wherever you are on your spiritual journey, st. luke's welcomes you

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August brings blessings and treats!





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The road is made by walking.

My spouse Elizabeth's company is called Camino Public Relations. Camino from the poem "Caminante, No Hay Camino" by Antonio Machado. One translation of the poem begins "Traveler, there is no road, the road is made by walking." When Elizabeth was starting the company, the poem came to mind as we were talking about what it would mean to build a company that could take the long view on doing good.

We feel like travelers again today. The movers have come. Stella and Carlos, the Springer Doodles, look concerned. There are many insignificant details to take care of so that we can do this journey right. This particular journey only gets us to somewhere before the starting line of joining you at St. Luke's in August.

I am so excited to join you all. St. Luke's has been in my prayers for over a year now, as I have been listening to who you are; what you worry about; and what you are dreaming of for your future together. By all accounts, you are a community that has been richly blessed with faith, people, skill, and vision.

For me, the past year and a half has felt like standing still while the winds conceal all of the paths ahead, the ones we had planned to follow, and sometimes even the ones behind that we had just travelled. We have been forced to make a new way, and I wonder if there isn't some blessing in that The profound divisions and injustices at the heart of our lives together seem to have been revealed by those same winds. We have what feels like a once in a generation opportunity to create new and better ways to be in community.

I hope we can take the time to learn well from the year that has passed, remember, grieve, and move forward with courage, curiosity, and maybe some joy towards that unknowable future. If the road is made by walking, I am happy to be on this journey with you to mark a path as wide and welcoming as the table of God's grace.

The Rev. Winnie Varghese *Rector*

Inaugural Sermon St. Luke's 23rd Rector Sunday, August 8 8 am | 10 am

Reception to follow both services.

Come welcome Winnie!





Pollowing the success of our first season, Music at St. Luke's continues with a wonderful array of performances by internationally acclaimed artists. The series begins on Friday, October 29, at 7:30 p.m., with a concert featuring internationally acclaimed cellist, Guy Johnston, with pianist Chiao-Wen Cheng. Their performance, sponsored by Claire and Gordon May, will feature music by J.S. Bach, Edvard Greig, Olivier Messiaen, and the US premiere of Joseph Phibbs' *Sonata for Cello and Piano*, composed in 2021 for Johnston.

In addition to several spectacular recitals by Ahreum Han and Stephen Tharp on the Alston Memorial Organ, the sonic brilliance of two instruments recently acquired by St. Luke's will also be featured. These instruments include a 1910 Steinway grand piano and a single manual harpsichord built by Richard Kingston. The series will once again include Lunchtime Live! – a mini-series of informal 30-minute concerts during the season of Advent. In May, the choirs of All Saints' and St. Luke's will combine for a beautiful service of Choral Evensong. The series concludes with the second annual Concert for a Cause featuring acclaimed baritone Sidney Outlaw accompanied at the piano by Warren Jones, a collaborator of international renown. This concert will benefit the mission of Lost-N-Found, a non-profit organization which seeks to end homelessness for LGBTQ youth in Atlanta.

Please continue to support our artistic offerings with your presence and by joining our Friends of Music. I look forward to welcoming you to many of these events.

Matthew Michael Brown Director of Music





CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021-2022

Friday, October 29, 2021, 7:30 p.m. Cellist Guy Johnston and pianist Chiao-Wen Cheng

November 28, 4 p.m. Advent Lessons and Carols

Friday, December 3, 12 p.m. Georgia State University Guitar Studio

Friday, December 10, 12 p.m. Pianist Portia Shuler Hawkins

Friday, December 17, 12 p.m. Atlanta Jazz Trio

Friday, February 25, 2022, 7:30 p.m. Organist Stephen Tharp

Sunday, March 6 4:15 p.m. Organ Recital by Ahreum Han 5:00 p.m. Choral Evensong

Friday, April 1, 7:30 p.m. Pianist Matthew Manwarren

Sunday, May 15
4:15 p.m.
Recital by Cain-Oscar Bergeron,
baroque flutist
5:00 p.m.
Choral Evensong
Sung by the Adult Choirs of All Saints' and
St. Luke's Episcopal Churches

