

# ST. LUKE'S PRESS

SAINT LUKE'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## MORE THAN AN HOUR


As I was driving back from my Thanksgiving holiday in Mississippi, I passed several small churches with signs in the front. You know the signs .... "Call 911, This Church is On Fire", "What's missing From CH\_\_CH..... U R", etc.

One sign really upset me. "There Are 168 Hours in a Week, Can You Spare God Just One?" As a person of reformed faith, I cannot begin to say how inappropriate this sign is. Every hour of every day we belong to and are God's. It is not a switch that turns on and off as we walk in and out of church. Our very being belongs to God. Our moments in church are times of gratitude and thanksgiving for all the blessings God has bestowed on our lives. In our moments outside of church, we are still called by and in the presence of the Most Holy. Yes, that sign really burned me up.

As bad as that sign is theologically, it does have a point. We often are too busy for the one who created us. Business meetings and social events often replace time with the one who redeems us. Especially this time of year, parties and shopping replace the one who calls us to service. Yes, we belong to God all the time, but oftentimes we forget who we belong to.

This December why don't we try to take a moment each and every day and remember whose we are and whose salvation we celebrate this holiday season. Why don't we try to take a couple hours a week and show how much God loves us by sharing his love with others in service. We will have several opportunities at St. Luke's and in the community to be the hands of Christ in a world that needs to be lifted up. (You can read more about these in this newsletter.)

We belong to God, 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week 365 days a year from the time of our birth until we are called home and even then we are His. Why don't we take a couple of hours this holiday season to remind ourselves and others who we belong to and share the peace, hope, joy, and love of Christ as promised in this holiday season.

 Love,



## LIVE NATIVITY

December 14

6-8 p.m.

Take a break from the busyness of the season, postpone that shopping trip and decorating the house, and come to the manger. Members and friends of St. Luke's will set the scene and our live nativity animals will return for the sixth year. Bring your camera to capture the moment as Christmas comes alive before your very eyes.

The scene will be in place at 6:00 p.m. Re-enactment of the Christmas story, accompanied by choir and narration, will occur at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The Nativity will be set up on Timberside Drive, under the sanctuary's large stained glass window. Refreshments will be served as we share Christmas joy with our friends and neighbors!

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Poinsettias decorate our chancel during Advent, a beautiful celebration of the Christmas season.

You may purchase a poinsettia by filling out the form available in the Sunday bulletin, or by calling the church office. Each plant is \$10. Be sure and let us know how you want to acknowledge your gift, if in memory or in honor of a family member or friend. You may take your plant home after the Christmas Day service; however, please leave the decorative basket for use next year.



## THIRD SUNDAY

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

DECEMBER 18 & JANUARY 15

*"For I was hungry and 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."*

Matthew 25:35

Our Third Sunday Mission Outreach is held as an opportunity for our church family to not only recommit ourselves to biblical principles of service but also allows us to break down the walls that separate us from our neighbors, particularly those in the greatest need. We are commissioned during The Gathering at 9:00 a.m. and leave around 10:30 a.m. to go to the Star of Hope to help with lunch service. Use the sign up sheet in the Cookie Room to let us know you want to volunteer.



Our committees and the session are in the process of making budgetary decisions for 2012. If you have not responded to our stewardship call, please mail your pledge card in as soon as possible. You can also place your pledge in the offering basket on Sunday morning. Additional pledge cards are available in the Narthex or they can be mailed to you. Contact the church office if you have any questions.

### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed December 23 and 26 for the Christmas holiday and January 2 for the New Year holiday.

# ST. LUKE'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8915 TIMBERSIDE DRIVE 77025

## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. W. Scott Harbison  
Parish Associate .....Rev. Dr. Bill Wade  
Director of Music/Organist-Choirmaster .....Marvin Gaspard  
Handbell Director..... Jayne Manry  
Music Worship Leader/*The Gathering* ....Ryan Klasen  
Business Manager .....Sam Davidson  
Administrative Assistant.....Mary Ann White  
Nursery Caregiver.....Andrea Nitsch  
Pastor's Aide..... Jean Kopp

## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m..... The Gathering  
9:30 a.m. .... Church School  
10:55 a.m..... Worship Service

Holy communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month at the 10:55 a.m. service.

