March is the month of green. Plants start to turn green again. Our cars will soon be covered in pollen which makes them all turn green. Mid-month everyone will don their green outfits for St. Patrick’s Day. Green is a happy and cheerful color that reminds us of new life. Spring is in the air!

For Christians, the color is also purple right now. Purple symbolizes royalty and honor. Traditionally the paraments on the altar, the pulpit, and the pastor’s robe are purple for Lent in remembrance of our royal king Jesus. All honor and glory is his because of the sacrifice that he made for us on the cross. As we reflect on all that Jesus has done for us, it calls us into a place of repentance. Why would Jesus do that for me? It should have been me nailed to that cross for my sin, not him. However, the deed has already been done on our behalf. Therefore, all we can do is repent, give thanks, and seek to live a life worthy of such a gift.

This brings us back around to the color green. When we fully come to realize the sacrifice that Jesus made for us personally, we are then moved to repent and worship. Through repentance and worship we grow. We take on new life! Like a plant that has been dormant through the cold, dark winter, once our souls are pollenated with the freshness of God, new life begins. As the beautiful Hymn of Promise says, “In the bulb there is a flower, in the seed an apple tree. In cocoons a hidden promise, butterflies will soon be free. In the cold and snow of winter, there’s a spring that waits to be, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.”

You and I are bulbs, designed to receive God’s goodness and love. During the season of Lent, how will you open your life up to God’s goodness? How will you worship the royal king? Where has your life become dark and dormant? What can you lay down in sacrifice to Him? There is a spring that waits to be revealed through your life. Open yourself up to the fullness of God and see your life bloom and grow!

Thad Haygood, Senior Pastor
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 20, 2022
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

*Prelude..................... "Fantasia on O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" ...........Richard Purvis
(Ken Bailey, organ)

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

*Hymn.............................. “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” ....................Number 286

***The Affirmation of Faith............ “The Apostles' Creed” ..............Rev. Haygood
(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Haygood
(11:00 a.m.) 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)........... “Arise, My Soul, Arise” .......................Dan Forrest
Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer...........(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Haygood (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Maddocks

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will shall 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....................... “Amen III” ........................................Marc Boensel

The Children’s Sermon......................(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Haygood (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Maddocks

*Hymn................................... “Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed” .....................Number 294

Offertory Prayer............................(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Haygood (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Maddocks

Offertory............................................ “This Little Light of Mine” ....................Mark Hayes
(Ken Bailey and Karen Lewis, 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.............................. Mark 14:53-64 (p.49 , NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word.............. "24 HOURS: THE COURTROOM " ................Rev. Haygood

*Hymn....................................... “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” ..................Number 297

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

Choral Benediction Response (11:00 a.m.)..... “Lenten Amen” .........................Marc Boensel

Postlude.......................................... “Toccata on Crucifer”.........................arr. David C. Brinson

*Standing as able.

**See Music Box

*** quick means "living"; catholic means "universal"
ST. LUKE FREE SPIRITS
Please join us for a day trip at
Columbus Botanical Garden
Tuesday, April 19, 2022
10:00 a.m.
Cost: $20, lunch included
Meet at Columbus Botanical Garden,
tour the gardens, lunch on the patio
For reservations, contact Kym at 706-327-4343
or email kym@stlukeum.com

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, March 20
8:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary, Main)
9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (MIN) Live streamed at www.saintlukecolumbus.org
CornerKidz K-3rd Grade
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/ Children's Choir (Choir Room)
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
12:30 p.m. Worship in Spanish (Turner Chapel, Main)
5-6:00 p.m. Corner/Crosswalk (LD, MIN)
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Tuesday, March 22
7:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast (SD, MIN)
9:30 a.m. Women in the Word (Youth Room)
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
1:30 p.m. Soul Sisters Bible Study (College House)
7:00 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship (The Meeting Room)

Wednesday, March 23
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
3:30 p.m. Middle School Bible Study (After School)
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper (MIN)
Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Handbell Room, Main)
6:30 p.m. Girls’ High School Bible Study (The Corner, MIN)
Boys’ High School Bible Study (The Amos’ House)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room, Main)
7:30 p.m. College House Fellowship and Bible Study (College House)

Thursday, March 24
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
12 Noon Free College Lunch (College House)

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

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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, smoked roast beef, green beans, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls and assorted desserts.

Name: ___________________________________________________________
Adults ($7.00) _______ Children ($3.00) _______ Daytime Phone: ________________
Email: ___________________________________________________________

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**Concert Series!** After a two-year hiatus, our chamber music series returns to the Sanctuary on April 3, 2022 at 4pm. The St. Luke Chamber Players will perform Gounod’s *Petite Symphonie* and Mozart’s *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*. This concert is free with donations accepted to benefit the concert series.

