A Message From Our Pastor



My Dear Loved Ones,

On last week we celebrated our 2017 graduates and shared in our 2017 Youth/Young Adult Revival. These celebrations in worship provided for us a wonderful opportunity to celebrate those advancing in their pursuit and/or discovery of God's plan for their lives and for us to seek to lead our children,

youth, and young adults to Christ.

In all that we do as a congregation, we must make winning our children and discipling our children an important priority for our families and for our congregation. If we do not take seriously leading them to Christ then they may fall prey to the temptation to succumb to the wickedness, sin, and depravity that has caused so many to miss ever becoming all that the Lord has promised and planned for them to become. While we cannot make anyone choose Christ, we can (and should) create and sustain an environment where the power of God is alive and active, leading us to bear witness to, "the Lord adding to the church daily such as should be saved."

As we move through the summer we are planning for our events that will take place in August. I invite and request you to be seriously in prayer for and about all that we seek to be and do as a congregation. We are making every attempt to BE THE CHURCH and do the will of the Lord in our local community. To achieve this goal, we must have the full and consistent support of EVERY PERSON who claims to be a follower of Christ and a part of this wonderful congregation of believers that we call St. Luke Church.

I continue to invite each of you to join us in our Summer Sunday Bible Study Class. We are being challenged to better understand how we can more effectively serve the Lord together and ensure that SLBC will be a healthy, growing, life changing congregation that brings hope and healing into our community. To this end, may we all labor as we strive to be, "A Church Determined to Know Christ and Make Him Known."

I love each and every one of you, with all of my love!

Pastor Clayton

Let's stay connected. Become my friend on ■ www.facebook.com/kdrclayton; Follow me on ■ @kdrclayton or on ■ @kdrclayton.

St. Luke at Worship

Sunday, July 16, 2017 9:30am Worship Service

From World to Worship...

MORNING PRAISE

PLEASE STAND AS WE SING PRAISE TO GOD

The Call to Worship

"O come let us worship the Lord our creator and redeemer. Let us worship in the beauty of holiness and give praise to His name. For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised."

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

The Choral Response

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.

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 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 SLBC disciples would give the devil a foothold in our lives or in our congregation."

The SLBC Family Extends a Word of Welcome to

Dionne Brown Shaki L. Buxton Herbert Murray

Who Made A Decision for Christ on Last Sunday! And To

Bianca Kitchings Tranace Littlejohn **Precious Kitchings**

Who Renewed Their Commitment to Christ During the Youth/Young Adult Revival.

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

"The shape of true love isn't a diamond, it's a cross."

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

- Following the worship service voter registration will take place. If you are 18 years of age or older, not registered, recently changed your name or address, PLEASE see a member of the Social/Political Action Committee to (re)register in the foyer.
- Pastor Clayton would like to express THANKS to SLEAT for their guidance on last Sunday's celebration of our 2017 graduates. THANKS is also extended to members of the College Connection for serving as well.
- THANKS to all SLBC disciples who shared in and supported our 2017 Youth/Young Adult Revival.
- The book for our 2017 Summer Sunday Bible Study Class can be purchased in the SLBC Bookstore.
- 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 ustream at http://www.ustream.tv/channel/st-luke-baptist-church-paterson-nj



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 Sunday Bible Study Class and 9:30am 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, July 17 – Sunday, July 23, 2017

