

A Message From Our Pastor



My Dear Loved Ones,

We are now already halfway through the month of January! Already time is moving on and each of us must keep pace and seek to embrace each day with a positive attitude and a commitment to make a difference. No matter who we are, our lives can be used to make a positive difference if we are intent about doing such. Because we are children of God, our daily desire should be to be used of God to make life better for others!

This weekend, our nation pauses to remember the life of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. King is the only African American honored with a national holiday in our country. Each year, I remind us that the work that Dr. King is noted for, was much more than social activism, it was in fact the ministry of social justice that God called him to. Martin Luther King, Jr. was without question a prophet who spoke to the Pharaoh's of this world on behalf of God to lead people of all races, creeds, and color into freedom. Because he surrendered to this call on his life, and was joined by countless others, America became and to some degree, is a better place to live.

As Christians, we must continue in the tradition established by Dr. King. The church today, even St. Luke cannot authentically be the church unless and until she seeks to speak against all evil (even systemic evil) and challenge powers in high places to treat, regard and respect all people fairly. I share with you with you, a quote of Dr. King that has inspired me. "Any religion that professes to be concerned about the souls of men and is not concerned about the slums that damn them, the economic conditions that strangle them and the social conditions that cripple them is a spiritually moribund religion awaiting burial."

This is one of his many statements that challenge me to understand the role and responsibility of the church. As believers we must be serious and DETERMINED to ensure that our congregational ministry has a positive and liberating impact on the lives of people and in the life of our community. Faith in God through Jesus Christ, should lead individuals to mature and grow in every area of life and living! This belief has fueled and undergirded the evolution of our ministry, and it is to this end that we continue to labor together. On this weekend that is sacred and special to the African American church, may we rededicate ourselves and our resources to being partners in such work through our ministry here at St. Luke!

I am excited about our 91st year of ministry as a church and my 21st year serving as your pastor! Let's all be committed about doing the work of the Lord and making sure that we remain, "A Church Determined to Know Christ and Make Him Known."

Counting it ALL Joy!

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  [@kdrclayton](https://www.instagram.com/kdrclayton) or on  [@kdrclayton](https://twitter.com/kdrclayton).

St. Luke at Worship

Sunday, January 14, 2018
7:30am and 10:50am Worship Services

From World to Worship...

MORNING PRAISE

PLEASE STAND AS WE SING PRAISE TO GOD

Invocation/The Call to Worship

The Hymn of Worship

Hymn #329 "I Am Thine O Lord"

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 Ministry of Music

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

The Ministry of Music

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.

NEWS FOR THE PEWS

Six Ways To Give At SLBC

As a disciple of SLBC, you are encouraged to provide consistent and regular financial support of our ministry by one of the following 6 means:



In Person

With Your Membership Envelope
(On Sunday or During Church Office Hours)



Online

www.stlukebaptist.org
(Anytime)



In Our Bookstore

Using Your Debit Card
(Anytime the Bookstore is Open or During Church Office Hours)



SLBC Mobile App

(Anytime)



Givelify Mobile App

(Anytime)

Mail

St. Luke Baptist Church
139 Carroll Street
Paterson, NJ 07501
Attn: Church Business Administrator

Your regular support and generosity is encouraged and greatly appreciated.



Visit the SLBC Bookstore Today
Christian books, Bibles, and other
products can be purchased in the
SLBC Bookstore.

This week the Bookstore is open:

Sunday

9:45am – 10:45am

1:00pm – 1:30pm

Wednesday

12:45pm – 1:15pm

6:30pm – 7:15pm

Our Prayer Emphasis for the Week

“This week we are challenged to pray that God will continue to use SLBC as an instrument of hope, help and healing in our city.”



This building is handicap accessible by ramp at the rear of the building. If you need assistance, please see any member of the Security Ministry, Hospitality Ministry, or an Usher.

There are parking spaces reserved for the physically challenged.

How Do I????

As our church by God's grace continues to grow, many times new disciples (as well as longtime disciples) have problems knowing how to contact the church and the church leaders when the need arises. Please govern yourself by the following:



DEATH: Family members of SLBC disciples should contact the Church Office with the news of death as soon as possible. A service of worship and repast will be planned according to the church guidelines for disciples of our congregation. For the relatives of SLBC disciples, an appropriate expression/acknowledgement will be sent as an expression of sympathy. When notifying the church of a relative's death, please have all of the vital information.



WEDDINGS: Couples interested in getting married at SLBC must be SLBC disciples (either prospective bride or groom). The first step is to contact the Church Office to see if the date is available. Couples will then receive a wedding package in the mail which details all of the requirements, fees, etc. Couples being married at SLBC must attend premarital classes. Weddings for persons who are not SLBC disciples are occasionally permitted according to the church's calendar.



HOSPITALIZATION: When a disciple of SLBC is hospitalized our church desires to express our care and concern. If you are unable to call yourself, please have a family member or a hospital staff person contact the Church Office.



