

The Week Ahead

Monday, January 2 – Sunday, January 8, 2017

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7:00 AM "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75
12:00 NOON "Determined" Internet Radio Broadcast on www.wmocradio.net

Tuesday, January 3, 2017 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

11:00 AM-2:00 PM Christhouse is Open
7:00 PM The Young Adult Choir will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend.

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

6:30 AM Early Morning Prayer will be held. Join us as we begin the day in PRAYER!
11:30 AM Midday Prayer Service
12:00 NOON The Senior VIP's will meet.
6:45 PM Evening Prayer Service. The Deacons, Deaconess, and Trustees of SLBC will lead us in our time of prayer.
7:30 PM Adult Bible Study. Please read 2nd Peter chapter 1:1-11 as we study "Knowing and Growing".
7:30 PM Young Adult Bible Study will be held. ALL young adults are invited to share in this time of study and fellowship.

Thursday, January 5, 2017

11:00 AM-2:00 PM Christhouse is Open
7:00 PM The Young Adult Choir will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend.
9:00 PM "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75

Friday, January 6, 2017

7:00 PM "J.A.M. City" (our Children's Ministry) will meet. ALL children ages 5-12 are invited to attend and bring a friend!
7:30 PM The Young Adult Ministry will gather for their First Friday Fellowship. We will celebrate the New Year with a time a food, fun, and fellowship. All young adults are asked to bring a unisex gift (value \$20 and under) for our holiday gift exchange.

Saturday, January 7, 2017

9:00 AM Women's Bible Study - Read Chapter 10, "A Kingdom Woman and Her Family Life" (pages 163-168)
11:00 AM-2:00 PM Christhouse is Open
Shiloh Association Holiday Party
4:00 PM "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75

Sunday, January 8, 2017

7:00 AM Early Morning Prayer
7:30 AM Early Morning Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday Bible Study Classes and New Discipleship Classes
Adult New Discipleship Class – Class #5
Adult New Discipleship Class – Class #4
Children's New Discipleship Class – Class #1
10:50 AM Morning Worship Service
4:00 PM We will observe Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Our special guests will be the Rev. Dr. Jerry M. Carter and the Calvary Baptist Church of Morristown, NJ. Because of God's love for us, He made an awesome sacrifice. At the very least, out of gratitude and appreciation we should come out and express our love and thanksgiving for all He has done and continues to do for our lives! Let us all plan to honor Christ's sacrifice in our Communion Worship Service.

St. Luke Baptist Church

Happy New Year



"A Church Determined to Know Christ and Make Him Known"

A Message From Our Pastor



My Dear Loved Ones,

It is both my joy and honor to greet you in the year 2017! God has blessed us to begin this new year together and I pray that we will go forward with a genuine and sincere commitment to "diligently seek Him." If we do, He will indeed fulfill His promise to bless and reward us.

As we embark upon this new year, we are sure that it will be filled with challenges. Such is a part of the journey of life. With those challenges will also come blessings and opportunities to be a blessing to others as we live and minister. It is indeed God's desire that we who are blessed will indeed be a blessing and I hope that St. Luke will continue to bless others through our ministry.

The year 2017 brings us to our 90th year of ongoing ministry in this city! This is a significant milestone, one that each of us should be proud of. With this pride, there should also be a great sense of responsibility in each of us, as we are called to carry on the ministry in this present age that our forbearers began with great faith and meager resources. May this year of reflection cause us to rededicate ourselves to be faithful to God and faithful to the Word of God so that we can continue to be a beacon of light, hope, and healing in this local community and around the world.

As I now enter my twentieth year of service to you, I have marveled at the wonderful things that God has done in us and with us. I am sure that God has more in store for us, as we remain faithful and devoted to Him.

THANKS to every SLBC disciple who has been committed and consistent in their service, sacrifice, and support of our ministry. It is my prayer and hope that more will be added to this number as we remain, "A Church Determined to Know Christ and Make Him Known."

I love each of you with all of my heart and am looking forward to the great things that this year will bring!

Let's keep growing TOGETHER - "You and I - Us and Him!"

I love you with all of my love!

Pastor Clayton

Let's stay connected. Become my friend on www.facebook.com/kdrclayton; Follow me on [Instagram](#) @kdrclayton or on [Twitter](#) @kdrclayton.

St. Luke at Worship

New Year's Day

Sunday, January 1, 2017

11:00am Worship Service

From World to Worship...

MORNING PRAISE TO GOD

PLEASE STAND AS WE SING PRAISE

The Call to Worship

"For unto us a child is born to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Praise Ye The Lord."

The Hymn of Worship

Hymn #244 "Keep Me Every Day"

The Affirmation of Unity

"Lord Make Us One"

"Lord make us one as we enter your house. Lord make us one as we open our hearts. Lord make us one as we lift our voices. Give us one faith confirmed in baptism. Give us one love, from heart to heart. Give us one hope as we open your word. Give us one prayer for you are our Father. Give us one song that the angels can't sing. Give us one praise as we lift up your name! Lord make us one, Lord make us one."

The Church In Prayer

The Choral Response

Words of Welcome to Our First Time Guests, Returning Visitors, and ALL Gathered in Worship

The Ministry of Music

The Mass Choir

The Morning Message

Pastor Clayton

The Invitation to Salvation, Christian Discipleship, and Church Membership

This invitation is extended for you to accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. It is also an invitation for those who are already Christians who are in search of a church home. This is a holy moment when people are making a decision that will affect their eternity. Please respect those making a decision for the Lord by limiting your movement and conversation during the invitation.

The Offertory Prayer

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Tithing Affirmation

(If you believe in John 3:16 you must also believe in Malachi 3:8-10.)

Leader: We are called to be a tithing church because the Word of God teaches tithing, our experience gives witness to tithing, our obedience to God requires tithing, and our blessings come as a result of **tithing**.

People: **Tithing** blesses the heart by making it receptive to God's will. **Tithing** blesses the life by lifting it to a higher plane of grace. **Tithing** blesses the hands by making them willing to do God's work. **Tithing** blesses the mind by giving it the satisfaction of doing the right thing. **Tithing** blesses the nine-tenths that remain because God has been honored. **Tithing** blesses the individual by giving each a part in God's world-wide program. **Tithing** blesses the church by enabling it to carry out a greater ministry.

Leader: Then let us bring our **tithes** and offerings to the Lord as He has prospered us, for the "tenth shall be holy unto the Lord."

The Giving of God's Tithes and Offering

"Bring ye all the tithes (and offerings) into the storehouse." (Malachi 3:8-10)

The General Offering

(Ushers and Trustees will NOT make change PLEASE do not ask)

The Pastoral Observations

The Benediction

Our Departing Affirmation

"As for me and my house we will serve the Lord"

From Worship to Service...

Please note that the order of worship is under the direction of the Holy Spirit and is subject to change without notice.