Thad’s Thoughts

We have more ways of communicating than ever before. In addition to landline telephones, we have cell phones, tablets, and computers. With each of these devices, we can also do video chat, web conference, text messages, emails, and a plethora of social media platforms. We not only have the ability to communicate twenty four hours a day, we can communicate in multiple ways at one time around the world. However, with all of these ways of communicating, the question hangs out there, “Have we gotten better at communicating or have we actually gotten worse?” If we were to take a poll, the result would most likely show that we have gotten worse. For example, with the ease of texting we seem to have gotten worse at the art of conversation. Sitting on the front porch with a glass of lemonade somehow seems out of date when compared to the savviness of zipping through the airport while firing off text messages to multiple people at one time.

Maturity teaches us that nothing can replace a face to face conversation. Especially when the subject is not easy to talk about, face to face conversations often lead to breakthrough moments when true communication begins. Looking someone in the eyes, hearing the inflection in their voice, and sensing their tone are vitally important.

On that note, how is your communication with God? Do you ever sit down and have a one on one, honest conversation with the Heavenly Father? Matthew 11:28 says, “Keep company with me and you will learn to live lightly and freely.” God invites us to be in constant communication with Him. He doesn’t long to chat with us so that He can control us, He simply wants to be available and He wants to hear our voices.

One of the greatest things about communicating with God is that we are never out of range. We can never be in an area where there is no coverage. Greater still, we have unlimited access and it is always FREE! Spend time in conversation with God today and stay close to Him. That way, you won’t ever risk hearing God ask, “Can you hear me now?”

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October 10, 2021
20th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude (SLO) ......................... “Prelude on a Hymn of Praise” .................. arr. James Curnow
(Jim Evans, Conductor)

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

*Hymn ........................................ “God of Grace and God of Glory” .................. Number 577

***The Affirmation of Faith.................. “The Apostles’ Creed” ....................... Rev. Dick Reese
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) .... “Jesus My Lord, My Life, My All” .......... Bob Burroughs

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

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

Offertory Prayer ............................................................... Rev. Reese

Offertory (SLO) ........................... “A Blessed Hymn” .................... arr. Thomas Kahelin

*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 .................................................. 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (p. 155, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word .................................. “NO EXCUSES” ................................. Rev. Haygood

*Hymn ........................................ “Trust and Obey” ................................. Number 467

*The Benediction ....................... (8:30 a.m.) Rev. Reese (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Haygood

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

Postlude (8:30 a.m., Ken Bailey) ...... “God of Grace and God of Glory” ........ Improvisation
(11:00 a.m., SLO) ........................... “Prelude in Bb” ...................................................... Bach

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

Sunday, October 10
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
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.saintlukecolumbus.org beginning at 11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. CornerKidz K-3rd grade
5-7:00 p.m. Middle and High Schoolers “Big God”
           Sunday Night Study “A Journey through Scripture” with Brett Maddocks
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Monday, October 11 - St. Luke Campus is Closed for Columbus Day
(Church, School, Preschool and ELC)

Tuesday, October 12
7:00 a.m.  Men’s Prayer Breakfast (SD, MIN)/College House Men’s Small Group
9:30 a.m.  Women in the Word (Youth Room)
10:30 p.m. New Beginnings Meeting (Room 110, Main)
1:30 p.m.  Suzanne McCluskey’s Bible Study (Respite Care)
7:30 p.m.  Bible Study Fellowship (Evening Women/Ministry Center Youth Room)

Wednesday, October 13
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)
           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, October 14
12 Noon  Free College Lunch (College House)

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

Wednesday Fellowship Supper

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. The serving line is open until 6:30 p.m.

Menu: Fried chicken, lasagna, green beans, roasted potatoes, garlic breadsticks, salad and assorted desserts.

Name: __________________________________________________________________________
Adults ($7.00) _______ Children ($3.00) __________Daytime Phone: _____________________________
Email: __________________________________________________________________________

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

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

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

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, lasagna, green beans, roasted potatoes, garlic breadsticks, salad and assorted desserts.