APPOINTMENTS: Our Pastor and Staff are available to meet with SLBC disciples BY APPOINTMENT. The office is open daily, but please do not just “show up” and expect to be seen. Please call the office to schedule an appointment. Also remember that Sunday IS NOT the day to schedule an appointment, to discuss or engage in business unrelated to worship.



INFANT DEDICATIONS: Infant dedications are performed as an opportunity for parents to express thanks to God for allowing them to be parents and to consecrate the life of the child and family to Christ and the church. To inquire about a specific date, please call the Church Office.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“You can't stand on promises that you don't know.
Get to know God's Word.”

WELCOME TO ST LUKE...

Hope Lives Here, Freedom is Found Here, Changed Lives Leave Here

IF YOU ARE A VISITOR, the Pastoral Staff, Leaders, and the entire SLBC Family would like to extend to you a heartfelt **WELCOME!** We invite you to experience the presence of God as you worship with us. If you are new to the area and have no church home, we would love for you to become a part of the St. Luke Family. Please come forward at the end of the sermon and we will gladly share with you the reality of Jesus Christ and how to become a disciple of Christ through St. Luke. From your visit with us today we hope that you will feel the love of Christ and the sweet fellowship that comes from our love for Him. This is our special way of providing a rewarding and memorable worship experience. Visitors are not expected to give during the offertory period. Our ministry is supported by the committed disciples of our congregation. If you desire to give an offering, we thank you for your gift. God bless you and thank you for your visit with us. If you leave the sanctuary during the preaching moment you will be asked to wait in the overflow until after the message and the Invitation to Christian discipleship has been extended. Thank you for your cooperation as we seek to honor and respect the preaching moment.

TODAY

- At 9:45am representatives from the Health and Wholeness Ministry will be in the Victoria Anderson Nurse's Room to provide blood pressure screenings for any interested persons.
- At 4:00pm we will celebrate Baptism and the Lord's Supper (Communion). 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.
- Pastor Clayton would like to extend Happy Birthday wishes to all who celebrate a birthday this week AND Happy Wedding Anniversary to all couples who may celebrate their wedding anniversary this week!
- SLBC Ministry Leaders, please check your ministry mailboxes.

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When you are unable to be in worship physically, you can worship with us via livestream at <http://831vision.com/Pastor-Kenneth-Clayton/>



The Children's Nursery is open for "King's Kids" during our 10:50am Worship Service for infants to children age 6 in Founders Hall. Parents with infants may view the services via closed circuit TV in the Chapel.



Van Service is available for our 10:50am Worship Service every Sunday. To secure van service, please call the Church Office at (973) 345-4309 no later than Friday at 4:00pm.

Attention All SLBC Ministries and Disciples

- **ALL** eating and drinking is restricted to Founders Hall **AT ALL TIMES!** All ministries that hold meetings and rehearsals, please be advised of this restriction, abide by it and inform all ministry participants.
- The SLBC Administrative Staff is asking **ALL** ministries to please regularly check and clean out your ministry mailbox.
- The Fair Street entrance is **NOT** to be used as a regular entrance/exit. It is only to be used when supervised by a member of our Security Ministry and authorized by Pastor Clayton or designated Church Leadership.

The Week Ahead

Monday, January 15 – Sunday, January 21, 2018

Monday, January 15, 2018 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 AM "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75
9:30 AM The Paterson Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will host their Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Service here at St. Luke. The preacher will be Evangelist Fendi Godwin. We are all invited to share in this service. Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

11:00 AM-2:00 PM Christhouse is Open
5:30 PM The Children's Dance Ministry (ages 5-12) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry. Tuskegee Room
6:00 PM The Teen Dance Ministry (ages 13-17) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend. Founders Hall
6:30 PM The Adult Dance Ministry (ages 35 and up) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry. Tuskegee Room

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

6:30 AM Early Morning Prayer will be held. Join us as we begin the day in PRAYER! Chapel
11:30 AM Midday Prayer Service Overflow
12:00 NOON Noonday Bible Study. Please read John chapter 15 as we study Jesus the True Vine. Overflow
5:30 PM-7:30 PM St. Luke CDC Computer Lab is Open 305 Broadway
5:30 PM The Children's Dance Ministry (ages 5-12) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry. Tuskegee Room
6:45 PM Evening Prayer Service. The Voices of St. Luke of SLBC will lead us in our time of prayer. Sanctuary
7:30 PM Adult Bible Study. Please read 2nd Peter chapter 2:17-22 as we study False Freedom. Sanctuary
7:30 PM Young Adult Bible Study will be held. Please read Nehemiah Chapter 9 as we study Becoming Godly Leaders. Chapel

