whose kingdom it stands; one fellowship, uniting all Christians in service and in love.

*Pledge to the American Flag: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

*The National Anthem..........................Francis Scott Key/Anonymous

    Oh, say can you see, by the dawn’s early light,
    What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming?
    Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,
    O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
    And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
    Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
    O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
    O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

*Posting of the Colors

*Hymn.............................. “My Country, 'Tis of Thee” ..................AMERICA

    My country, tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing;
    land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride,
    from every mountainside let freedom ring!

    My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love;
    I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills;
    my heart with rapture thrills, like that above.

    Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees
    sweet freedom's song; let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake;
    let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

**Anthem..............................“Armed Forces Salute” ..................arr. Joyce Eilers
Veterans and active duty service personnel, please stand while your branch of service is being honored. See the Music Box on page 3 for lyrics.

    “The Caisson Song” (Army)
    “Semper Paratus” (Coast Guard)
    “The Marines' Hymn” (Marines)
    “The U.S. Air Force” (Air Force)
    “Anchors Aweigh” (Navy)

Military Ministry Update and Prayer..................................................Mr. Tony Mayne
II Chronicles 7:14.............................................................The Rev. Brett Maddocks
If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek
my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will
forgive their sin and heal their land.

*Affirmation of Faith
We believe that God created the earth, and that everything in it belongs to him
We believe that he has given us this nation, and blessed us with freedom
and with plenty.
We believe that freedom and plenty carry certain responsibilities: that we
are to love justice and mercy, and walk humbly with our God; that we are
to share our gifts with those who have less, both in this nation and in
other nations; and that we are to live with gratitude, thanking God daily
for his divine favor.
We believe, therefore, that we cannot fully celebrate our independence
without remembering at the same time our dependence upon God and
exalting his name among the nations. There is no power like God’s.
Glory to God! Amen.

Hymn........................................ "This Is My Song" .........................FINLANDIA
This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My Country’s skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
but other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth’s kingdoms:
Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations;
myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

*Hymn.................................. "America the Beautiful" ..........................S.A. Ward
O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain;
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.
Prayer........................................................................................................... Rev. Maddocks

Anthem (Chancel Choir)................. “My America”.................................Joyce Bacak

The Written Word/Spoken Word........................................................................... Rev. Haygood

*The Hymn of Dedication............ “God Bless America”.....................Irving Berlin

God bless America, land that I love. Stand beside her and guide her
through the night with a light from above. From the mountains,
to the prairies to the oceans white with foam, God bless America,
my home sweet home. God bless America, my home sweet home.

*The Benediction/Table Blessing....................................................... Rev. Haygood

Postlude (Rojay Evans, Director)..... “Stars and Stripes Forever”...........John Philip Sousa

(St. Luke Orchestra Brass and Percussion)

(Please remain in place for the playing of the postlude)

*Standing as able

** See Music Box

Please follow the directions given by the pastor and join us immediately after
this service for lunch in this room!

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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.

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OUR PHONE NUMBERS

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

Ministry Center, 706-256-1017

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Music Box

“Armed Forces Salute” arr. Joyce Eilers

Army  Over hill, over dale, we have hit the dusty trail. And those Caissons go
rolling along. Counter march, right about, hear those wagon soldiers shout, while
those Caissons go rolling along. For it’s Hi! Hi! Hee! In the Field Artillery. Call off
your numbers loud and strong. And where’er we go, you will always know that
those Caissons are rolling along.

Coast Guard  We’re always ready for the call, we place our trust in Thee. Through
surf and storm and howling gale, high shall our purpose be. Semper Paratus is
our guide, our fame and glory, too. To fight, to save, or fight and die. Aye! Coast
Guard, we’re all for you!

Marines  From the halls of Montezuma, to the shores of Tripoli we fight our
country’s battles, in the air, on land and sea. First we’ll fight for right and freedom,
and to keep our honor clean. We are proud to claim the title of “United States
Marine.”

Air Force  Off we go into the wild blue yonder, climbing high into the sun; here
they come, zooming to meet our thunder, at ‘em boys, give ‘er the gun. Down we
dive, spouting our flame from under, off with one terrible roar! We live in fame or
got down in flame! Nothing can stop the U. S. Air Force.

Navy  Anchors aweigh, my boys, anchors aweigh. Farewell to college joys, we
sail at break of day, day, day, day. Through our last night on shore, hail to the foam
until we meet once more, here’s wishing you a happy voyage home.