Monday, July 17, 2017

	<u>Monday, July 17, 2017</u>	
7:00 AM	"Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	
8:00 AM	Kamp Kreative Kidz	Founders Hall
12:00 NOON	"Determined" Internet Radio Broadcast on www.wmocradio.net	
6:00 PM	New Discipleship Class – Class #1	New Discipleship Room
6:30 PM	Exercise Class	Founders Hall
6:30 PM	Darshell's Quality Music Inc. will meet	St. Luke Learning Center
	<u>Tuesday, July 18, 2017</u>	
8:00 AM	Kamp Kreative Kidz	Founders Hall
11:00 AM-2:00 I	PM Christhouse is Open	
5:00 PM-7:00 PI	VI St. Luke CDC Computer Lab is Open	305 Broadway
6:00 PM	The College Connection will meet. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Chapel
7:00 PM	The Men's Choir will rehearse. Men interested in joining this choir are invited to attend.	Overflow
7:00 PM	A meeting will be held for any SLBC disciple who would like to participate in Prayer Walks or in our "Water Witness" during the month of August.	Chapel
	Wednesday, July 19, 2017	
6:30 AM	Early Morning Prayer will be held. Join us as we begin the day in PRAYER!	Chapel
8:00 AM	Kamp Kreative Kidz	Founders Hall
11:30 AM	Midday Prayer Service	Overflow
12:00 NOON	Noonday Bible Study. Please read John chapters 7-8 as we study Jesus the Light of the World.	Overflow
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 2:1-9 as we study Beware of Counterfeits.	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Young Adult Bible Study will be held. Please read Chapter 8 of the book Biblical Stewardship	Chapel
	by Alfred Martin. ALL young adults are invited to share in this time of study and fellowship.	
	Thursday, July 20, 2017	
8:00 AM	Kamp Kreative Kidz	Founders Hall
	PM Christhouse is Open	_
7:00 PM	The Men's Choir will rehearse. Men interested in joining this choir are invited to attend.	Overflow
9:00 PM	"Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	
	Friday, July 21, 2017	
8:00 AM	Kamp Kreative Kidz	Founders Hall
11.00 ANA 2.00	Saturday, July 22, 2017	
4:00 PM	PM Christhouse is Open "Determined" television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	
	Sunday. July 23. 2017	

Sunday, July 23, 2017

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

The Month Ahead

Prayer Leaders:

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

July 26th – Floral Ministry and Patricia Tyler Guild

2017 Summer Communion Days



- Sunday, August 6th
- Sunday, September 3rd

Support Our 2017 Summer Camp

Since 2003 we have been a sponsor/host for "Kamp Kreative Kidz." Approximately 100 children from our city will comprise our camp community. The staff of 16 paid persons is paid through the City of Paterson Department of Recreation. Each year we are asked to make a special donation to support the camp and to provide other amenities. Sunday, July 16, 2017 is the day that we are being asked to give a special donation to support the camp. Checks can be made payable to *St. Luke CDC*. Cash donations can be given in the SLBC Bookstore. Please **DO NOT** give your contribution for the camp in an offering envelope to the church. St. Luke CDC is a separate entity. **ALL** contributions are appreciated, will be acknowledged, and are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.



Register To Vote

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

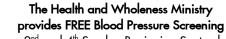




Become a Member of the NAACP

by completing a form and submitting payment in the Bookstore

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



When: Every 2nd and 4th Sunday Beginning September 24, 2017 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. "Say to Him: long life to you! Good health to you and your household! And good health to all that is yours."

Please Remember In Your Prayers



Bereaved:

Brother Ron Faison on the death of his cousin Sister Pamela Haywood on the death of her stepmother

Those Hospitalized or In: Nursing Homes or Adult Facilities:

Brother Darrell Bell Sister Mae Jones Sister Nellie Reed

Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center Advanced Care Center at Wayne Atrium at Wayne Care Center

Paterson, NJ Wayne, NJ Wayne, NJ

Sister Connie Clayton Deacon Jack Moore
Chestnut Convalescent Center NJ Veterans Memorial

Passaic, NJ Paramus, NJ

Those Recovering at Home:

Sister Edith Douglas

Sister Gloria Battle Sister Wendy Drakeford Sister Stephanie Samuels Sister Jean Battle Sister Mae Frye Sister Mary Thomas-Carter Sister Mabel Biggs Sister Dolores Hand Sister Patricia Thompson Sister Edna Black Sister Beulah Jackson Sister Cynthia Thorne Sister Earline Bolden Sister Rachel Jackson Sister Miriam Threet Sister Damita McClam Sister Peggy Brown Brother Irving Watkins, Sr. Shamari Crawford Brother John McKenzie Sister Ola Mae Whitaker Sister Marian Williams Sister Mary DeGroat Sister Georgiana Rogers

Those In Need of Healing and Strength:

Sister Thwana Bowman Sister Bernice Corbin Horne Sister Hattie Haynesworth Brother Carnie P. Bragg, Jr. Sister Jennifer Foxworth Sister Leticia McGuire Sister Bertha Buffaloe. Sister Lanitra Green Sister Patricia Myles Sister Tonya Clayton Brother Malinque Haskins Sister Ethel Thomas

Our Loved Ones Who Are Incarcerated:

