

A Message From Our Pastor



My Dear Loved Ones,

Black History Month will come to a close in just a few days. We must not allow the end of February to be the end of our celebration of who we are, whose we are, and how great we are! We must celebrate our greatness not merely by remembering the greatness and the courage of our foremothers and forefathers, but we must celebrate greatness by each of us individually and collectively striving for greatness in our own individual lives and in the life of our local congregation.

In my preaching for the month, I sought to remind us of our serious responsibility as a predominantly African American congregation, in an urban setting. It cannot be ignored that our faith in Jesus Christ has been the anchor that enabled generations of our ancestors to hold on and press on despite the many odds that were placed before them. In the face of those odds and obstacles they persevered and proved that they were indeed, "more than conquerors." Not only did they conquer, they thrived and they helped to make our nation and our world a better place as they infected the world with faith and works. We too must take up the very same mantle and continue to be an agent of hope, help, and healing in the lives of people. That must ever be our goal.

As we continue to move through the Lent, I pray that you are taking this journey seriously. We must not proceed without being serious about our growth and about becoming more committed in our faith. Our Lenten journey which culminates on Resurrection Sunday, should result in a more committed and more energized people who are serious about doing the work and will of the Lord. It is my hope that we will be such a people.

On next Sunday, we will worship in ONE SERVICE at 9:30am. In this service we will install our 2018 Ministry Leaders and at 4:00pm we will welcome the Gospel Choir of East Carolina University who will be in concert here. Let us make the adjustment to our calendars and be in worship on next Sunday all day.

PLEASE read carefully the upcoming dates and be in place as we are called to be. As we proceed through this new week, may we all be DETERMINED to grow more deeply in love with the Lord and with one another.

I love you with all of my love!

Pastor Clayton

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St. Luke at Worship

Sunday, February 25, 2018
7:30am and 10:50am Worship Services
Second Sunday of Lent

From World to Worship...

MORNING PRAISE

PLEASE STAND AS WE SING PRAISE TO GOD

The Call to Worship

The Hymn of Worship

Hymn #503 "Walk With Me"

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 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

Rev. Aisha Taylor Issah

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 renew our commitment to congregational prayer.”

The SLBC Family Extends a Word of Welcome to

Davon Bunch

Gail Nolton

Kayla Nolton

Who Received the Right Hand of Fellowship on Last Sunday!



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

“If we are fighting each other, we cannot fight our enemy.”

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

During the month of February our offering for Missions and Benevolence will be designated for selected Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU's). EVERY SLBC disciple is asked to give sacrificially on this line on our envelopes (or electronically) to support this annual effort.

- This morning in the absence of Pastor Clayton, Rev. Aisha Taylor Issah will preach. Let us pray with her and for her as preaches 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.
- 2017 Contribution Request Forms are now available at both entrances of the Church. Completing and submitting this form is **THE ONLY** means by which your contribution statement will be given to you.
- 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, February 26 – Sunday, March 4, 2018

Monday, February 26, 2018

7:00 AM	“Determined” television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	
5:30 PM	D.S. Education Alliance Performing Arts	St. Luke Learning Center
5:30 PM	The Children’s Dance Ministry (ages 5-12) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Tuskegee Room
6:00 PM	New Discipleship Class – Class #8 part B	New Discipleship Room
6:00 PM	The Teen Dance Ministry (ages 13-17) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Sanctuary
6:30 PM	Exercise Class	Founders Hall

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Christhouse is Open	
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 are invited to attend.	Founders Hall
7:00 PM	The Voices of St. Luke/Mass Choir will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend.	Overflow

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Churchwide Fast – 6:00am-6:00pm

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 18 as we study “Jesus is Arrested.”	Overflow
5:30 PM-7:30 PM	St. Luke CDC Computer Lab is Open	305 Broadway
5:30 PM	The Adult Dance Ministry (ages 35 and up) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Founders Hall
6:00 PM	We will break the fast	Founders Hall
6:45 PM	Evening Prayer Service. The Young Adult Ministry of SLBC will lead us in our time of prayer.	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Adult Bible Study. Please read 2 nd Peter chapter 2:17-22 as we study False Freedom.	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Young Adult Bible Study will be held. Please read 1 st Thessalonians chapter 4 as we study The Pursuit of Holiness.	Chapel

Thursday, March 1, 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
5:30 PM	The Children’s Dance Ministry (ages 5-12) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Tuskegee Room
6:30 PM	The Adult Dance Ministry (ages 35 and up) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Founders Hall
7:00 PM	The Voices of St. Luke/Mass 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, March 2, 2018

