

A Message From Our Pastor



My Dear Loved Ones,

The celebration/commemoration of Black History Month has commenced. Throughout this month our nation will pause to remember, celebrate, and honor the many contributions that African Americans have made to our world. The very real truth is that America and our world would not be as productive as we are without the ingenuity of African Americans. In every aspect of life and living, the genius of our people is seen. This truth should fill us with pride, but also compel us to continue to pursue and seek excellence in every area of our lives.

It is sad that the clock in America has seemingly been rolled back. The current climate of tension, division, and suspicion is reminiscent of 1950's and 1960's. The current occupant of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue has ignited and continues to stoke an evil flame of hate against poor and marginalized people. He has normalized hate in our country and the connected results of his words and behavior are frightening.

In the face of such vitriol in the our past, the black church vigilantly pressed forward and ahead, believing that "there was a bright side somewhere." The church was committed to pursuing that bright side and making its blessings a reality to all who would dare trust God for it. Today, we must reclaim that same vigilant faith and not allow the Pharaoh's of our present time to enslave us or diminish our hope.

My hope and prayer for St. Luke is that our collective congregational ministry will be committed to instilling hope in the lives of people and that in practical ways, we will give individuals the tools that they need to live above and beyond the simple and the mediocre. The church worldwide and St. Luke specifically must be burdened to bear our cross, and to willingly embrace and accept the pain that goes with loving people, leading people, and lifting people. This is indeed our calling, our task, and our responsibility.

I am excited about the opportunity to preach during this month. We will also begin our journey of Lent in February and I am praying that this year's journey will ignite in each of us a stronger desire to surrender our lives to the will, way, and Word of our God.

I love you with all of my love!

Pastor Clayton

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St. Luke at Worship

Sunday, February 4, 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 #293 "We've Come a Long Way"

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 for God’s power to be active and alive in SLBC and every SLBC disciple.”



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

“Spirituality with no practicality has no functionality.”

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

- 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.

****Please be advised that participation in any St. Luke Baptist Church experience grants us permission to respectfully use, reproduce, and/or publish photography, videos or print materials with your name, image, likeness, and/or voice in any/all of our publications and outreach efforts including but not limited to our website, social media outlets, worship, discipleship or evangelism materials without compensation or any other consideration.***



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 5 – Sunday, February 11, 2018

Monday, February 5, 2018

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| 7:00 AM | "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75 | |
| 5:30 PM | D.S. Education Alliance Performing Arts | St. Luke Learning Center |
| 6:00 PM | New Discipleship Class – Class #6 | New Discipleship Room |
| 6:30 PM | Exercise Class | Founders Hall |

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

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| 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 are invited to attend. | 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 |
| 6:00 PM | The Floral Ministry will meet. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend. | Chapel |
| 6:30 PM | The Adult Dance Ministry (ages 35 and up) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend. | Tuskegee Room |
| 7:00 PM | The Young Adult Choir will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend. | Overflow |
| 8:00 PM | The Mass Choir will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend, | Overflow |

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

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| 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 | The Senior VIP's will meet. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend. | Overflow |
| 5:30 PM-7:30 PM | St. Luke CDC Computer Lab is Open | 305 Broadway |
| 6:45 PM | Evening Prayer Service. The Deacons, Deaconess and Trustees 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 Nehemiah Chapter 13 as we study Becoming Godly Leaders. | Chapel |

Thursday, February 8, 2018

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| 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. | Founders Hall |
| 7:00 PM | The Young Adult Choir will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend. | Overflow |
| 7:30 PM | The Straight and Narrow Outreach Team will meet. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend. | Chapel |
| 9:00 PM | "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75 | |

Friday, February 9, 2018

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| 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 | "F.R.E.E. Fridays" (our Youth Ministry) will meet. ALL teens ages 13-18 are invited to be present and bring a friend! | Youth Center |

Saturday, February 10, 2018

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| 9:00 AM | Women's Bible Study | Chapel |
| 11:00 AM-2:00 PM | Christhouse is Open | |
| 4:00 PM | "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75 | |

Sunday, February 11, 2018

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| 9:00 AM | Early Morning Prayer | Sanctuary |
| 9:30 AM | United Worship Service | Sanctuary |
| 3:00 PM | SLBC will host the 2018 Black History Month Celebration sponsored by Senator Bob Menendez. We are all invited to be a part of this service. The SLBC Mass Choir will sing and our Adult Ushers are asked to serve. | 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.

February 14th – NO PRAYER/BIBLE STUDY

February 28th – Young Adult Ministry

February 21st – Adult Ushers

Sunday, February 18, 2018

At 4:00pm we will celebrate in the Lord's Supper (Communion). In conjunction with this service the Deacons, Deaconess, and Trustees will celebrate their service to our congregation. Our special guests will be the Rev. Dr. Thomas Johnson, Sr. and the Canaan Baptist Church of Christ of New York, NY.

Sunday, March 4, 2018

In a United Worship Service at 9:30am we will have the Installation of our 2018 Ministry Leaders.

At 4:00pm 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.