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IN MEMORIAM
Mrs. Ann Moncus Lamb
October 3, 2021

Music Box
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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 Wed. evenings in the Choir Room.
Handbell Choir rehearsals are at 5:30 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: ‘J esus, my lord, my life, my all, hear me blessed savior when I call. Hear me, and from Thy dwelling place, pour down the riches of Thy grace. Jesus, too late I Thee have sought. How can I love Thee as I ought? And now extol Thy matchless fame, the glorious beauty of Thy name? Jesus, of Thee will be my song. To Thee my heart and soul belong. All that I have or own is Thine, and Thou, O blessed savior, Thou art mine. Jesus, my Lord, I Thee adore. O make me love Thee more and more.”

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

THE BIBLE
A JOURNEY THRU SCRIPTURE

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” during Wednesday Night Supper (5:30 – 7 P.M.). Contact Rev. Maddocks, bmaddocks@stlukeum.com if you have any questions or want to sign up.
Children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade will be dismissed from the Nine and 11 o’clock services for Corner Kidz. Also, Kindergarten Sunday School meets in room 108, 1st and 2nd grade in room 106, 3rd grade upstairs in the Commons area, and 4th and 5th grade in Stockwell Hall.

SAVE THE DATE! The St. Luke Fall Carnival will be held on Sunday, October 24th from 4-6 pm. There will be face painting, stilt walkers, balloon artists, inflatables, jugglers and even a magic show. You don’t want to miss it! Want to help? We are in need of volunteers to participate in our trunk or treat portion of the evening. Contact mhubbard@stlukeum.com for details.

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.

Please join the ST. LUKE FREE SPIRITS for a Tent Revival

Tuesday, October 19, 2021
11:30 a.m.
Cost $10

For reservations, contact Kym at 706-327-4343 or email kym@stlukeum.com

NEW BEGINNINGS
(All women invited)
October 12, 2021
10:30 a.m. (Room 110)
Speaker: Bobby Hydrick
Light lunch to follow
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.

Children's Ministry Fund: In honor of Mrs. Kym Harden and Mr. Mitch Watts by Mrs. Beth Foster Thomas.
Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Dr. Luther Smith by Ms. Ann Spencer. In memory of Mrs. Pat Chitwood by Mr. and Mrs. J ohn House and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Myers.
Respite Care: In memory of Mrs. Norma Little by Mrs. Kathy Riley. In memory of Mr. Claude T. Bass, Jr. by Mrs. Kathy Riley.
Telephone Class Fund: In memory of Mr. Claude T. Bass, Jr. by Mrs. Leita Coleman. In memory of Mr. Claude T. Bass, J r. and Mrs. Crista Reese by Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pottt.
Bereavement Ministry Fund: In memory of Gabriel and Patricia Denes by Mrs. Leita Coleman.
Discovery Class Fund: In memory of Mrs. Crista Reese by Mrs. Leita Coleman.
Fellowship/Jesus is Lord Class Fund: In memory of Mr. Don Farley by Mr. Whit Blackmon.
Samaritan Fund: In memory of Mrs. Pat Chitwood by Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams and Ms. Nancy Pedersen.
December First Saturday: In memory of Mrs. Pat Chitwood by Mr. and Mrs. Rick Anthony.
General Fund: In memory of Mrs. Pat Chitwood by Mr. and Mrs. Bill McWhirter.

Military Ministry

The military ministry is offering the first 100 active-duty military children registered for Fall Carnival half-off the $10 admission. Register for your kids’ $5 wristband at https://bit.ly/3oqvJ04 or return your paper form with “military” written at the top.

In October, we are collecting individually wrapped bags of cookies for basic trainees and chaplains. We continue to collect 4x6 notes of encouragement for soldiers. Please drop off all donations in the box by Kym Harden’s desk in the main sanctuary.

For information about volunteering with St Luke’s CRU Military team to serve basic trainees on post or to volunteer with the military ministry, please contact Nicole Mayne nmayne@stlukeum.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY, Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. AND during Wednesday night supper.

ATTENTION ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS!
OUR FALL SERIES, BIG GOD, CONTINUES THIS SUNDAY NIGHT!
October 10th – 5-7:00 PM (Large Dining Room)
Amazing small groups led by High School Synthesis Leaders! Fun games, great worship, and a powerful message! We can’t wait to see you there!

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY COED INTENSIVE
JOIN US WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 PM AT THE CORNER!

“Check out our NEW MERCH! Make sure to grab a $10 hat, $10 T-shirt, or $25 hoodie before they run out!”

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