

A Message From Our Pastor



My Dear Loved Ones,

Today in worship, the wonderful women of our congregation celebrate Women's Day 2018! As we worship and give God thanks and praise for His goodness to us, we pause to salute and celebrate the outstanding contributions that the Ladies of the Luke make to support and advance our ministry. Our congregation would not be as great as she is, without the spiritual, physical and financial support that the women of our congregation provide.

Women serve at every level of leadership at St. Luke. Through the Women's Ministry and the varied initiatives which are a part of this ministry, the women of our congregation are challenged to grow and serve through the five pillars of Worship, Discipleship, Fellowship, Outreach and Service that guide and direct the focus of SLBC. It is my hope that the number of women who engage in our work increases and that in the life of SLBC there will be authentic, God honoring sisterhood where women of all generations are strengthened in their faith and growing in their discipleship. This remains our goal and our aim.

May today's worship fuel the women of SLBC and the men as well into a greater commitment to be all that the Lord wants us to be for Him and for this community that we are called to serve.

As we are now in the month of June, we will kick-off several initiatives under the umbrella of "WIN" (Witnessing In the Neighborhood). As we are DETERMINED to Make Christ Known, we must ensure that we do such first in our local community and then beyond! Our first 2018 endeavor will be our Community Kids Day which will be held on next Saturday in Parking Lot #1. It will be a time of food, fellowship, and fun for children in our church and community ages 5-12. I encourage you now, to promote this event and invite parents with children in this age group to bring their children and also invite them to worship with us on next Sunday in our morning worship as we celebrate children as well. We must be intentional about being witnesses for Christ. The salvation of our community depends on us.

May we all be diligent and faithful in all that the Lord has assigned to our hands to do. As we are faithful to God, then God will be faithful to us.

I am honored to welcome our Guest Preacher for today, the Rev. Nicole Gross. I look forward to being blessed by this dynamic preacher of the Gospel. May our prayers join her as she preaches today.

As a new week of ministry and service dawns upon us, may we continue to grow together and fall more deeply in love with God's will, God's Word and God's way!

I love you with all of my love.

Pastor Clayton

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St. Luke at Worship

Women's Day 2018

Sunday, June 3, 2018

9:30am Worship Service

Worship Leader – Rev. Aisha Taylor Issah

From World to Worship...

MORNING PRAISE

PLEASE STAND AS WE SING PRAISE TO GOD

The Call to Worship

The Hymn of Worship

Hymn #248 "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"

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

Sister Gail Allen

The Ministry of Music

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

Sister Sandra Purnell

The Ministry of Music

The Morning Message

Rev. Nicole Caldwell-Gross
St. Mark's United Methodist Church – Montclair, NJ

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

11:30am – 12:00noon

Wednesday

12:45pm – 1:15pm

Our Prayer Emphasis for the Week

“This week we are challenged to pray for the success of our Community Kids Day and all of our WIN activities.”

The SLBC Family Extends a Word of Welcome to

Nina N. Rountree

Who Made a Decision for Christ and Became A Part of Our Family!



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

“Priorities must drive your decisions or decisions will drive your priorities.”

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

- We celebrate Women's Day 2018. Our Guest Celebrant is the Rev. Nicole Caldwell-Gross of St. Mark's United Methodist Church of Montclair, NJ. The 2018 Women's Day Choir will sing and all women of our congregation are asked to give a sacrificial gift of \$100.00 beyond our regular tithes and offerings.
- Pastor Clayton and the SLBC family welcome home (for the summer) our returning college students. We look forward to seeing you in worship, service, and study!
- 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 9:30am 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 Morning 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, June 4 – Sunday, June 10, 2018

Monday, June 4, 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
6:00 PM	New Discipleship Class – Class #4	New Discipleship Room
6:30 PM	The Missionaries will meet. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Overflow
6:30 PM	Exercise Class	Founders Hall

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Christhouse is Open	
6:00 PM	The Teen and Young Adult Dance Ministry (ages 13-34) 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

Wednesday, June 6, 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	The Senior VIP’s will meet. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Overflow

Bible Study Classes will be cancelled. ALL classes will resume on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 12:00 Noon and 7:30pm.