7:00 PM	“J.A.M. City” (our Children’s Ministry) will meet. ALL children ages 5-12 are invited to be present and bring a friend!	St. Luke Learning Center
7:00 PM	Young Adult Ministry’s First Friday Fellowship	Youth Center

Saturday, March 3, 2018

9:00 AM	Women’s Bible Study	Chapel
11:00 AM	The Women’s Ministry Outreach at Straight and Narrow (Secaucus)	
11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Christhouse is Open	
3:00 PM	The Missionaries’ and Patricia Tyler Guild’s Monthly Outreach at Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center in Paterson	
4:00 PM	“Determined” television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	

Sunday, March 4, 2018

9:00 AM	Early Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	United Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:30 AM	The Youth/Young Adult Ushers will meet following the morning worship service. ALL present and future Youth/Young Adult Ushers are asked to be present.	Chapel
4:00 PM	We will welcome and host the East Carolina University Gospel Choir in concert here at SLBC. We are all invited to share in this 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.

March 7th –
March 14th – Dance Ministry

March 21st – Young Adults
March 28th – Men of SLBC

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

At 7:00pm we will host a special conversation about Sexual Abuse. Our Guest Facilitator will be the Rev. Dr. LaKeesha Walrond, Author of *My Body Is Special*. We are ALL encouraged to share in this discussion.

Attention Ladies of the Luke!!!

Sundays, March 11th, 18th and 25th
9:45am – Sanctuary

Special Sunday Women's Bible Study
"#metoo – God's Response to Abuse"

#METOO



Facilitator:

Rev. Thurselle Williams



Sunday, March 11, 2018

At 3:30pm we will worship with Pastor Janel York and the Friendship Baptist Church of Paterson in celebration of Pastor York's 2nd Pastoral Anniversary. Pastor Clayton will preach, the Mass Choir will sing, and the Ushers and Nurses are asked to serve. We are all invited to share in this service.

Sunday, March 18, 2018

At 4:00pm the Combined Health Ministry and Combined Ushers Ministry will celebrate their Annual Day in worship. Our special guests will be the Rev. Dr. J. Michael Sanders and the Fountain Baptist Church of Summit, NJ.

Sunday, March 25, 2018 – Palm Sunday!

Monday, March 26 – Friday, March 30, 2018 – Holy Week!



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 Carolyne McClide on the death of her cousin
Sister Verlean Moss on the death of her uncle

Those Hospitalized or In: Nursing Homes or Adult Facilities:

Brother Johnny Brown
Oakland Rehabilitation Center
Oakland, NJ

Sister Mae Jones.
Lakeview Rehabilitation Center
Wayne, NJ

Sister Nellie Reed
Atrium at Wayne Care Center
Wayne, NJ

Sister Connie Clayton
Chestnut Convalescent Center
Passaic, NJ

Deacon Jack Moore
NJ Veterans Memorial
Paramus, NJ

Sister Lucy Ross
Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center
Paterson, NJ

Those Recovering at Home:

Sister Gloria Battle
Sister Jean Battle
Sister Mabel Biggs
Sister Edna Black
Sister Laverne Bowman
Sister Bertha Buffaloe
Brother Joseph Clayton, Jr
Sister Pauline Cooper
Brother Peter Daye, Jr.

Sister Mary DeGroat
Sister Edith Douglas
Sister Wendy Drakeford
Sister Beulah Jackson
Sister Rachel Jackson
Sister Damita McClam
Sister Dorothy Moore
Sister Laura Parker
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

Those In Need of Healing and Strength:

Sister Thwana Bowman
Brother Carnie P. Bragg, Jr.

Sister Jennifer Foxworth
Sister Hattie Haynesworth

Sister Patricia Myles
Sister Ethel Thomas

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

Our Deacons of the Week:

Joseph Brown

Mary Brown

Richard Sumter

****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

Henry Johnson

Leslie Johnson

James Lee

Michael Mantovani

Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney

Otis McKay

Mack Simpkins, Jr.

Johnnie Sims, Jr.

