Thad’s Thoughts

It is almost impossible to believe that it has been twenty years since that horrific day. September 11, 2001 is a day that we will never forget. Those of us who remember it can tell you where we were when we first heard the news. We all can tell stories about how it developed that morning. I was sitting in a staff meeting. When we first heard that a plane had hit the World Trade Center, we all envisioned a small, private plane that must have gotten out of control. Sad, but nothing to worry about. We went on about our business. Then, we heard that a second plane had hit the World Trade Center and things suddenly got very real. I remember huddling around a small television in the office as we watched in shock and awe.

Back in 2019, Laura and the girls and I visited the 9/11 Memorial in New York City. To say that it was moving would be an understatement. I finally got to a point where I couldn’t take in any more. I had to stop and take the next exit. The heaviness of all that happened on that day was so overwhelming.

Of course, we know that there is always heaviness in this world. Currently there is mass devastation in Louisiana. The people of Haiti feel as if their whole world has collapsed. Afghanistan is a sorrowful place. Heaviness still hangs over our world. Thus, we hold firmly to our faith. The Holy scripture never promises us that this world will be easy. In fact, Jesus tells us that it will always be a tough place to be. This is not our home, after all. Therefore, we can say with the Psalmist, “I will lift up my eyes to the hills, from there my help comes. My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth. He will preserve me from all evil, and he will preserve my soul.” In times of pain and sorrow, we as people of faith can find comfort for our souls when we look beyond this world into the heavenly realm. We know that although we have to endure pain and suffering in the here and now, joy comes in the morning. There is a better world to come in Jesus Christ.

Join me this Sunday as we focus on the statement, “I believe in the Holy Spirit.” It is the Holy Spirit who enables us to look to the heavens and it is the Holy Spirit who will lead us home. God bless you!

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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.

September 12, 2021
16th Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude................................. “How Great Thou Art” .......................arr. Dan Miller

Welcome and Opening Prayer.....................................................Rev. Thad Haygood

*Hymn............................................ “How Great Thou Art” ..................Number 77

***The Affirmation of Faith............... “The Apostles’ Creed” ................Rev. Brett Maddocks
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 (The Chancel Choir)............ “You Do Not Walk Alone” ............Elaine Hagenberg

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer .............................................Rev. 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.

*Hymn............................................ “O Word of God Incarnate” ..................Number 598

Offertory Prayer..................................................................................Rev. Haygood

Offertory ............................................ “Amazing Grace”
(Shana Monteith, soprano and Ken Bailey, piano)

*The Dedication of Offerings.................. “The Doxology”..............................Number 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Written Word............................................. John 14:23-29 (p. 103, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word.............. “I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT” ...........Rev. Haygood

*Hymn............................................ “Be Thou My Vision” ..........................Number 451

*The Benediction................................................................................Rev. Haygood

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

Postlude (Ken Bailey)................................. “Be Thou My Vision” ..................Improvisation

*Standing as able. **See Music Box *** quick means “living”; catholic means “universal”
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September 12
8:30 a.m.  Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)
9:00 a.m.  Contemporary Service (MIN) Live streamed at www.saintlukescolumbus.org
9:00 a.m.  CornerKidz K-3rd grade
9:45 a.m.  Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School (The Corner, MIN)
          College House Worship Service (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.saintlukescolumbus.org beginning at 11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. CornerKidz K-3rd grade
5-7:00 p.m. Middle and High Schoolers starts “Big God”
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Tuesday, September 14
7:00 a.m.  Men’s Prayer Breakfast (SD, MIN)
10:30 a.m. New Beginnings Fall Luncheon (SD, MIN)
7:00 p.m.  Bible Study Fellowship (Evening Women/Ministry Center Youth Room)

Wednesday, September 15
3:30 p.m.  Middle School Bible Study (After School)
4:45 p.m.  Children’s Choir (Choir Room)
5:30 p.m.  Wednesday Night Supper (MIN)
6:00 p.m.  Handbell Choir (Handbell Room)
7:00 p.m.  Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
7:30 p.m.  College House Fellowship and Bible Study (College House)

Thursday, September 16
12 Noon  Free College Lunch (College House)

COMING UP

Sunday, September 19
5-7:00 p.m. Sunday Night Study “A Journey thru Scripture” with Brett Maddocks
Main (main building, where Sanctuary is). MIN (Ministry Center). Contact the Ministry Center for information about renting or reserving rooms, 706-256-1017.

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 • Respite Care Ministry, 706-256-3117

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
Program: Wednesday Night Supper Kick-off
Doors open at 5:30 p.m. The serving line is open until 6:30 p.m. Please make or cancel reservations using the form below, by e-mailing jwidener@stlukeum.com, or by calling 706-256-1017 before noon on Monday.
Menu: Fried chicken, Smoked roast beef, casserole, mashed potatoes, salad, assorted desserts and rolls.

Name: _____________________________________________________________
Adults ($7.00) _______ Children ($3.00) __________ Daytime Phone: _______________________
Email: ___________________________________________________________

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WORSHIP IN SPANISH: 12:30 p.m. worship in Chapel.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Patriot’s Day, in memory of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, and the birthday of Peery Moran.

OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES: October 31, and November 21. For more information contact Maggie Roberson at 706-327-4343 or maggie@stlukeum.com.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: To Mr. and Mrs. Mickey (Heather) McAfee in the death of her grandmother, Mrs. Mollie Brinson, on August 20, 2021, in Ohio. To Ms. Mary Adams in the death of her mother, Linda Lee, on September 7, 2021, in Columbus, GA. Mary is a St. Luke employee. To Rev. and Mrs. Dick (June) Reese in the death of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Crista Reese, on September 8, 2021, in Florida.

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

Children, Youth, and Adults are invited to find their place in the Music Ministry. New members 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.

Children’s Choir rehearsals are at 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons in the Choir Room.

St. Luke Orchestra rehearses for specific events throughout the year.

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: “May you see God’s light on the path ahead when the road you walk is dark. May you always hear, even in your hour of sorrow, the gentle singing of the lark. When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone. May you always remember when the shadows fall – you do not walk alone.”

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IN MEMORIAM
Mrs. Edna Carol Black
August 26, 2021

Mr. Joseph Watkins Foster
September 2, 2021

Dr. Luther J. Smith II
September 4, 2021

Wanting to join St. Luke? Have just recently become a member? Been a member for a while but want to know how to dig deeper?

Rev. Brett Maddocks will be teaching a membership class called “Life @ St. Luke” starting September 15th during Wednesday Night Supper (5:30 – 7 PM).

Contact Rev. Maddocks, bmaddocks@stlukeum.com if you have any questions or want to sign up.
Corner Kidz is back! Corner Kidz is back! Children K through 3rd grade will be dismissed from the Nine and 11 o’clock services. Beginning today, Kindergarten Sunday School will meet in room 106, 1st and 2nd grade in room 108, 3rd grade upstairs in the Commons area, and 4th and 5th grade in Stockwell Hall.

Children’s choir begins on Wednesday, September 15 from 4:45-5:30 p.m. Please visit www.cornerkidz.com to register today!

Our nursery is hiring! We are prayerfully seeking compassionate and reliable caregivers 16 years and older to provide childcare for our church families on Sunday mornings. Interested applicants should contact Michelle Hubbard at mhubbard@stlukeum.com for both an application and details.

New Beginnings Fall Luncheon (All women are invited)  
Tuesday, September 14  
10:30 a.m.  
Small Dining Room (Ministry Center)  
Reservations to Julie 706-256-1017 by September 10  
$10 each  
Speaker: Susan Binns  
“The Armour of God.”

Do you love working with children?  
Join Our Ministry!  
We Are Hiring  
@ St. Luke  
Early Learning Center!  
Part-time and Full-time  
Positions Available  
Call 706-322-2703  
Send resume to jparker@stlukeum.com

New Sunday Night Study  
The Bible: A Journey Thru Scripture  
Sunday nights starting September 19 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.  
Contact Brett Maddocks (bmaddocks@stlukeum.com) for information or to sign up.

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MILITARY MINISTRY

The Military Ministry is pleased to sponsor CRU Military’s Reboot course on Wednesday nights after supper. Open to all active duty and veterans, this class focuses on spiritual healing after deployment.

“For information about volunteering with CRU Military team to serve basic trainees on post, please contact Nicole Mayne nmayne@stlukeum.com.”

“We are in immediate need of handwritten notes of encouragement for our basic training soldiers. Notes of encouragement, scriptures, or kids drawings are most welcome. Cards must be no larger than an index card or card folded to index card size. CRU is ministering to over 400 soldiers a week who would appreciate a card. Please drop off cards at the ROC or the main church building.”

FAMILY CAMP 2021 IS A GO!  
October 8-10, 2021  
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!  
saintlukecolumbus.org
**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.

**Meals on Wheels:** In memory of Mr. Claude T. Bass, Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Scott DeLoach.

**U.M.C.O.R.:** In memory of Mr. Claude T. Bass, Jr., Mr. Gabriel Denes, and Mrs. Eleanor Wooten by Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams.

**Samaritan Fund:** In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Denes, Mrs. Eleanor Wooten, and Mr. Claude T. Bass, Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. Norris Randall.

**S.A.W. Ministry:** In honor of the Discovery Class by Mrs. Joanne Cavis.

**Food Pantry:** In honor of the Discovery Class by Mrs. Joanne Cavis.

**Telephone Class Fund:** In memory of Mr. Claude T. Bass, Jr. by Miss Ailene Mooney.

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**College House**

A ministry for 18-24 year olds.

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**THE CORNER**

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

**Middle School Bible Study**, Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. (MIN

**Attention all middle schoolers and high schoolers!**

**Our Fall Series, Big God, Starts This Sunday Night!**

September 12th – 5-7PM

(Large Dining Room)

40 small groups led by High School Synthesis Leaders!

Amazing games, worship, and message!

We can’t wait to see you there!

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**THE INTENSIVE**

**High School Bible Study Coed Intensive**

Starting September 15th

Wednesday Nights at The Corner