Friday, May 20, 7:30 p.m. 2nd Annual Concert for a Cause benefitting Lost-N-Found and featuring baritone Sidney Outlaw and pianist Warren Jones





BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER, SUNDAY MORNINGS AT ST. LUKE'S WILL FOLLOW THIS SCHEDULE:

8am Rite I
9am Sunday School for all ages
10am Rite II
11:30am Youth programming (EYC/Choir),
Meetings, Fellowship for Adults



Registration begins August 15

After safely spending so much time apart, the theme for this year's Parish Retreat is "Together." Mark your calendars and join us as we spend time together as a Parish in the North Carolina mountains. Dates are November 19 - 21, 2021.

Registration, online or on paper, starts August 15. Be sure to register early to receive the discounted rate!

More information, including the speaker for the weekend, will be coming out in the next few weeks. If you have any questions contact Horace Griffin or Kanuga co-chairs Montserrat Miller and Mignon Crawford.

SERVE THROUGH WORSHIP

Are you interested in assisting in our worship services? As we enter into the fall, now is the perfect time to join in our worship ministries. We are always seeking new volunteers to serve as lectors whose responsibility is to prepare and read one of the lessons; and ushers who greet people warmly and distribute the bulletins, help people find their way around our spaces to the bathrooms or the nursery, distribute the offering plates, etc; or on the adult acolyte team. If you are curious about any of these ministries, please contact Elizabeth Shows Caffey (elizabeth@stlukesatlanta.org).

Adult Acolyte training - Sunday August 29 at 9 am *in the Nave.*



Monday, Aug 2 at 6 p.m.

Our hosts are Eric Robbins and the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta. The vigils are offered on a monthly schedule and leadership rotates among the interfaith community. This is a very meaningful time of prayer and reflection - you will be glad you took the time!

Click for Zoom link.>>>



READY FOR Rite 13?



The Rite 13 ceremony, a lovely liturgy held during a Sunday Eucharist service, marks a young person's transition from childhood to adulthood. We hold this ceremony once or twice a year, and are planning one for the coming months. Youth who have not participated in the ceremony and who are 13 years old (or turning 13 in the next month or so) are encouraged to participate in our next ceremony. Please contact Liz Beal Kidd by email (liz@stlukesatlanta.org). She has more details and is anxious to know you (or your child) are interested in participating.

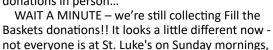


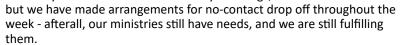
- Acolyte Captain training will be on Sunday August 22 at 9am.
- All Youth Acolyte training will be on Sunday, August 29 at 11:30am. We will feed and train all youth acolytes on this day.



Resumes in person at St. Luke's starting Sunday, August 8 at 10 AM.

Remember when we used to be in person, together in the church every week? And remember how adorable children used to bring our Fill the Baskets donations to the altar during the service? We'll be back to being in person and collecting our donations in person...





How can you participate? If you come to the church during the week, just call Valerie at the reception desk (404) 873-7600 when you arrive, drop off your donations at the door by the Reception Area entrance. If you come by on Sundays feel free to leave your donations in the baskets inside the church or near the entrance near the Parish Hall and let staff or clergy members know.

The ministries we support still have great needs (and in many cases even greater than before). The items they request have changed slightly with the pandemic, but they are still items you can either purchase when you're grocery shopping or shopping online (Amazon shoppers, I'm looking at you right now). At right is a schedule of organizations we support and their needs.

The beauty of Fill the Baskets is that everyone can participate. It's a wonderful way to get to know ministries St Luke's supports through our faith and advocacy work and outreach programs. While what we are asking for are small donations that we collect as a parish, the organizations also welcome any direct contributions via their website.

Just another way we are all connected even when we're apart. Don't you love it? Join in on the fun, and please continue to Fill the Baskets.

- Caroline Fooshee

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Outreach

Baskets

Fill the Baskets upcoming schedule

August: The Boyce L Ansley School provides tuition-free education for children who have experienced homelessness.