Kenneth Brogsdale Chamar Myles Frederick Simpson
Edward Fairley Kevin Malik Myles Rashad State
Justin Keith Wilmyra Nero Denzel Thompson
Vincent McDuffie

Our Deacons of the Week:

Vivian Clayton Cleophus Pelt

^{*}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:

Barbara Barnwell Rev. Dr. Gadson L. Graham Courtney Black Leola Hargrove Mazie Blackmon **Daniel Harvey** Ronea Bundick Minnie Hines Alaysia Chambers Nikki Johnson Cynthia Clyburn Kellie Ledet Carolyn Coleman Cheryl Owens Naomi Coleman **Courtney Owens** Barbara Dolberry Mike Peterson Barbara Edwards Jackie Pettiford Clarine Elebe Linda Pittman Roy Ellington Rev. Robert Pittman Tom Farrar Teverra Pittman Harrie Graham

Chanise Pryor
Mary Etta Reels
Bernice Rice
Mack Simpkins, Jr.
Mary Simpkins
Johnnie Sims, Jr.
Glenda Smith
Ruth Smith
Mark Thompson
Donna Williams
Priscilla Williams
James Wilson
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)
Mystic Smith (niece of Tanya Williams)
Kareem Stephen
Jabir Williams
Nyree Wilson
Sterling Wynn (son of Germaine Romero)

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St. Luke Baptist Church Celebrates Our "90/20 Anniversary"



Celebrating Our Legacy and Our Leadership

90 Years As A Congregation

20 Years Under the Pastoral Leadership of the Rev. Kenneth D.R. Clayton

Friday, September 15, 2017 – 7:00pm An Evening of Elegance "90/20 Banquet"

Crowne Plaza Saddle Brook (50 Kenny Pl, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663)

Tickets and Ad Journal Forms are now available in the Bookstore.

Dinner Ticket Cost – \$75.00

St. Luke Baptist Church

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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 for Youth Ministry 🔳 Facebook for Young Adult Ministry 📲 Facebook for CDC 🕒 Twitter 🐚 Instagram Facebook facebook.com/slbcpat facebook.com/SLBCYouth facebook.com/SLBCYAM facebook.com/slcdc @SLBCPAT @slbcpat

The SLBC Mobile App Is Now Available For Google and Apple Mobile Devices. Devices include: Androids, IPads, IPods and IPhones

SLBC Newsletter slbcchronicle@aol.com

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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 hope you are all rejoicing today. Despite what we may be going through, Jesus is still the joy and strength of our lives.

I am so thankful to all of you who supported our Youth and Young Adult Revival Weekend in any way. We started on Saturday when a few of us ventured to Six Flags Great Adventure to support the Faith,

Family, and Praise event being hosted by our Minister of Music, Ron Faison. We were doubly blessed to witness the performance of our Director of Music, Jared McClain. The Lord blessed us with beautiful weather and we had way too much fun! The weekend continued with an incredible worship experience on Sunday as we celebrated our 2017 graduates. The blessings continued Monday and Tuesday night of our revival. The worship and preachers were excellent! I pray that our youth and young adults were blessed and encouraged to keep living for Christ.

Children, Youth, and Young Adult Ministry Announcements/Reminders

YAM First Friday Fellowship - Karaoke in NYC

Our next First Friday Fellowship will be on August 4th at 7:00pm. We'll be heading to Karaoke in NYC. More details will be available next week. For now, save the date and plan to join us for what promises to be an epic night of fun and fellowship.

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!

We have begun a new series on **Biblical Stewardship**. All young adults are asked to purchase the book *Biblical Stewardship* by Alfred Martin. You can make your purchase in the bookstore today. If you prefer the e-book, you can purchase it online. **Our next Bible Study will be on Wednesday, July 19th. Please read Chapter 8.**

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).

F.R.E.E. Fridays will meet on the following dates during the summer:

July 28th, August 11th, August 25th, September 22nd, September 29th.

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 now 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. **J.A.M. City is currently on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.**

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)

* St. Luke CDC Computer Lab

* House of Mercy

(Women's Transitional House)

* Summer Camp (Kamp Kreative Kidz)

* St. Luke CDF Freedom School®

www.childrensdefense.org

* 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 week of Monday, July 3rd – Saturday, July 8th Christhouse served 51 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:

> Pasta Spaghetti Sauce

Vienna Sausage Ramen Noodles

Tuna Fish Rice

as well as clothing in all sizes items for: Men Girls

Women Boys **Toddlers** Infants



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.