Thursday, June 7, 2018

11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Christhouse is Open	
6:00 PM	The Teen and Young Adult Dance Ministry (ages 13-34) 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
9:00 PM	“Determined” television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	

Friday, June 8, 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	“F.R.E.E. Fridays” (our Youth Ministry) will meet. ALL teens ages 13-18 are invited to be present and bring a friend!	St. Luke Learning Center

Saturday, June 9, 2018

9:00 AM	Women’s Bible Study	Chapel
9:30 AM	The St. Luke CDC will meet.	A.M. Tyler Conference Room
11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Christhouse is Open	
12:00 NOON	Community Kids Day	Fair Street
4:00 PM	“Determined” television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	

Sunday, June 10, 2018

8:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
8:30 AM	Sunday Morning Bible Study and New Discipleship Classes	
	Adult New Discipleship Class – Class #7	New Discipleship Room
	Children’s New Discipleship Class – Class #2	Tuskegee Room
9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00 PM	We will observe Baptism and the Lord’s Supper (Communion). Our special guests will be the Rev. Dr. Charlie Stallworth who will be accompanied by the choirs and members of the East End Baptist Tabernacle Church of Bridgeport, CT.	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.

June 13th – Young Adults

June 27th – Birthday Ministry

June 20th – Sight and Sound Ministry

Saturday, June 16, 2018

At 9:00am SLBC will participate in the Annual African American Heritage Parade.

Sunday, June 17, 2018 – Father's Day

Sunday, June 24, 2018 – Graduates Recognition Sunday

In our morning worship service we will honor ALL 2018 graduates. Following the worship service there will be a reception in Founders Hall for the graduates and their family.



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



Those Hospitalized or In: Nursing Homes or Adult Facilities:

Sister Edna Black Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center Paterson, NJ	Sister Mary DeGroat Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center Paterson, NJ	Deacon Jack Moore NJ Veterans Memorial Paramus, NJ
Brother Johnny Brown Oakland Rehabilitation Center Oakland, NJ	Sister Angela Dockery Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center Paterson, NJ	Sister Nellie Reed Atrium at Wayne Care Center Wayne, NJ
Sister Connie Clayton Chestnut Convalescent Center Passaic, NJ	Sister Mae Jones Lakeview Rehabilitation Center Wayne, NJ	

Those Recovering at Home:

Sister Gloria Battle Sister Jean Battle Sister Mabel Biggs Brother Joseph Clayton, Jr Brother Peter Daye, Jr. Sister Edith Douglas Sister Wendy Drakeford Sister Geraldine Elam Sister Ocie High	Sister Valerie Ingram Sister Beulah Jackson Sister Brenda Jackson Sister Rachel Jackson Sister Damita McClam Sister Johnnie Mae Mason Sister Laura Parker Sister Christola Roberts Sister Georgiana Rogers	Sister Stephanie Samuels Brother Roger Sims 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 Hattie Haynesworth Sister Patricia Myles	Sister Edna Sumter 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:

Joseph Brown	Mary Brown	Richard Sumter
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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
Rev. Dr. Charles E. Booth
Flora Bryant
Cynthia Buffaloe
Naomi Coleman
Bobby Jean Dolberry
Constance Fletcher
Mary Ford
Harrie Graham
Lovey Gray
Leola Hargrove
Josephine Herman

Chase Hill
Henry Johnson
Leslie Johnson
Caryn Kitchings
James Lee
Michael Mantovani
Dexter Martin
Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney
Otis McKay
Viola Menefee
Lucille Orr
Horace Parker

Linda Pittman
Rev. Robert Pittman
Teverra Pittman
Bishop Jerome Ross
Mack Simpkins, Jr.
Johnnie Sims, Jr.
Glenda Smith
Katie Thomas
Lee Whitaker
Zellah Wilkinson
Priscilla Williams
Shamika Wormley

