Thad's Thoughts

For the season of Lent, we have been walking through the final 24 hours of the life of Jesus. As we have walked these steps with Jesus, we have felt the pressure mounting. We first got a glimpse of the tension when we heard him say from the Upper Room, “This is my body which is broken for you.” Later, as Jesus entered the Garden of Gethsemane, we watched him fall on his face and we heard him cry out to God, “Father, let this cup pass from me.” Now that we know the entire story, we can feel and hear the pressure in those words. The tension was building with each step of the journey. Jesus was preparing to go to the cross where his body would be broken and his blood poured out. This coming Sunday, we arrive at his crucifixion. The pinnacle of tension and desperation.

As followers of Christ, we can sense his human pain and anguish. How many times have you said, “I don’t think that I can go through with this.” Perhaps you have even prayed aloud, “God, please make another way.” We know what pressure and tension feel like, and we have the comfort of knowing that our Savior does as well.

I remember vividly singing in the choir of one of our former churches. We were singing the very sad and dark music of Good Friday, the day of the crucifixion. As we were singing that great hymn, Were You There? I could see a retired pastor as he sang. He was visibly weeping as we sang those words because he felt the pain and sorrow of Christ so deeply. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

The pain of this story causes us to pause because we must face the question for ourselves. If I were part of the crowd who surrounded Jesus during these final moments, would I have done anything to try and stop it? Would I have spoken up for my Lord and Savior? As the old spiritual expresses, “Sometimes, it causes me to tremble. Tremble, tremble.” I’ll see you Sunday as we meet Jesus at the cross.

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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.

April 3, 2022  

5th Sunday in Lent

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


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

*Hymn........................................... “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”..................Number 301

***The Affirmation of Faith.......... “The Apostles’ Creed” (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)................ “When Hope Fell Silent”..................Mary McDonald

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer...........(8:30 a.m.) Rev. Haygood, (11:00 a.m.) Rev. Maddocks

r 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....................... “Amen III” ........................................Marc Boensel

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

*Hymn........................................... “Ah, Holy Jesus”.................................Number 289

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

Offertory (Piano/Organ duet)......... “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”..................Albin Whitworth

*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 15:25-39 (p. 50, NT in pew Bible)

The Spoken Word........................... “24 HOURS: THE CRUCIFIXION” .........Rev. Haygood

*Hymn........................................... “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” ...............Number 298

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

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

Postlude........................................... “Ah, Holy Jesus”..............................Organ Improvisation

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

Sunday, April 3
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)
4:00 p.m. St. Luke Chamber Players Concert
11:30 p.m. Pre-recorded broadcast of The Nine worship service, WTVM Channel 9

Monday, April 4 SLS on Spring Break
10:30 a.m. Circle One Meeting (Meeting Room, MIN)

Tuesday, April 5
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, April 6
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper (MIN)
Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Handbell Room, Main)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room, Main)
7:30 p.m. College House Fellowship and Bible Study (College House)

Thursday, April 7
10:00 a.m. On-Site Respite (1021 Third Ave.)
12 Noon Free College Lunch (College House)

Friday, April 8
10:00 a.m. ELC Easter Parade

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

UPPER ROOMS for March & April
Devotional books are now available in the Narthex and the Parlor. Regular print is $1.00. Large print is $2.00.

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
(No children’s programming or nursery available due to Spring Break)
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, beef tips, green beans, rice, salad, rolls and assorted desserts.

Name: ________________________________________________________________
Adults ($7.00) _______ Children ($3.00) __________ Daytime Phone: _____________________________
Email: ___________________________________________________________________________

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The Music Fund provides support to the whole music ministry for special needs and projects that lie outside of the regular annual budget. Gifts to the Music Fund directly benefit the quality of the music in worship at St. Luke.

Concert Today! The St. Luke Chamber Players will be in concert this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, featuring music by Gounod and Mozart. Free, with donations accepted to support the concert series.

Today’s anthem: “When hope fell silent on that day, the sinless Savior died. He drank the cup, His blood poured out, and mercy opened wide. O Man of Sorrows, abandoned here, our debt too great to pay. With broken body upon the cross, He’ll bear our sins away. Hope fell silent. A dreadful darkness on the land, the King of Glory dies. The spotless Lamb is sacrificed and judgement satisfied. Hope fell silent.”