Wish list: glue sticks, colored pencils, dry erase markers (all colors), scissors, left-handed scissors, colored construction paper, white card stock

September: Crossroads Communi-

ty Ministries provides services to help people who are homeless find shelter and stability

Wish list: 3-compartment takeout boxes, socks, t-shirts, backpacks, books, shoes (especially men's 10-12), dry goods (chips and snacks, pasta, salad dressings, canned vegetables, etc)

October: Holy Comforter Church provides worship, programs, and community for adults marginalized by mental health challenges and by poverty

Wish list: TBD

November: Emmaus House provides programs and services to improve the economic and social well-being of intown Atlanta children and families

Wish list: toys for Christmas gifts



St. Luke's Creation Care

One of St. Luke's Faith & Advocacy Network's core focus areas is Creation Care, which weaves our calling to be good stewards of the Earth and the urgent need to combat climate change with education and action that makes an impact within our church community and among our neighbors. The Creation Care effort has grown out of St. Luke's programs and ministries that answer our baptismal prayer to know the gift and wonder in all Your works.



Creation Care's main objectives are to preserve and sustain the St. Luke's grounds and encourage advocacy for state and national issues that impact the Earth and our environment. Here are some examples of Creation Care's ongoing work:

Education—over the past 15 years, St. Luke's children and adult classes have woven Creation Care into the curriculum. Lessons in stewardship spurred action from recycling bins to environmental pledges made by families. The congregation's call to care for the earth is celebrated each Earth Day in April and St. Francis' Day in October.

Sustainability Program – Our maintenance and operational improvements over the last decade have made a significant positive impact on the church's carbon footprint. In 2007, we received a Georgia Interfaith Power & Light Energy Savings Grant. The grant enabled myriad facility upgrades, which helped us increase our total annual energy savings by 40%, reduce our water usage by 42% and reduce greenhouse emissions from energy by 44%. Additionally, we saved over \$65,000 annually in expenses.

St. Francis Green Guild – Formed in 2009, this team has led projects to help us reduce our impact on the environment. Our use of mugs (instead of Styrofoam), fair-trade organic coffee, reusable grocery bags, reusable water bottles and recycling throughout campus can all be attributed to the Guild. Their most recent project was a recycling Styrofoam drop off program that prevented Styrofoam from ending up in landfills.

The Mustard Seed Garden – Through the creation and nurture of a community garden, St. Luke's parishioners come together with community partners and ministries to share God's abundance and bounty by providing wholesome and healthy nourishment for the poor and provide educational programs that enable us to nurture, feed and spread love to our neighbors.

Creation Care's strategic plan for 2021 includes preserving and protecting St. Luke's grounds; advocating for coal ash legislation; and exploring how the church could implement solar power. We welcome your assistance as we pursue this good work. If you would like to join the effort, please contact Sue Sherrill at sesherrill@comcast.net.

Community Ministries newest Ministry:



Join fellow St. Luke's members and volunteer with Partners in Change (PIC) - a personal and powerful program training volunteers to serve as 1:1 coaches to under-resourced adults who are pursuing new goals in their lives. Through weekly conversations over one year, each PIC team develops an honest and trusting relationship focused on long-term, transformational growth and building the community member's own problem-solving and goal-setting skills. Email info@picusa.org to learn more and to sign up! You can also find PIC on the web: partnersinchangeusa.org

LOVE HYDRATION FOR CROSSROADS! Bottled Water Collection

We are collecting bottled water to provide some LOVE HYDRATION for Cross-roads in conjunction with Transfiguration Sunday on **August 8**. We're asking you to purchase new, unopened bottles/cases of water. We will have volunteers to receive water if you bring with you to the 8 a.m. or 10 a.m. services. We will also have a drive-by drop off for the bottles at the upper church parking lot (off Peachtree), from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for those who prefer to drop off after the services. Please donate as many bottles as you can!



WORSHIP IN A PARK

In July St. Luke's took a field trip, worshiping on a Wednesday evening at Legacy Fountains in Piedmont Park.



















