

Members

December 16, 2018

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

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

We are currently updating our Guidebook and Church Directory for 2019. If your address or phone has changed, please check this box and include new information.

I would like more information about serving in the following areas:

Ministry

Children Youth
 Young Adult Recreation
 Music Older Adults

Service

Food Ministries Hospitality
 Congregational Care
 Transportation

Spiritual Growth

Sunday School Bible Study
 Small Groups Activity Groups

Worship

Usher Choir
 Communion Greeter

Other

All are Welcome at St. Luke's!

Worship on Sundays
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School Classes

9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Time - 10:30 a.m.
Join us in the Hospitality Hall for coffee, donuts, and fellowship!
(Between Sunday School and worship.)

Ministry Staff

Jim McKinney, *Pastor*
Harry Colter, *Pastoral Assistant*
Terri Theil, *Music Ministry/Children's Ministry*
Wes Kirkpatrick, *Organist*
David Day Sr., *Christian Life Center and Senior Adults*
Vickey Hobbs, *Business Manager*
Ashley Scott, *Challengers*
Beth Ryan, *Youth/Young Adult Ministry*
Tim Taylor, *Facilities Manager*
Donna Thurmond, *Communications/Event Coordinator*
Amy Turman, *Day School*

To contact staff by email:
[first name].[last name]
@stlukesumc.org

Send announcements for the Sunday bulletin or monthly newsletter to donna.thurmond@stlukesumc.org.

GIVING APP

"GivePlus Church" is a mobile giving app that enables you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your smartphone. Download the GivePlus Church app from the App Store or Google Play. Thank you for supporting St. Luke's.

This Week at St. Luke's

Sunday, December 16

Community Breakfast: 8:00-8:30 a.m., FH
Lessons & Carols: 11:00 a.m.
Under 12/Under 16 Basketball: 1:00-3:00 p.m., Gym
Youth Progressive Dinner: 4:00-8:00 p.m.

Monday, December 17

Sit & Be Fit: 9:00-10:00 a.m., CLC 103
Under 16 Basketball: 5:00-7:15 p.m., Gym
Glad Helpers Prayer Group: 5:30-7:30 p.m., Parlor
Finance Meeting: 6:00-7:00 p.m., Library

Tuesday, December 18

Morning Basketball: 6:30-8:00 a.m., Gym
UMW Mary-Rachel Circle: 10:30 a.m.-noon, Highland Terrace
Pickleball: 12:00-2:00 p.m., Gym
Under 10 Basketball: 5:45-7:15 p.m., Gym
Boy Scouts: 6:30-8:00 p.m., Scout Hut
Cub Scouts: 6:30-7:30 p.m., Chapel/2nd floor

Wednesday, December 19

Morning Basketball: 6:30-8:00 a.m., Gym
Day School Christmas Program: 9:30-10:30 a.m., Sanctuary
Day School Cookie Party: 10:30-11:30 a.m., FH
Yoga With Ann: 5:15-6:15 p.m., Parlor
Advent Fellowship and Caroling: 5:45-6:30 p.m., FH
Under 18 Basketball: 5:45-7:15 p.m., Gym
Chancel Choir: 6:30-8:00 p.m., Choir Room
Young Adult Basketball: 7:20-8:50 p.m., Gym

Thursday, December 20

Challengers Camp: 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Sit & Be Fit: 8:45-9:45 a.m., Gym
Food Pantry: 9:30-12:00 p.m., CLC 108
Craft Club: 12:00-4:00 p.m., CLC 103
Under 8 Basketball: 5:45-7:15 p.m., Gym
Young Adult Gathering: 6:00-9:00 p.m., Lounge

Friday, December 21

Challengers Camp: 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 22

Saturday Supper: 4:30-5:30 p.m., FH
Church Offices will be closed from December 24 until January 2.

MB: Main Building FH: Fellowship Hall
CB: Children's Building CLC: Christian Life Center

SILVER SNEAKERS STARTS JANUARY 7

It's now easier than ever to live a healthy, active lifestyle at any age. The SilverSneakers FLEX® program is bringing fitness, fun and friends right to St. Luke's. And it's FREE for SilverSneakers members, \$2 per person for non Silver Sneakers Members. Group fitness classes will include Sit & Be Fit on Monday and Thursdays, SS Chair Yoga on Tuesdays, and SS Circuit on Wednesdays. All classes are 9-10 a.m. in the Christian Life Center. Contact April Carpenter at 378-0504 for more information.

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December 16, 2018

*Third Sunday in Advent
Lessons & Carols*



Our Mission Statement

We are becoming a faithful community of disciples striving to share the heart, mind and hands of Jesus Christ with ALL people.

A Service of Lessons and Carols

December 16, 2018 • 11:00 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Harry Colter

Liturgist

Robert Hollingsworth

Prelude

Carol of the Bells
Wesley Bells
ARR. MCCHESENEY

Call to Worship

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always.

People: We come to worship and rejoice.