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 Frances Alston on the death of her daughter

Those Hospitalized or In: Nursing Homes or Adult Facilities:

Brother Johnny Brown
Doctors Subacute Care
Paterson, NJ

Brother Peter Daye, Jr.
St. Joseph's Hospital
Paterson, NJ

Deacon Jack Moore
NJ Veterans Memorial
Paramus, NJ

Sister Connie Clayton
Chestnut Convalescent Center
Passaic, NJ

Sister Mae Jones
Advanced Care Center at Wayne
Wayne, NJ

Sister Nellie Reed
Atrium at Wayne Care Center
Wayne, NJ

Sister Pauline Cooper
Doctors Subacute Care
Paterson, NJ

Sister Dorothy Moore
Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center
Paterson, NJ

Sister Patricia Thompson
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
Sister Bessie Buffaloe
Brother Joseph Clayton, Jr.
Sister Tonya Clayton
Brother Richard Cook

Sister Tracy Cooper
Sister Mary DeGroat
Sister Edith Douglas
Sister Wendy Drakeford
Sister Beulah Jackson
Sister Rachel Jackson
Brother Anthony Johnson
Sister Damita McClam
Brother Joseph Purnell

Sister Georgiana Rogers
Sister Lucy Ross
Sister Stephanie Samuels
Sister Lucille Sumter
Sister Mary Thomas-Carter
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:

Marc Medley

Lestine Robinson

****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

Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney

Otis McKay

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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NAACP Sunday!

Sunday, February 11, 2018



The Black Church and the NAACP have been partners in the struggle for equality since the inception of the NAACP in 1909.

The mission of the NAACP is to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate race-based discrimination. The local branches exist to engage in this mission in their local communities.

As we prepare to celebrate the 109th anniversary of the NAACP on February 12, 2018, Sunday, February 11, 2018 is being designated NAACP CHURCH SUNDAY throughout the State of NJ.

On this day we are asking SLBC disciples to:

- Begin or renew your NAACP membership in the branch of the city where you reside.
- Begin regularly attending NAACP meetings.
- Become an active part of progressive change in your community.

You can begin **TODAY** in the SLBC Bookstore.

- ***Regular Adult Memberships - \$30.00***
- ***Youth Memberships - \$15.00***

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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

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Instagram

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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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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,

Here we are in the first Sunday in the month of February. We might as well say that it's no longer a “new” year. 2018 has been full of ups, downs, and in-betweens in just the first month. I'm familiar with many who wish they could get a “do-over” for the New Year because 2018 has already been quite difficult. Unfortunately, we can't. There is no rewind, pause, or stop in this thing called life. We can't undo the past. But what we can do is start over. I feel like there are many of our young people who think that “things always have to be this way.” Many allow their past mistakes, experiences, and challenges cripple them from becoming who God created them to be. But the reality is that we can ALWAYS start over. Starting over doesn't undo the past. Instead, it allows us to begin again with a new perspective on the past. Let's all commit to being more intentional about starting over. We can't change what's been done. But we can change how what's been done impacts us overall.

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! **Please read Nehemiah Chapter 13 for our final lesson in our series on *Becoming Godly Leaders* on February 7th.**

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 22nd – Saturday, January 27th Christhouse served 203 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.

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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, February 9, 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, February 9, 2018

at 7:00pm



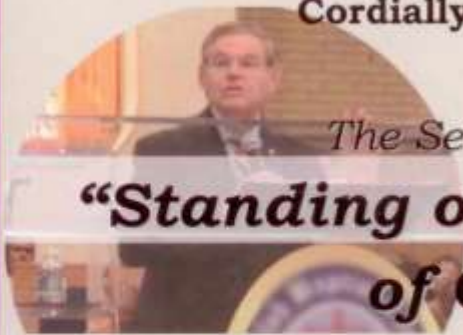
ALL TEENS

(ages 13-18)

are invited to be present and bring a friend!

U.S. Senator Bob Menendez

Cordially Invites You To



The Seventh Annual

“Standing on the Shoulders of Giants”

Black History Month Celebration

Featuring Keynote Speaker:

Mayor Ras Baraka

City of Newark, NJ



2018 Honorees:

- African American Chamber of Commerce
- African American Heritage Parade and Festival Organization
- NJ Institute for Social Justice

**Sunday, February 11, 2018 at
3:00 p.m.** (Doors open at 2:30pm)

St. Luke Baptist Church
139 A.M. Tyler Place (Carroll Street)
Paterson, NJ 07501

Host Pastor: Rev. Kenneth D.R. Clayton

Mistress of Ceremonies: Michellene Davis, Esq.

To RSVP please call
973-645-5967
or visit

<https://menendez.senate.gov/bhm-rsvp>

A light dinner will be served immediately following the program

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.

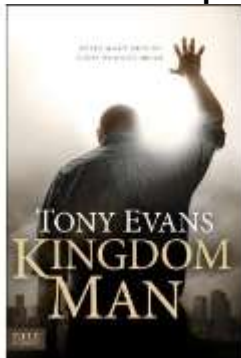
NEED A PLACE TO PRAY?

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

Saturday, February 10th
9:00am



Book is available for purchase in
Bookstore.

Cost - \$10.00

The Beginning of Our Lenten Journey...2018

On Tuesday, February 13, 2018 we will begin our 2018 Lenten Journey. Plan and prepare **NOW** to join us as we:

FAST on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 from 6:00am-6:00pm and 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 on February 13th in Founders Hall and on each **WEDNESDAY** during Lent.

WORSHIP at 7:00pm in Pre-Ash Wednesday Worship Service. Our Guest Preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Raquel Lettsome.



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.