The Gathering, at 9:00 a.m., includes holy communion every Sunday except the first Sunday of the month.

Church school meets at 9:30 a.m., available for all ages, with graded classes available for age 3 through adult. A nursery is provided for children under age 2.

We have "A Time for Young Disciples" during morning worship. After this special time, pre-school children leave the sanctuary and are cared for in the nursery.

Adult choir practice is held on Wednesday's at 7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsals are usually held on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 12:15 p.m.

Tuesday Bible Studies . . .

- First Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.,  
*Meets in the Cookie Room at the church.*
- Third Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.  
*Meets at Bayou Manor in the Solarium*
- Third Tuesday Bible Study, at 6:30 p.m. led by  
Beth Stanaland, in the Cookie Room.

The Church Office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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or pick up a copy in the Narthex literature rack.

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE - DECEMBER 2011

December Head Usher — Bob Patterson

### Liturgists:

December 4 — Alan Lucas  
December 11 — Vacant  
December 18 — Bob Patterson  
December 25 — Vacant

### Time for Young Disciples:

December 4 — Rev. Scott Harbison  
December 11 — Bob Patterson  
December 18 — Vacant  
December 25 — Vacant

### Sunday Flower Sign-up:

December 4 — Patti Ernst  
December 11 — Poinsettias  
December 18 — Poinsettias  
December 25 — Poinsettias

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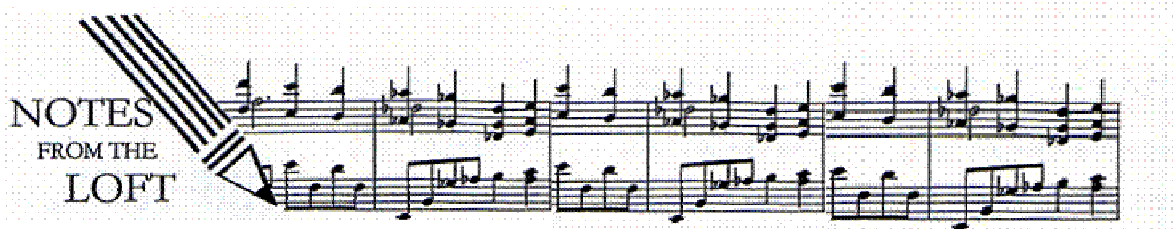
## BETTER BUNCH TRIP TO MFAH

### SEE THE KING TUT EXHIBIT

JANUARY 19

The Better Bunch at Christ Church Presbyterian in Bellaire (106 S. 3rd St.) invites St. Luke's members to join them on their trips. Each month the Better Bunch members (ages 50+) take a day trip on a Precinct 3 Harris County bus. There is no charge for the bus, just entrance fees and the cost of your lunch.

Thursday, January 19, the Better Bunch will go to the Museum of Fine Arts Houston to see the King Tut exhibit. The bus will leave the church at 8:45 a.m. The timed exhibit entry for the group is at 9:30 a.m. The exhibit is \$20 per person. Lunch will be on your own at Café Express at the museum. Confirmation and payment is required to Barbara Buckley by January 5. Call Barbara at 281.498.0483 or email her at [wtbuckley@juno.com](mailto:wtbuckley@juno.com).



## The Music of Advent and Christmas

It is our tradition at St. Luke's to offer special music during the season of Advent and Christmas. We hope that you plan to worship with us during this joyous season and make these musical offerings a part of your Christmas experience!

The musicians of St. Luke's will present *Tapestry of Light...a Celtic Christmas*, by Joseph M. Martin, on Sunday, December 18 at 10:55 AM. Mr. Martin's brilliant text is set to traditional Celtic melodies, re-telling the story of Christ's birth in a fresh and exciting way. Please join our Chancel Choir and chamber orchestra for this special seasonal presentation. Additional information about this and other special Sundays is available on our website [www.stlukespres.org](http://www.stlukespres.org).