Leader: Again, I say “rejoice!”

People: We come to worship and rejoice!

Leader: Let your gentleness be known to everyone.

People: We come to worship and rejoice.

Leader: The Lord is near!

All: We come to worship and rejoice the One who is with us!

Processional Hymn *Once in Royal David's City*
(verse 1, solo; Ronnie Gilmer, congregation v. 2-6)

Advent Wreath Candle Lighting

*O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.*

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Word and Wonder (11:00 a.m.) *Away in a Manger* (verse 1) UMH 217
*Children come down for children's sermon during Away in the Manger.
Afterwards, children ages 3 years-3rd graders may leave for Children's Church.*

First Lesson Genesis 3:8-19 Robert Hollingsworth

Carol *Still, Still, Still* Wesley Bells
ARR. CATHY MOKLEBUST

Second Lesson Genesis 22:15-18 Susan Dacus

***Carol** *Love Came Down at Christmas* UMH 242

Third Lesson Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 Phyllis Gay

***Carol** *O Come All Ye Faithful* UMH 234

Fourth Lesson Isaiah 11:1-3a, 4a, 6-9 Harry Colter

Carol *What Sweeter Music Can we Bring* JOHN RUTTER
Chancel Choir

Fifth Lesson Luke 1:26-35, 38 Lauren Daughtry

***Carol** *The First Noel* UMH 245

Sixth Lesson Luke 2:1, 3-7 Cathy Bowsher

Song *Nativity Carol* JOHN RUTTER
Chancel Ensemble

Seventh Lesson Luke 2:8-16 Terri Theil

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer

Generous God, we thank you for bringing us to this season of hope, peace and joy. Let gratitude well up in our hearts and overflow in generosity to others. Help us to see ways that we can joyfully share what you have given. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory *Joy To The World* ARR. KENNETH VARNER
Wes Kirkpatrick

Doxology UMH 94

Eighth Lesson Matthew 2:1-12 Virginia Wages

Carol *There is Faint Music* DAN FORREST
Chancel Choir

Ninth Lesson John 1:1-14 Pastor Jim McKinney

***Closing Hymn** *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* UMH 240

***Benediction** *Rejoice! Rejoice!*
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Postlude *Angels We Have Heard on High* ARR. GESCHKE
Wesley Bells

*Stand as able

UMH: Blue Hymnal TFWS: Black Hymnal W&S: Green Hymnal CCLI 11116308

Wesley Bells: Rick Sieger, Mary Sieger, Mary Lou Cushing, B.J. Webster, Carol Likens, Ruth Morrison, Kim McGrath, Shelley Momany, Debbie Cargile, Ruth Ann Sanford

Wednesday Night Fellowship and Caroling

Wednesday, December 19 • 5:45-6:30 p.m.

Join us for a light supper followed by the singing of Christmas carols and a brief devotional by Rev. Jim McKinney. Cost is \$5 each. Call the church office for reservations.

Worship Services

Sunday, December 23 • 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight • Monday, December 24 • 5:00 p.m.

Prayers of the People

Frank Marion, Vickey Hobbs, Barbara Johnson, Thomas Day, Hunter Parham (Robert Hollingsworth's stepfather), Bob Hendrix, Alex Wofford, Dorothy Ham, Betty Fly, Carol Smith, Wayne Bengston, Mary Lou Theil, Jim Burch, Jr., Danny Hobbs, Lucinda Biller, Gil Herren

Friends coping with cancer:

Charlie Palmer, Oliver Strickland, Susan Lowry, Jennifer Cottam, Brenda Blackwell, Don Day, Lynn Manley, Oma Strickland, Lisa Manning, Melanie Semore, Michelle Heck, Mrs. Vick, Eugene Callaway, Edna Poletti

Homebound friends this week:

Helen Wofford, Fred and Joyce Allen, Grover and Mary Bowles

Sympathy

To the family of Trudy Roberts (cousin of Steve Ragsdale), who passed away December 6.

To submit or update a prayer request please fill out the yellow prayer card in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate or send an email to Janie Hendrix at prayer.request@stlukesumc.org.

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

(Ephesians 6:18)

We are glad you are here to worship with us today.

Everyone is a child of God, and at St. Luke's we believe we are here to share Christ, serve all people in our community and love as Jesus loved.

If you are visiting today, please register your attendance by completing the information below.

Visitors

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Name (s): _____

Age group (*circle one*)

18-26 27-40 41-55 56-65 66-up

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Do you have children or youth? Y N

Please check all that apply:

First time visitor Returning visitor

Regular attendee

I would like to know more about becoming a member of St. Luke's.

I would like to speak with a pastor.

I would like to know more about Jesus Christ and the Christian faith.

How do you prefer to be contacted?

Phone Email Text

Meet for Coffee Home Visit

How did you hear about St. Luke's?

I would like to receive the following e-newsletters:

___ *The Epistle* (monthly news)

___ Children's Ministry

___ Youth Ministry