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.

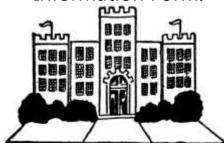
Let the words of Jesus become real and evident in your life according to Matthew 6:33, "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

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

Attention SLBC Disciples...

Calling ALL College Students

Please complete the 2017 College Student Information Form.



The form is available in the waiting area and once completed should be placed in the Red Box.

Thank you.

August Is Outreach and School Supply Month



The month of August is School Supply Month at SLBC. We will be collecting school supplies to provide bookbags and other needed items for children in need in our community and for our partnership with School #6. In the month of August we will also share in "Water Witness", Community Prayer, and a Celebration of Recovery Sunday.

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

Tranetta Harris, MS, LPC Licensed Professional Counselor tharris@stlukebaptist.org

305 Broadway (Martin Luther King Way) Paterson, NJ 07501 Office: (973) 977-8201 Cell: (973) 462-2255 Fax: (973) 977-8202

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 therms.com/harris@stlukebaptist.org.

Join Us For Sunday Bible Study!! Classes will resume on Sunday, September 24, 2017

Class	Instructor(s)	Location
Beginners	Deacon Vivian Clayton/ Sister Kendalyn Sumter	128 Carroll Street
Primary (Ages 6-8)	Sister Pamela Jones	128 Carroll Street 2 nd Floor
Junior (Ages 9-11)	Sister Tiesha Williams	128 Carroll Street 2 nd Floor
Youth (12-14) Male	Brother Robert Whitehead	128 Carroll Street 2 nd Floor
Youth (12-14) Female	Sister Gail Brown	128 Carroll Street 2 nd Floor
Youth (15-19)	Rev. Aisha Taylor	269 Fair Street/Youth Center 2 nd Floor
Young Adult Women (19-35)	Sister Tiffany Smith	Bryant/Eaton Prayer Room
Women	Deacon Vivian Gaines	Sanctuary
New Discipleship Class	Deacon Cleophus Pelt Deacon Gregory Anderson Deacon Linton Gaines	New Discipleship Office
Children's New Discipleship Class	Brother Stacy Arrick, Sr. Sister 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. Roman 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; 1 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

Our 2017 Challenge Becoming A <u>G R E A T</u> Church

Growing In Discipleship – "Our Maturity" (Through Study, Prayer, and Stewardship)

Reaching Souls for Christ – "Our Witness"

Excelling In Ministry – "Our Service"

Authentic in Worship – "Our Praise"

True Team in Spirit – "Our Unity"

As we strive to become a GREAT Church, each of us should be challenged to **GROW** together!

Go to God in prayer; **R**ead our Bibles; **O**bey the Word; **W**itness to nonbelievers

Let's Become Great in Order to Grow



Stewardship Reflection



THE CHURCH IN BOLD MISSION

The goal for those seriously involved in church leadership is always enabling the church to be the church. In the area of missions-stewardship, there is much work to be done. All the mental and material energies at our disposal are required. Unquestionably, the rewards of developing workable concepts will be worth everything invested.

Tithes and offerings! This is God's way revealed in the scriptures and no plan is better than God's for doing his work. Still, it is the fairest. **A tithing stewardship plan always means equal sacrifice – not equal giving.** Tithing is the financial stewardship plan for the church – all the time. If proportionate giving can be instituted on a churchwide basis, the need for all gimmickry disappears. In these critical times, what servant of God has time or energy to major in thinking up tricks to get money out of people's pockets? "Fields are white and the harvest is waiting." **If our time is spent developing one money raising scheme after another, who will bear the sheaves away?**

The church in this world can ill afford to be begging all the time. If God is all we say He is, the church should be rich in resources. The prophet Malachi issued a promise from the Lord of abundance through tithes and offerings (Malachi 3:10).

The task of any church extends beyond erecting buildings and paying current operating expenses. **The Great Commission of our Lord never mentions anything about buildings and grounds. The task of the church is missions.** The purpose for which Malachi called for tithes and offerings was the provision of meat in the storehouse of the Lord. For all practical purposes, the church of Jesus Christ is still the storehouse. And meat is not maintenance. Meat is not furniture. Meat is something to eat. Meat supplies a vital and essential human need. Meat satisfies hunger and helps keep the body alive.