Thursday, January 18, 2018

11:00 AM-2:00 PM Christhouse is Open
5:30 PM-7:30 PM St. Luke CDC Computer Lab is Open 305 Broadway
6:00 PM The Teen Dance Ministry (ages 13-17) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend. Tuskegee Room
6:00 PM The Adult Dance Ministry (ages 35 and up) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry. Tuskegee Room
6:30 PM The Youth and Teen Choir will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend. Overflow
9:00 PM "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75

Friday, January 19, 2018

7:00 PM 2018 Leaders Conference with Guest Preacher Rev. Dr. Joe S. Ratliff, Pastor of the Brentwood Baptist Church of Houston, TX. Sanctuary

Saturday, January 20, 2018

9:00 AM 2018 Leaders Conference with Guest Preacher Rev. Dr. Joe S. Ratliff, Pastor of the Brentwood Baptist Church of Houston, TX. Founders Hall
11:00 AM-2:00 PM Christhouse is Open
4:00 PM "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75

Sunday, January 21, 2018

7:00 AM Early Morning Prayer Sanctuary
7:30 AM Early Morning Worship Service Sanctuary
9:45 AM Sunday Bible Study and New Discipleship Classes
 Adult New Discipleship Class – Class #8 part B New Discipleship Room
10:50 AM Morning Worship Service Sanctuary

The Month Ahead

Prayer Leaders:

The following SLBC Ministries are EXPECTED to lead SLBC in prayer in Wednesday evening Prayer Service at 6:45pm assisted by the Deacons of SLBC.

January 24th – Men of SLBC

January 31st – Floral Ministry



Register To Vote

Every 3rd Sunday the SLBC/Political Action Committee does voter registration in the Foyer.



Become a Member of the NAACP

by completing a form and submitting payment in the Bookstore

DID YOU KNOW????????????????

High Blood Pressure, or Hypertension, is a major reason that people develop heart disease, kidney failure, and strokes...



The Health and Wholeness Ministry provides FREE Blood Pressure Screening



When: Every 2nd and 4th Sunday
Where: Victoria Anderson Nurse's Room
Time: 9:45am – 10:45am

When blood pressure is under control, the risk of developing heart disease, kidney failure, or stroke is lower.



Please Remember In Your Prayers



Bereaved:

Sister Wilma Brooks on the death of her mother
 Sister Donna Heath on the death of her uncle
 Sister Tracey Littlejohn and Sister Bernadine Taylor on the death of their mother, Nellie Owens
 Sister Marva Page on the death of her mother

Those Hospitalized or In: Nursing Homes or Adult Facilities:

Brother Johnny Brown Saint Barnabas Medical Center Livingston, NJ	Sister Mae Jones Advanced Care Center at Wayne Wayne, NJ	Deacon Jack Moore NJ Veterans Memorial Paramus, NJ
Sister Connie Clayton Chestnut Convalescent Center Passaic, NJ	Sister Dorothy Moore Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center Paterson, NJ	Sister Nellie Reed Atrium at Wayne Care Center Wayne, NJ
Sister Rachel Jackson St. Joseph's Hospital Wayne, NJ		

Those Recovering at Home:

Sister Gloria Battle Sister Jean Battle Sister Mabel Biggs Sister Edna Black Sister Laverne Bowman Sister Bertha Buffaloe Sister Bessie Buffaloe Brother Joseph Clayton, Jr. Sister Tonya Clayton	Sister Mary DeGroat Sister Edith Douglas Sister Wendy Drakeford Sister Beulah Jackson Brother Anthony Johnson Sister Damita McClam Sister Leticia McGuire Sister Georgiana Rogers	Sister Stephanie Samuels Sister Lucille Sumter Sister Mary Thomas-Carter Sister Patricia Thompson Sister Cynthia Thorne Sister Miriam Threet Brother Irving Watkins, Sr. Sister Ola Mae Whitaker
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Those In Need of Healing and Strength:

Sister Thwana Bowman Brother Carnie P. Bragg, Jr.	Sister Jennifer Foxworth Sister Hattie Haynesworth	Sister Ethel Thomas
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Our Loved Ones Who Are Incarcerated:

Edward Fairley Justin Keith Vincent McDuffie	Chamar Myles Kevin Malik Myles Wilmyra Nero	Frederick Simpson Rashad State Denzel Thompson
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Our Deacons of the Week:

Vivian Clayton	Cleophus Pelt
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****To add your name or the name of a loved one to any of these areas, please call the Church Office at extension 11 for directions/details.***



Please Remember In Your Prayers



Our Extended Family:

Herman Austin
Constance Fletcher
Mary Ford

Harrie Graham
Lovey Gray
Mack Simpkins, Jr.