Glenda Smith

Our College Students:

Niashonda Brimley

Sierra Gerald

Janiah Mitchell

Tyler Sumter

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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Kenneth D.R. Clayton, Senior Pastor

2018 Holy Week Services... "On the Road to Resurrection"

Holy Week Noonday Worship Services



Monday, March 26, 2018

12:00 Noon

Guest Preacher:

Rev. Dr. Jerry M. Carter
Calvary Baptist Church
Morristown, NJ



Tuesday, March 27, 2018

12:00 Noon

Guest Preacher:

Rev. Sheleta Fomby
Reid Temple AME Church
Silver Springs, MD



Wednesday, March 28, 2018

12:00 Noon

Guest Preacher:

Rev. Maurice Porter
Shiloh Baptist Church
Hartford, CT

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Thursday, March 29, 2018

7:00pm



Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Ann Lightner-Fuller

Good Friday Worship Service

"SEVEN WORDS ONE FRIDAY"

Friday, March 30, 2018

12:00 Noon



Rev. Dr. Danielle Brown
Cathedral International
Perth Amboy, NJ



Rev. Dr. Nichole Drakeford
First Baptist Church
Vauxhall, NJ



Rev. Dr. Bernadette Glover-Williams
St. Paul Baptist Church
Montclair, NJ



Rev. Craig Johnson
Jehovah-Jireh Baptist Church
New York, NY



Rev. Dana P. Owens
Messiah Baptist Church
East Orange, NJ



Rev. Lester Wormley
Liberty Baptist Church
Elizabeth, NJ



Rev. Janel York
Friendship Baptist Church
Paterson, NJ

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

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Taylor Moore, Percussionist

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Gail Brown


Stanley DeVore

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 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

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[@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.

Shiloh Baptist Association of NJ, Inc.

A MESSAGE FROM “REV. AISHA”



Greetings St. Luke Family,

What a blessing it is to greet you all in the strong name of Jesus! I trust you have all had a blessed week and are looking forward to the week ahead. We are approaching the end of Black History Month. The good news is that Black History month is really every month. We should celebrate the accomplishments of people of color every chance we get. More importantly, we must work hard to continue the rich legacies of those who came before us.

Next month, we turn our attention on Women’s History. There is no doubt that the contributions of women to our society have been unmatched. Where would any of us be without the accomplishments, strength, and fortitude of women, particularly women of color? As we move into this next month, let’s all do our best to honor the women in our lives and pay tribute to their impact.

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

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! **Join us next week, February 28th as we begin our new series “The Pursuit of Holiness.” Please read 1st Thessalonians 4.**

Young Adult Ministry – First Friday Fellowship

Please save the date for our next First Friday Fellowship on Friday, March 2nd at 7:00pm. Details will be forthcoming.

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. Attendees do not have to be members of the church to attend. So, teens can feel free to bring their friends or family members. 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, February 12th – Saturday, February 17th Christhouse served 142 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, March 2, 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, March 9, 2018

at 7:00pm



ALL TEENS

(ages 13-18)

are invited to be present and bring a friend!

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“Setting Parameters and Becoming Free”

#ametoconversation

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

7:00pm



Facilitator:

Rev. Dr. LaKeesha Walrond

Author, My Body Is Special

1 out of every 3 women have
experienced physical and/or
sexual violence worldwide

**This Discussion/Dialogue is NOT JUST for Women/Girls.
Open to ALL.**

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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.

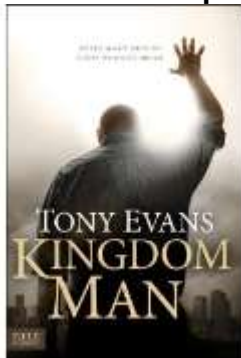
NEED A PLACE TO PRAY?

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



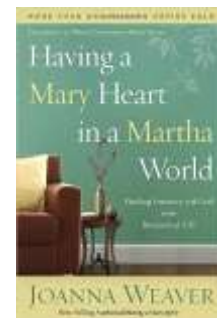
Read Chapter 14

"A Kingdom Man and His Church Life"

Attention Ladies of the Luke...

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

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



Book is available for purchase in
Bookstore.

Cost - \$10.00

Our 2018 Lenten Journey

This week Monday through Friday, we are abstaining from all social media outlets.

FAST from 6:00am-6:00pm each **WEDNESDAY** during Lent. Throughout the day as you are fasting, **PRAY** for a closer walk and greater commitment to Christ, and for a more obedient life as a disciple of Jesus Christ

BREAK THE FAST at 6:00pm in Founders Hall on each **WEDNESDAY** during Lent.

PARTICIPATE in our Lenten Journey. Share in our designated weeks of abstaining from foods/practices; **FAST** on Wednesdays; **READ** our Lenten Devotional; **SACRIFICE** for missions by saving an amount designated by you each day of Lent to be given on Resurrection Sunday for local and foreign missions support; and be serious about deepening your faith that we might live resurrected lives and lead unsaved/unchurched people to new life in Christ.

COMMIT to deepening your discipleship **DURING** and **AFTER** Lent by participating in Bible Study, Congregational Prayer, and participating in a service ministry.

Ezra 8:23

“So we fasted and earnestly prayed that our God would take care of us and He heard our prayers.”

Matthew 17:21

“However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.”



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.