A BIG LOVE SEND OFF FOR HOPE AND ED

































WE CELEBRATE THE LIVES THAT MAKE UP THE COMMUNITY OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

Birthdays during August

1	Sonali Mehta	Lauren Upadhyay	23
Joann Jones	Margot Watts	John Fowlkes	Edna Gayle
Deedee Carr	8	17	Betsy Wash
Bobby Wood	Tanya Washington	Donna Church	Tim Rigby
Catherine Chappell	Raymond Keen	Mary Ann Howard	Kim Weaver
Hudson Baker	Ann Lokey	Linda Duncan	Kathryn Kramer
2	Raine Hyde	Anna Davis	Casey Osborne
Jason O'Rouke	Travis Muir	Vanessa Hayes	Emma Bracken
Nora Nunn	Jenny Milucky	Reed Guthrie	24
Chase Calhoun	9	Campbell Wiant	Kristine Lebbos
3	Jill Clark	18	Ifey Okpala
Roy Portwood	August Stowers	Trey Parrish	Mills Mosley
Anne Thompson	Lexie Hall	Ryan Guthrie	Catherine Moore
Kamile Rasheed	10	Michael Martin	Avery McConnel
Ashley Hughes	Ed Jett	Gillian Benning	25
Will Wood	Jennifer Georgino	19	Linda McLeod
Lily Zintak	Ryan Conley	Eula Aiken	Charlie Lokey
4	Frances Anthony	Shelby Outlaw	Robert Gowin
Mary Anne Edwards	; 11	Mark Johnson	Mignon Crawford
Jean Milnor	Jeff Baker	Connie Wooten	Daniel Coterillo
Nancy Glenn	Mudia Uzzi	Kathy Lee	Violet Lorish
Alice Pettway	Osa Uzzi	Sophia Brothers	Aine Mullis
Marjorie Kouns	Hannah Robinson	Peterman	26
Anne Markette	12	Cary Calhoun	Virginia Almand
Peri Phillips	Hillary Kilfeather	Linda Iruka	Carolyn McCain
Patrick Osborne	Megan Morris	Elizabeth Schenck	Ingrid Anderson
Evelyn Grace Hyde	Parker Ramming	Brian Okpala	Mary Money
James Holbein	Clarissa Morrison	George Hamm	Adlaide Wilson
5	13	20	28
Darwin Labarthe	Steve Burnett	Micki Geshwiler	Tony Marchetti
Emma Hughes	Charlotte Greaves	Winsome Barrow	Beth Galvin
Averill Jones	Kate Dempsey	Fran Lindsley	Caroline Ball
Casey Brown	Will Wagner	Sally Money	Michael Rickman
John Gorday	Edaline Barringer	John Gerakitis	Bette Whelan
Sanders Moore	14	Andrew Baxter	29
Sveta Schenck	Richard Hines	Warner Burns	Stan Reid
Carter Gillon	Betsy Allen	21	Martha Lokey
Evan Gillon	Ray Uttenhove	Wade Anderson	Judith Smith
James Winer	Natalie Marchetti	Hunter Lord	Elaine Blackmon
Jeremiah Hayes	Osasumwen Osa-Og-	Cameron Floyd	18 Duncan Hall
Allie Haslam	beide Will Ezell	Ethan Scott	30
6		Carter White	Ann Brumbaugh
Vicki Mooney	Davis Mattuch 15	Emma Tucker	Bernard St. Cyr
Fluffy McDuffie Jim Glover	Jane Long	22	Myers Pierce
Alison Earles	Sandra Glover	Jane Elliott Susan Willson	Eleanor Weyman
	Melanie Collier		Marcus Evans
Tara Seabury	Sam Evins	Donna Briggins	31
7 Carolyn Cranford	Dina Moore	Tanya Cunningham-Baker Hank Robinson	•
Carolyn Cranford	Lansing Menefee		Justin Nihiser Anna Farill
Lynda Herrig Charlotte Alexander		Wallace Henderson	Anna Fariii Annie Pedersen
	Claire May	Bennett Kane	
Livi Batty	Ciail E Iviay	Louis Byrd	Sara Kennedy

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