Johnnie Sims, Jr.
Glenda Smith

SLBC Family Members in the Armed Forces:

Mychal Alexander (nephew of Mary Baskerville)
Keon Arrick (son of Stacy and Bridget Arrick)
Jah'mel Ayers (nephew of Sister Cynthia Toppin) who is in Kuwait
Rose Marie Berry (niece of Cleophus Pelt)
Akeem Fraser.
Maximillian Johnson (cousin of Antionette Brevard) who is in Japan
Gregory Jones (nephew of Mary Buckingham) who is in Iraq
Javon Riddick (grandson of Mary Wade)
Mystic Smith (niece of Tanya Williams)
Kareem Stephen
Jabir Williams
Nyree Wilson
Sterling Wynn (son of Germaine Romero)

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Helping Hand Ministry's 2017 Mission Gifts

NuSplash – A non-profit organization established in 2013 with a mission to deliver news in an online format, concentrating on community, people and events, partnering with brands like McDonald's, The Salvation Army, American Cancer Society, Paterson Public Schools, local churches and many others. The programs and events enhance the educational experiences, health and wellness opportunities, and overall quality of life for people in low-income neighborhoods.
www.nusplash.com

Paterson Education Fund (PEF) – Founded in 1983 PEF is the leader on education in Paterson. Their reputation is a non-bureaucratic community group with a focus on their mission statement: "Works to stimulate community action for change so that the Paterson Public Schools ensure that all Paterson children achieve high academic standards." Program focus includes Chronic Absenteeism & Suspension; ESSA State Plans (NJDOE); Counselors NOT Cops. www.paterson-education.org

St. Jude's Children's Hospital – Founded in 1962 St. Jude's works to advance cures, and means of prevention, for pediatric catastrophic diseases through research and treatment. Consistent with the vision of our founder Danny Thomas, no child is denied treatment based on race, religion or a family's ability to pay. www.stjude.org

Teens2bheard – Paterson-based non-profit organization founded in 2012. Teens2bheard was organized out of a need to help teenagers develop holistically, before they get into trouble or go down a "bad path" in their lives. Programs are designed to provide a safe haven and a "judgment-free" environment where teens learn while having fun, develop self-esteem, create wholesome, healthy recreation, as well as leadership development.
teens2bheard.org

The Sickle Cell Association of New Jersey (SCANJ) 501c3 – Founded in 2009, SCANJ (located in Newark, NJ) has initiated the NJ Sickle Cell Poster Child & Teen Spokesperson Program and assisted families affected by sickle cell disease. SCANJ has educated and raised awareness through their website, newsletters, brochures, road trips, workshops & seminars and special events. SCANJ Mission: "To advocate for and enhance the ability to improve the quality of health, life and services for individuals and families affected by sickle cell disease." www.sicklecellnewjersey.org

**On last Sunday, SLBC through the Helping Hand Ministry presented the following organizations mission gifts. Though they were awarded in 2018, they represented our 2017 awards. THANKS to all SLBC disciples for your committed giving that enables us to give. PLEASE give regularly your tithe, offerings, and your gifts for Missions and Benevolence.*

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Taylor Moore, Percussionist

Jordan Randolph, Organist

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Gail Brown


Stanley DeVore

The Church Office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00am-7:00pm to facilitate the needs of our congregation and ministry. To contact a member of the Church Staff, please use the above-mentioned information.

To Stay Connected to SLBC:


 Facebook
facebook.com/slbcpat

 Facebook for Youth Ministry
facebook.com/SLBCYouth

 Facebook for Young Adult Ministry
facebook.com/SLBCYAM

 Facebook for CDC
facebook.com/slccd

 Twitter
[@SLBCPAT](https://twitter.com/slbcpat)

 Instagram
[@slbcpat](https://www.instagram.com/slbcpat)

The SLBC Mobile App Is Now Available For Google and Apple Mobile Devices. Devices include: Androids, iPads, iPods and iPhones



SLBC Newsletter

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St. Luke Is a Member of and Supports:

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National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. – www.nationalbaptist.com  facebook.com/nationalbaptistconvention/

United Missionary Baptist Convention of NJ, Inc. – www.umbcnj.org  United Missionary Baptist Convention of NJ, Inc.

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A MESSAGE FROM “REV. AISHA”



Greetings St. Luke Family,

Happy New Year! I still can't believe that 2017 is now in the past and we are well into 2018. It is always my honor to greet you all in this manner. I'm excited about 2018 and am looking forward to what God has in store for us all. I'm committed to giving God my very best this year and am asking Him to bless me with new insight, ideas, and energy to lead our children's, youth, and young adult ministries. We did a lot of great work last year and I know that God has even greater things in store for us this year. Please continue to keep us in your prayers, encourage and insist that your children are a part of ministry, and support us in any way you can. We appreciate all of your encouragement and are grateful to God for being part of such a loving church family.

Children's, Youth, and Young Adult Ministry Announcements/Reminders

Youth Ministry Outing – FunFuzion in Westchester, NY

All teens are invited to join us on Friday, January 26th for a night of fun and fellowship at Fun Fuzion, Westchester County's only indoor amusement park. We will be leaving the church at 6:00pm. The cost is \$25 and includes one session of Laser Tag and 2 hours of unlimited arcade play. Parents must sign up their children in the bookstore today or contact Deacon Clayton at the church office to make payment arrangements. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, January 21st.