Today’s anthem: "Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears. The bleeding sacrifice in my behalf appears. Before the throne my surety stands, my name is written on his hands. Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary. They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me, 'Forgive them, O forgive, they cry, nor let that ransomed sinner die.' My God is reconciled, his voice I hear, he owns his child, I can no longer fear, with confidence I now draw nigh and 'Abba, father' cry. Arise, my soul, arise!"

**CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (THE NINE):** 9:00 a.m., Ministry Center, Rev. Brett Maddocks preaching.

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mrs. Mary Elsie Martin for her birthday by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sessions and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Martin and their families.

**OPEN FLOWER DATES:** March 27, April 3, July 17 and July 31. For more information on other open dates contact Maggie Roberson at 706-327-4343 or maggie@stlukeum.com.

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**IN MEMORIAM**
Kathryn Schiavone
March 13, 2022

**NEW MEMBERS:** Mr. and Mrs. Patrick (Kelly) Howard and their daughter, Conner Jeanne, come by transfer of their membership from another denomination. Their son, Allen Franklin, joined by confirmation this past Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds (Tara) Saunders come by transfer of their membership from another United Methodist Church. Their son, Walker, comes by profession of faith. Their twin sons, Graham and Harrison, joined by confirmation this past Sunday.

**DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**
St. Luke Church is prayerfully seeking a new Director of Children's Ministry. This person must be a committed disciple of Jesus Christ, who is compassionate and self-motivated, and will be a loving leader to guide our Children’s Ministry from birth through fifth grade. Qualifications for this full-time position are experience in Children's Ministry and at least a Bachelor's Degree. This person should have a calling from God to serve children, their families and the adults who will disciple these children. The ideal candidate should have strong leadership abilities and excellent interpersonal skills, be a team player, and have the ability to recruit, inspire, develop and empower a team of ministry volunteers. The right person must have the ability to create a vision for Children's Ministry and be dedicated to leading children to become disciples for Jesus Christ. Responsibilities include managing and overseeing the entire Children’s Ministry, including church nurseries, children's Sunday School, children's church, Sunday night activities, Wednesday night activities, children's choir, and seasonal events, such as Christmas programs, Easter programs, Vacation Bible School, and St. Luke Summer Camp. Interested persons should send resume and cover letter to: Kelly Pridgen at kpridgen@stlukeum.com.
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.

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.

Upcoming Study and Fellowship Opportunity for St Luke Women

June 3rd - 5th, 2022
The Cove (Billy Graham Center)
in Asheville, NC

Made to Crave
Speaker: Lisa Harper

Join us as we learn how to have the active, redemptive, up-close and personal, REAL relationship with Jesus Christ our souls crave!

$75 deposit reserves your spot (only 20 spots available)

For more information contact Mary Pat Beckum @ 229-942-6909 or jrbeckum@aol.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.

SLSC
Shocco Springs - Talladega, Alabama
Friday, June 17th - Monday, June 20th

Volunteers needed, register at cornerkidz.com
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.

U.M.C.O.R. Ukraine: In honor of Mrs. Laura Haygood by Circle One. In honor of Mrs. Annette Pollock on her birthday by Ms. Kay Custer. In honor of Miss Ailene Mooney by the Fellowship/ Jesus is Lord Class. In memory of Mr. Scott McGurk by Mr. and Mrs. Morris Wynn.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In memory of Mrs. Mary Anna Howard Walker by Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brantley. In memory of Mr. Bill Whatley by Ms. Susan Wiedeman, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holton. In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register.

Higher Education Scholarship Fund: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mrs. Annette Pollock, Cindy Ross and the Dan Ross Family, Mrs. Judy Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Culbret, the Bereavement Committee, and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Doggett.

Samaritan Fund: In memory of Mr. Charles Collins by Mrs. Annette Pollock, Ms. Susan Wiedeman, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holton. In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register.

Music Scholarship Fund: In memory of Mr. Charles Collins by Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register. In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mrs. Mildred McAfee.

Discovery Class Fund: In memory of Mr. Charles Collins by Dr. and Mrs. David Peed.

Respite Care: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crew.

St. Luke ELC: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Motos.

Open Door Fund: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hutchens.

Samaritan’s Purse: In honor of Mr. Blane Woodfin for his birthday by Mr. Ken Woodfin.

College House

Free Lunch Thursday’s

Stay and eat or take a plate to go!

Contact k davidson@stlukeum.com for more information

IG @collegehouse

Facebook: College House Ministries

The Corner

MS Bible study immediately after school on Wednesday

HS Girls' Bible study is 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Corner

HS Boys' Bible study is 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Tripp and Jenifer Amos' house

Souled Out Summer information coming soon!

They triumphed over him by the blood of the lamb and by the word of their testimony they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death

Revelation 12:11