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.

ALTER FLOWERS: The beautiful flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God by the Discovery Class.

IN MEMORIAM
Mr. Daniel D. Darrah
March 24, 2022

SAVE THE DATE
Women’s Ministry
Who’s on the Couch?
From Anxiety to Trust
Sunday, May 1st
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
St. Luke Ministry Center
Cost: $10
More information soon!

NEW BEGINNINGS
MEETING & LUNCH
Tuesday, April 12, 2022
10:30 a.m. (Room 110)
Speaker: Amy Ward
Join us for lunch (All ladies invited)

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

Easter Schedule 2022
THURSDAY, APRIL 14
Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL 15
Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m.
SUNDAY, APRIL 17
Regular Schedules for Worship and Sunday School
WORSHIP AT 8:30, 9:00, AND 11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 10:00 A.M.
Sunday School for children K through 5th will be combined all month in Stockwell Hall.

**VBS registration is OPEN!** Hope your child will join us July 18th through the 22nd as we Make Waves and explore what we do today can change the world around us. Be sure to visit www.cornerkidz.com to register for both preschool and elementary VBS. It's going to be AWESOME!

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**UP-COMING EVENTS**

**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.

**ST. LUKE FREE SPIRITS**

*Epworth by the Sea*

May 4 - 6th, 2022  
Space is limited!

Your payment in full holds your spot.  
**Cost:** Single - $470/person  
Double - $350/person  
For reservations to either of these events, contact Kym at 706-327-4343 or email kym@stlukeum.com.

**RESPITE MINISTRY** is in need of additional volunteers on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. If you are interested reach out to Kathryn Fussell, Director 706.256.3117 or kfussell@stlukeum.com.

**ST. LUKE SUMMER CAMP (SLSC)** is an overnight church camp for girls and boys who have completed 3rd - 6th grade.  
This year we will travel by charter bus to Shocco Springs in Talladega, Alabama for our weekend retreat. Space is limited per grade and early bird pricing ends, APRIL 15TH.
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.

Memorial Maintenance Fund: In honor of Rev. Thad Haygood by Mrs. Adelaide H. McGurk. In memory of Dr. Champ Baker by Mr. Kevin Harcourt, Ms. Peggy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Norris, Mrs. Judith Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ogie, Mr. and Mrs. J. Madden Hatcher, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Edward Jeffries, Mr. and Mrs. William Slaughter, Dr. and Mrs. Hollis Daniel Sigman, and Mr. Frank Romeo. In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman and Dr. Champ Baker by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Massey.

Samaritan Fund: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Corradino. In memory of Dr. Champ Baker by Mrs. Carolyn Cartledge.

Samaritan’s Purse/Ukraine: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman and Dr. Champ Baker by Mrs. and Mr. Bryan Newman.

Discovery Class Fund: In memory of Mr. Charles Collins by the Office of Theology, Formation and Evangelism of the Presbyterian Church, USA.

UMCOR/Ukraine: In memory of the St. Luke Staff by Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Register. In honor of Mrs. Peggy Ledford and in memory of Mr. Charles Collins and Dr. Bill Hortman by the New Beginnings UMW.

Food Pantry: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Mr. Billy Cunningham.

S.A.W. Ministry: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Ruby Ladies Bible Study.

NOW Class Fund: In memory of Dr. Bill Hortman by Marsha and Leon Belk.

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College House

Free Lunch Thursdays: 12 Noon-1:30 p.m. Stay and eat or take a plate to go!

The BIBLE PROJECT: Monday at 7 p.m.

Mid-Week Service
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

Contact kdavidson@stlukeum.com for more information

Follow us on Instagram @collegehouse_ or Facebook at College House Ministries.

Visit us Monday or Wednesday at 7 p.m. or during Sunday School at 1030 2nd Ave.

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Senior Sunday Recognition Form: https://www.thecornerstudents.com/resources

Souled Out Summer: https://www.thecornerstudents.com/souledout