Youth Ministry Fall Mission Project

Our youth ministry has partnered with CUMAC, a non-profit organization whose mission is to feed people and alleviate hunger in Paterson, Passaic County, and Northern NJ to support their feeding efforts by collecting plastic grocery bags. CUMAC uses 20,000+ bags every month to feed those in need. Our goal is to collect 75,000 bags between now and the end of the year. Please bring in your gently used plastic bags any time and place them in the receptacles that will be placed in each lobby. Thank you for your support! **Our plastic bag drive will end on Sunday, January 28th. Please continue to bring in your bags before the deadline.**

Young Adult Bible Study

All young adults (ages 19-35) are encouraged and invited to attend Young Adult Bible Study every Wednesday at 7:30pm. Our study and knowledge of God's Word is integral to our spiritual development. We meet in the chapel and we hope to see you there! **Please read Nehemiah Chapter 10 for our next lesson on January 17th as we continue our series on *Becoming Godly Leaders*.**

Youth Ministry – F.R.E.E. Fridays

All youth, ages 13-18, are welcome to join us for F.R.E.E. Fridays **every Friday at 7:00pm (except the 1st Friday of the month)**. F.R.E.E. Fridays provide an opportunity for our teens to learn more about Christ through relevant and meaningful discussions and activities. All sessions are held at the Youth Center at Christ House (269 Fair Street).

Children's Ministry – J.A.M. City

All parents of children, ages 5-12, are invited and encouraged to become a part of our children's ministry, J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) City. **J.A.M. City meets EVERY FRIDAY EXCEPT THE LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH at 7:00pm at the St. Luke Learning Center, 128 Carroll Street.** J.A.M. City is dedicated to providing a space where our children can learn about Christ while having fun. The children participate in various learning, recreational, and community service activities...and so much more! Please make sure that your children are a part of our Children's Ministry. Let's work together to ensure that their lives are built on a firm foundation...Jesus Christ.

Please contact me for more information on how you and/or your children can become a part of these awesome ministries.

Be blessed. Be a blessing.

Rev. Aisha

amtaylor@stlukebaptist.org



St. Luke CDC is a nonprofit 501©(3) community based organization located in Paterson, NJ. St. Luke CDC was established by St. Luke Baptist Church in 1997 under the direction of the Rev. Kenneth Clayton to serve as a catalyst for economic and community development in the City of Paterson and Passaic County.

As a not for profit entity, the St. Luke CDC aims to:

- Establish programs and services to the broad and diverse socio-economic needs of the residents of Paterson and Passaic County.
- Provide leadership in and form partnerships with private and public sector institutions to improve the quality of life for residents of Paterson and Passaic County.

The CDC currently operates

*** After School Program (ASAP)**

*** House of Mercy**

(Women's Transitional House)

*** Summer Camp (Kamp Kreative Kidz)**

*** St. Luke CDF Freedom School®**

www.childrensdefense.org

*** St. Luke CDC Computer Lab**

*** The Literacy Projects**

- a) Computer Literacy
- b) Children's Literacy
- c) Adult Literacy
- d) Public Speaking Class

***The Re-Entry Program**

Services provided to aid incarcerated individuals who are released from jail to re-acclimate themselves into society.



*** Counseling Services**

Feeling overwhelmed, seeking support, struggling with changing addictive behaviors, suffering from mental health symptoms? Counseling provides a healthy way to address these concerns. Through an integrative approach in individual and group settings we will work to improve coping skills and resilience in dealing with mental health and co-occurring disorder. Call for a consultation or information, please call Tranetta Harris, MS, LPC via phone at (973) 977-8201, via fax at (973) 977-8202 or via email at tharris@stlukebaptist.org.

*** Christhouse – Food and Clothing Center**

If you are interested in volunteering at Christhouse, PLEASE call (973) 345-5300.

For the weeks of Monday, January 1st – Saturday, January 6th Christhouse served 34 individuals!

We remain thankful to those who support Christhouse with generous food and clothing donations. As we strive to continue this work we solicit your financial support and your donations of the following nonperishable food items:

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|---------------|-----------------|
| Pasta | Spaghetti Sauce |
| Rice | Tuna Fish |
| Ramen Noodles | Vienna Sausage |



as well as clothing in all sizes items for: Men Women Boys
Girls Infants Toddlers



Ways to Give:



Givelify Mobile App

Go to "Charities" and **Select:** Saint Luke CDC

OR

Online at

<http://www.stlukecdc.org/donations.html>

To find out more about the St. Luke CDC, go to the St. Luke CDC link on the St. Luke website www.stlukebaptist.org, or like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/slcdc](https://www.facebook.com/slcdc).