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)
Jiquan Smallwood (grandson of Patricia Smallwood)
Mystic Smith (niece of Tanya Williams)
Kareem Stephen
Jabir Williams
Nyree Wilson
Sterling Wynn (son of Germaine Romero)

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We Welcome To Our Pulpit ***Rev. Nicole Caldwell-Gross***



Rev. Nicole T. Caldwell-Gross is a woman on fire for Christ! A native of Detroit, Michigan she accepted the call to ministry while a student at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Massachusetts. A former politics major she is committed to engaging in world issues through the Christian Faith. Upon her graduation, she enrolled at Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey. During her matriculation in the Master of Divinity program, her studies called her as far as Calcutta, India and Johannesburg, South Africa where she served as an Interning Minister at Trinity Church, Gauteng. Graduating from Princeton in May 2010, Rev. Caldwell-Gross was honored with the George L. Rentschler Award in Speech Communication and Ministry.

From December 2007 until July 2011 she served as Minister of Youth and leader of the Works in Progress Ministry at Union Baptist Church in Trenton, New Jersey. After relocating to Atlantic City she served as the Pastor of Youth and Young Adults at Asbury United Methodist Church. When Superstorm Sandy hit Atlantic City, Rev. Caldwell-Gross began work as the Public Relations and Volunteer Manager at the Atlantic City Long Term Recovery Group. There she managed media relations and built partnering relationships with hundreds of volunteers who reconstructed residents' homes.

In 2014 she began serving as the Director of Mission and Community Development for the United Methodist Church of Greater New Jersey, directing and developing missional and community development strategies for 550 congregations in the region. In this role, Rev. Caldwell-Gross coaches pastors, leads clergy excellence cohorts, and developed and implemented Communities of Hope: an asset based community development as strategic planning resource that equips congregations to develop and organize their communities for greater social impact. Additionally, she co-leads the Intercultural Competency Initiative and successfully wrote and secured grant funding from the General Commission on Race Religion for The Joshua Generation: equipping the next generation of social justice leaders.

To ministry she brings a humble spirit, a sincere passion for mission and an active hope for the next generation. Through her preaching and teaching she hopes to engage the "churched and unchurched" and present dynamic opportunities for spiritual and missional growth. Her life is further enriched by her marriage to the Rev. Jevon Caldwell-Gross and together they delight in their children: Joshua Alexander, Olivia Grace and Isabella Joy.

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To Stay Connected to SLBC:



Facebook

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Facebook for Youth Ministry

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A MESSAGE FROM “REV. AISHA”



Greetings St. Luke Family,

This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! I pray that you are all rejoicing today, despite whatever you might be going through. I am so blessed to be able to celebrate another Women's Day with the beautiful women of St. Luke. We have some of the most supportive, loving, and gifted women here and I'm honored to be surrounded by such greatness. Black women have such a critical role in our society and many of us wouldn't be here today if it weren't for the love of a Black woman. What has been the greatest impact on my life has been the faith of Black women. I've watched so many strong, fearless, and brave women rely on the power of God to get them through some very difficult times. This has been my greatest inspiration. I pray that our women are celebrated and loved today and every day, knowing that with God, all things are possible!

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

SAVE THE DATE!!! – COMMUNITY KIDS DAY

Please save the date and plan to join us for our first Community Kids Day on Saturday, June 9th from 12:00noon to 4:00pm here at the church. All children (pre-school through middle school) from our church and the community are invited to join us here at the church for an outdoor day of games, activities, prizes, snacks, and more! We are excited to celebrate and encourage the children in our community and hope that you'll join us and bring the children from your family and the community. All are welcome! For more information or to sign up as a volunteer on that day, please contact Rev. Aisha.