It is at this point that missionary zeal becomes all-important. Missions is the very "meat" that keeps the church alive and fruitful. Missions makes the church what it ought to be. Through missions, the disciples of Christ carry out His Great Commission. No wonder, then, that missions should be tied in with any building project, operations budget and stewardship program.

A tithing church is, first, a **church that calls on every leader and member to begin personal giving with the tithe** – 10 percent of individual income. This includes wages, gifts, bonuses, etc. Whatever money comes into my personal possession is shared with the Lord through the church. That amount which exceeds 10 percent is my offering. By regularly giving the tithes and offerings, the individual and the institution is blessed according to God's word. Surely, every Christian wants to be blessed along with the church of their choice.

Secondly, **the tithing church must also tithe.** This means that the church that receives 10 percent of the members' income has a tithing responsibility. Entrusted with the hard-earned monetary treasures of its people the church has a sacred responsibility to so all that it is supposed to do in the work of advancing the kingdom of the Savior. The very least the church of Christ can do is magnify his name beyond the four walls of its sanctuary. At least the church can give a tithe, 10 percent to missionary work in some form.

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





Attention SLBC Disciples...

Operation PRAY!

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

II Chronicles 7:14

The Challenge - To overcome and defeat prayerlessness individually and as a congregation.

The Goal - To increase the attendance and participation in **ALL** church sponsored Prayer Gatherings and subsequently empower our church to do "greater works" for the Lord

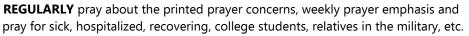
(MUCH PRAYER=MUCH POWER, LITTLE PRAYER=LITTLE POWER, NO PRAYER=NO POWER)

What We Must Do - REGULARLY participate in one of our scheduled Prayer Times

Sunday - 8:00am

Wednesday - 6:30am in the Chapel

- 11:30am in the Overflow
- 6:45pm in the Sanctuary



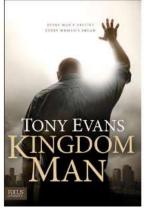
NEED A PLACE TO PRAY?

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

Class will resume Sunday, September 24, 2017.



Read Chapter 12
"A Kingdom Man and His Personal Life"

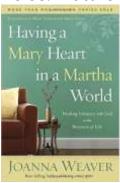
Attention Ladies of the Luke...

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

Saturdays, August 5th and 12th 9:00am

Read Chapter 2

Theme Verse: Matthew 11:28



Book is available for purchase in Bookstore. Cost - \$10.00

SLBC on a Mission

"Mission is the purpose of the church to provide evidence of the heart of God, spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ in real and practical ways."



June 2017

- Missionaries and Patricia Tyler Guild prepared sandwiches for homeless in partnership with Paterson Cares
- Missionaries and Patricia Tyler Guild monthly outreach service at Barnert Subacute Rehabilitation Center
- Women's Ministry Outreach Team taught discipleship classes at Straight and Narrow (Secaucus)
- Hosted Pizza and Ice Cream Party for 3rd Marking Period Honor Roll students at E.W. Kilpatrick School (Adopt A School Initiative)
- Provided financial support for 4 sports teams of SLBC youth
- Provided support for 4th Ward CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) Barbour Park Clean Up Event

**This is in addition to our weekly work at Christhouse through the St. Luke CDC, and our monthly support of the Foreign Mission Board and the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. and our annual financial support of the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Board.

"It is our outreach that validates our upreach."

Message Notes

"I will delight in your principles and not forget your word."	Psalm 119:16
Date:	
Scripture Text:	
Preacher/Messenger:	
Subject:	
Sermon Notes:	
How Should This Sermon Influence My Christian Growth and Service?:	
Special Points to Consider:	
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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 seri we hear. The following pattern has been designed to encourage each of us to hear the WORD and	
First, READ the sermon text slowly, meditatively and expectantly three times. Allow God's	
listen for God's message to His people both then and for you now. Ask yourse live out today?"(5 minutes)	elf, "What truth is God calling me to learn and
Second, REFLECT in the scripture. Record your observations. Note those things which st wonder. Pay attention to the names of people, places, special events, suse of verbs and verb tenses. (10 minutes)	
Next, RETREAT in prayer. Take two or three minutes to share your prayer concerns with 0 time to silently and expectantly listening for God's words to you. Record	
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thing I will do in light of what I have discovered today?" Record this and commit to carrying it out today.