Tithing Calculator

Weekly Income	10%	11%	12%	13%	14%	15%
\$100	\$10	\$11	\$12	\$13	\$14	\$15
\$150	15	16.50	18	19.50	21	22.50
\$200	20	22.00	24	26.00	28	30.00
\$250	25	27.50	30	32.50	35	37.50
\$300	30	33.00	36	39.00	42	45.00
\$350	35	38.50	42	45.50	49	52.50
\$400	40	44.00	48	52.00	56	60.00
\$450	45	49.50	54	58.50	63	67.50
\$500	50	55.00	60	65.00	70	75.00
\$550	55	60.50	66	71.50	77	82.50
\$600	60	66.00	72	78.00	84	90.00
\$650	65	71.50	78	84.50	91	97.50
\$700	70	77.00	84	91.00	98	105.00
\$750	75	82.50	90	97.50	105	112.50
\$800	80	88.00	96	104.00	112	120.00
\$850	85	93.50	102	110.50	119	127.50
\$900	90	99.00	108	117.00	126	135.00
\$950	95	104.50	114	123.50	133	142.50
\$1,000	100	110.00	120	130.00	140	150.00
\$1,050	105	115.50	126	136.50	147	157.50
\$1,100	110	121.00	132	143.00	154	165.00
\$1,150	115	126.50	138	149.50	161	172.50
\$1,200	120	132.00	144	156.00	168	180.00
\$1,250	125	137.50	150	162.50	175	187.50
\$1,300	130	143.00	156	169.00	182	195.00
\$1,350	135	148.50	162	175.50	189	202.50
\$1,400	140	154.00	168	182.00	196	210.00

The Tithing Calculator is posted to help us better understand and determine what an actual tithe (or Tenth) is based on our income.

Christian disciples who obey the Word of God, tithe in response to the Lord's command, in light of the Lord's graciousness and also to ensure that the local congregation has all that she needs to do ministry that honors the Lord, equips individuals and to build a wholesome Christian community. (Malachi 3:8-10)

If you are not yet a committed part of our "tithing community" we encourage you to prayerfully trust God today, pray and begin surrendering your life to His will in this and every area of your life.

Let the words of Jesus become real and evident in your life according to Matthew 6:33, *"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."*

You cannot believe in John 3:16 and NOT believe in Malachi 3:8-10!

We encourage anyone who may be dealing with substance abuse issues to please check the following website for Narcotics Anonymous Meetings near you:



www.nanj.org

***Feeling overwhelmed? Seeking support?
Struggling with changing addictive behaviors?
Suffering from mental health symptoms?***



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Counseling provides a healthy way to address these concerns. Through an integrative approach in individual and group settings we will work to improve coping skills and resilience in dealing with mental health and co-occurring disorder. Services provided to persons age 18 years and older.

For a consultation or information, please call Tranetta Harris, MS, LPC via phone at (973) 977-8201, via fax at (973) 977-8202 or via email at tharris@stlukebaptist.org.



Join Us For Sunday Bible Study!!

Sunday Mornings at 9:45am

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Beginners	Dea. Vivian Clayton and Sis. Kendalyn Sumter	128 Carroll Street
Primary (ages 6-8)	Sis. Pamela Jones	128 Carroll Street, 2 nd Fl
Junior (ages 9-11)	Sis. Tiesha Williams	128 Carroll Street, 2 nd Fl
Youth Male (ages 12-14)	Bro. Robert Whitehead	128 Carroll Street, 2 nd Fl
Youth Female (ages 12-14)	Sis. Gail Allen	128 Carroll Street, 2 nd Fl
Youth (ages 15-19)	Rev. Aisha Taylor Issah	Youth Center/269 Fair Street, 2 nd Fl
Young Adult Women (ages 19-35)	Sis. Tiffany Smith	Bryant/Eaton Prayer Room
Women	Dea. Vivian Gaines	Sanctuary
New Discipleship Class	Dea. Gregory Anderson, Linton Gaines, and Cleophus Pelt	New Discipleship Room
Children's New Discipleship Class	Bro. Stacy Arrick, Sr. and Sis. Susan Corbin	Tuskegee Room
Men's Bible Study Class	Pastor Clayton	Chapel

St. Luke Baptist Church

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

WE ARE STRIVING TO BE:

A Christian Church: Jesus Is The Head, We Are The Body. Ephesians 5:23; 1st Corinthians 12:12-28

A Bible Based Church: We Are Doers of God's Word. Psalm 119:105; 2nd Timothy 2:15; James 1:22

A Praying Church: We Pray Without Ceasing. Matthew 18:19-20; Acts 2; 42; Acts 12:5; Luke 18:1

A Spirit Filled Church: We Surrender To the Holy Ghost. Romans 12; Galatians 5:16-26; Ephesians 4:11-16

A Tithing Church: We Give Back 10% Of All God Gives To Us. Malachi 3:8-10; Matthew 23:23 Luke 6:38; 1st Corinthians 16: 1-2

A Loving Church: We Visit, Care, & Build Up Each Other. John 14:21; John 15:9-13; 1st Corinthians 13