SAVE THE DATE!!! – 2018 YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

Please save the dates now and prepare to join us for our annual Young Adult Retreat Friday, September 14th – Sunday, September 16th at Spruce Lake Retreat Center in the Poconos. If you've ever been to one of our retreats then you know that this is an experience you don't want to miss. If you've never been, then we promise you this is an experience you don't want to miss. The cost per person is \$175 and includes transportation, meals, and lodging. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due today to reserve your space. You can sign up in the bookstore. Please contact me for more information.

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 on June 13th as we continue our series on “The Pursuit of Holiness.”**

SAVE THE DATE!!! – 2018 YOUTH RETREAT

Please save the dates now and prepare to join us for our annual Youth Retreat on Friday, October 5th – Sunday, October 7th at Spruce Lake Retreat Center in the Poconos. All youth, ages 13-18, are invited to join us for what is always a spiritually transformative experience, filled with lots of fun and fellowship. The cost per person is \$175 and includes transportation, meals, and lodging. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due today to reserve your space. You can sign up in the bookstore. Please contact me for more information.

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

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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



*** 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, May 21st – Saturday, May 26th Christhouse served 162 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!



Join Us For Sunday Bible Study!!

Sunday Mornings at 8:30am

<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	Dea. 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 meet

Friday, June 8, 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, June 8, 2018

at 7:00pm



ALL TEENS

(ages 13-18)

are invited to be present and bring a friend!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Join Us For the

2018 Young Adult Retreat

Friday, September 14 - Sunday, September 16, 2018

at

Spruce Lake Retreat Center in the Poconos

Cost per Person - \$175.00

Non-Refundable Deposit of \$50.00

Deposit Due: TODAY

**Sign Up in the Bookstore
TODAY!**

Contact Rev. Aisha for more
information.

Youth Ministry
Youth Ministry

(For Youth Ages 13-18)

Join Us For the

2018 Youth Retreat

Friday, October 5 - Sunday, October 7, 2018

at

Spruce Lake Retreat Center in the Poconos

Cost per Person - \$175.00

Non-Refundable Deposit of \$50.00

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Attention SLBC Disciples...



SLBC Prayer Times

Sunday – 8:00am

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.

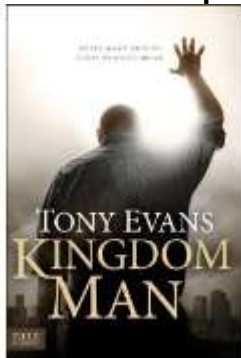
NEED A PLACE TO PRAY?

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 8:30am
in the Chapel



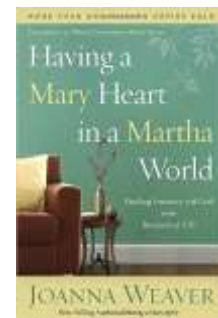
Read Chapter 14

“A Kingdom Man and His Church Life”

Attention Ladies of the Luke...

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

Saturday, June 9th
9:00am



Book is available for purchase in
Bookstore.

Cost - \$10.00

SLBC On a Mission...

"When I was hungry you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." – Matthew 25:35-36

"Go into all the world. Ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and unto the uttermost." – Acts 1:8

Once again, we are called to help those in need.
We will be donating food and clothing items to assist
Christhouse as well as those in St. Thomas.

Christhouse is in need of the following:

Nonperishable Items: Pasta, Rice, Ramen Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce, Tuna Fish, and Vienna Sausages



Clothing in all sizes for: Men, Women, Boys, Girls, Toddlers and Infants



Items Needed for St. Thomas Include:

Bedding: blankets, pillow cases, and sheets (full and queen), towels and washcloths



D-batteries



Dry foods: dried beans, rice, oats, etc.



Hygiene Products: Body wash, razors, toothbrush, toothpaste, q-tips, feminine products, etc.



Insect Repellent



Details for clothing items needed will be forthcoming.

ALL of the items for both efforts can be placed in the receptacles found at either entrance.

"Where this is an omission of the commission there is no mission."

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.