A Growing Church: We Mature and Bear Good Fruit. Matthew 7:17; John 15:8; Romans 7:4; Galatians 5:22-23

A Prophetic Church: God Breaks Yokes through St. Luke. Isaiah 6:1; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Ezekiel 3:4-9; Luke 4

A Witnessing Church: We Spare No Expense To Win Souls. Matthew 18:11; Luke 15; Acts 1:8; Romans 10:13-15

A Learning Church: We Learn/Teach Bible, History, Etc. Deuteronomy 6:5-9; Proverbs 22: 6; Acts 8:31

A Community Serving Church: We Help People In Need. Matthew 25:31-46; James 2:14-15; 1st John 3:17

A Joyful Church: We Celebrate/Claim Victory. Psalm 100:2; Nehemiah 8:10; 1st Corinthians 15:57

A Working Church: Every Member Works for God. Nehemiah 4:6; John 6:29; John 9:4

A Friendly Church: Gratitude Is Our Attitude: We Love Our Brothers And Sisters As Ourselves. Psalm 150; John 15:14; Hebrews 13:1-3



Attention Parents of SLBC...

“J.A.M. City”

will be in session

Friday, January 26, 2018

at 7:00pm



(ages 5-12)

are invited to be present
and bring a friend!

REMINDER:

“F.R.E.E. Fridays”

will meet

Friday, January 26, 2018

at 6:00pm



ALL TEENS

(ages 13-18)

are invited to be present and bring a friend!

PATERSON UNITED PASTORS COUNCIL
PRESENTS

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
COMMUNITY SERVICE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2018
6:00PM



KEYNOTE PREACHER
PASTOR RONALD SLAUGHTER
ST. JAMES' A.M.E. CHURCH
NEWARK, NJ

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
72 CARROLL STREET – PATERSON, NJ 07501

HOST PASTOR: REV. DR. ALEXANDER McDONALD, III

Paterson Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Presents:

25TH
ANNUAL

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
YOUTH CELEBRATION



Monday, January 15, 2018
9:30 AM

St. Luke Baptist Church
139 Carroll Street
Paterson, NJ 07501
Rev. Kenneth B. Clayton, Pastor



Keynote Speaker:
Evangelist Fendi Godwin
Fresh World Kingdom Assemblies
Voorhees, NJ

"The Time Is
Always Right
To Do What
Is Right."
-Dr. MLK Jr.

Featuring:
MLK Jr. Choir
Dr. Michelle Williams
Director

Audrey McDowell, President

Attention SLBC Deacons, Deaconess, Trustees, Ministry Leaders, Church Staff, and SLBC Family

Friday, January 19 – Saturday, January 20, 2018

7:00pm

9:00am-1:00pm

MANDATORY Leaders Conference



Guest Facilitator:
Rev. Dr. Joe S. Ratliff, Pastor
Brentwood Baptist Church
Houston, TX

Sign Up in SLBC Bookstore

Attention SLBC Disciples...



SLBC Prayer Times

Sunday – 7:00am

Wednesday – 6:30am in the Chapel
– 11:30am in the Overflow
– 6:45pm in the Sanctuary

REGULARLY pray about the printed prayer concerns, weekly prayer emphasis and pray for sick, hospitalized, recovering, college students, relatives in the military, etc.

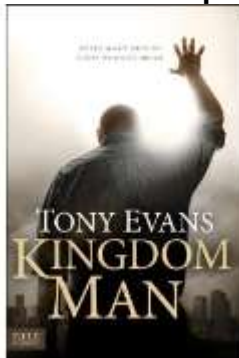
NEED A PLACE TO PRAY?

The Bryant-Eaton Prayer Room is open during Church Office hours, on Sundays, and when evening activities are held.

Attention Men of St. Luke...

Join the Men of SLBC
for
Men's Bible Study

Sundays at 9:45am
in the Chapel



Read Chapter 14

“A Kingdom Man and His Church Life”

Attention Ladies of the Luke...

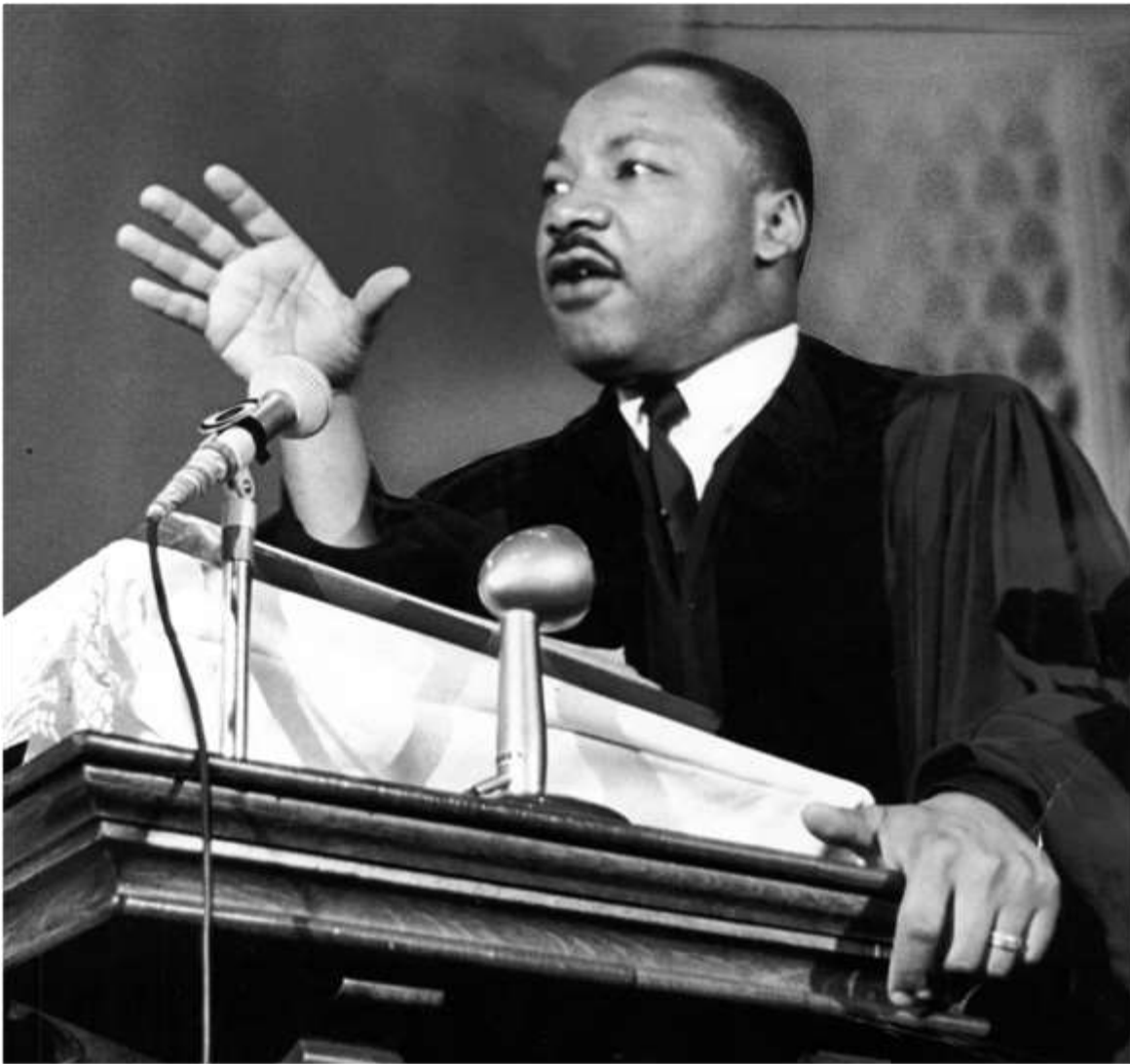
Join the SLBC Women's Ministry
for
Women's Bible Study

Saturdays, February 3rd and 10th
9:00am



Book is available for purchase in
Bookstore.

Cost - \$10.00



“The church must be reminded that it is not the master or the servant of the state, but rather the conscience of the state. It must be the guide and the critic of the state, and never its tool. If the church does not recapture its prophetic zeal, it will become an irrelevant social club without moral or spiritual authority.”

– Martin Luther King, Jr.

January 15, 1929 – April 4, 1968

Message Notes

"I will delight in your principles and not forget your word."

Psalm 119:16

Date: _____

Scripture Text: _____

Preacher/Messenger: _____

Subject: _____

Sermon Notes:

How Should This Sermon Influence My Christian Growth and Service?:

Special Points to Consider:

Our Response To Today's Message

As we are being challenged to be HEARERS and DOERS of the Word, we are being called to a serious response to each message/sermon that we hear. The following pattern has been designed to encourage each of us to hear the WORD and LIVE IT!!!

First, READ

the sermon text slowly, meditatively and expectantly three times. Allow God's Word to be your primary focus. As you read, listen for God's message to His people both then and for you now. Ask yourself, "What truth is God calling me to learn and live out today?" (5 minutes)

Second, REFLECT

in the scripture. Record your observations. Note those things which stand out, pique your interest or make you wonder. Pay attention to the names of people, places, special events, sequences, repetition, patterns, etc. Note the use of verbs and verb tenses. (10 minutes)

Next, RETREAT

in prayer. Take two or three minutes to share your prayer concerns with God. Then devote the balance of your prayer time to silently and expectantly listening for God's words to you. Record both your prayers and God's response.

Finally, RESPOND

with action! God's answer to prayer almost always calls for a corresponding act on the part of those to whom God has given His Word. As the Lord addresses the prayers you have set before Him, ask yourself, "What is the one thing I will do in light of what I have discovered today?" Record this and commit to carrying it out today.