On Christmas Eve, our musicians will present special Christmas music at 6:30 p.m. The program will include organ solos and music by St. Luke's Ringers, Ensemble, and soloists. At 7:00, our beautiful Worship Service of lessons and carols brings us to the Nativity through readings and music. Chancel Choir and St. Luke's Ringers will participate in this glorious and meaningful service.

Christmas Day we will have one service at 10:00 AM., which will include the "Blessing of the Toys" and the singing of favorite carols. The choir will join the congregation downstairs for this special gathering of St. Luke's family.

Once again, on Sunday, January 1, 2012, we will have one service at 10:00 AM. This is our traditional "Carol-Sing," so come and plan to sing all of your favorite Christmas carols one more time. We will sit together downstairs as we become one big choir!

## Harp Concert

The Greater Houston Chapter of The American Harp Society will present harpist, Terese Weber in concert on Saturday, January 28, at 7:00 PM in our sanctuary. Winner of a national competition for advanced classical harpists while still only a teenager, Terese earned her B.A. from University of Oregon. She completed her Master of Music degree at University of Arizona with renowned virtuoso and pedagogue Dr. Carrol McLaughlin. Ms. Weber has been active in the Houston area as a teacher and performer since 1990. St. Luke's members are invited to attend this program free of charge. A reception will follow the concert.

FROM ALL OF US IN ST. LUKE'S MUSIC MINISTRY  
HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND A BLESSED NEW YEAR!

# THE LORD'S DAY

## Minute for Mission—Advent

(Reprinted from the 2011 Mission Yearbook, selected by Shirley Davidson)

With six children, four dogs, two birds, and a tank of fish, we have mastered the art of keeping an eye on what is happening around the house. Nearly simultaneously, either of us can monitor our thirteen-year-old son playing with the dogs, eavesdrop on the fight between our eight-year-old twin sons, ask our thirteen-year-old daughter to help clean the fish tank, and encourage our nine- and eleven-year-old daughters to leave the birds alone.

We've learned that there are times when we could learn a thing or two from our kids about the difference between keeping an eye on things and truly being watchful. I could see our daughters near the bird cage, but not what was actually occurring. Being watchful would have told me that the girls were trying to help the bird whose foot was caught in the cage door. Encouraging them to leave the birds alone was not helpful, especially not to the bird!

In Mark, Christ admonishes the disciples to be watchful for the coming of the Son of Man. He didn't tell them to keep an eye on things - he told them to "stay awake." And in this Advent season, being watchful is looking for God at work - in our church, in our homes, and in our lives.

As adults, it's easy to get caught up in the responsibilities of the Advent season, so that we forget to take the time to really watch for God's presence in our world and our own lives. As we continue through this season and try to heed Christ's call to stay awake, perhaps we should pay more attention to the children around us and see what they notice that we do not.

— Kerry Rice, assistant stated clerk, Office of the General Assembly,  
and elder at Beechmont Presbyterian Church, Louisville,  
and the Rev. Cindy Cushman, program manager, Therapeutic Foster Care  
at Bellewood Presbyterian Homes for Children, Anchorage, Kentucky

### Prayer

God, we give thanks for the watchfulness of children. Help us to stay awake during this Advent season as we await the arrival of the Christ child. Amen.

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### In Our Prayers . . . .

#### ST. LUKE'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS ~

- ◆ Rosalie W., health concerns
- ◆ Loretta E., health concerns
- ◆ Jean O., health concerns
- ◆ Mel A., health concerns (Marvin Gaspard's cousin)
- ◆ Anne N., health concerns
- ◆ Patricia R., health concerns (Jayne Manry's sister)
- ◆ Hilda H., health concerns
- ◆ Alva Garrison, health concerns
- ◆ Elizabeth M., health concerns
- ◆ Mary Ann H., health concerns

### MILITARY —

#### ANYSOLDIER.COM CORRESPONDENTS

- ◆ Cpl. Brickson
- ◆ Staff Sgt. Price
- ◆ Adrian T. J.
- ◆ 1st Sgt. Castro
- ◆ Sgt. Voyles
- ◆ Staff Sgt. Beem,
- ◆ Captain Denaro
- ◆ Corporal. Prescott
- ◆ Staff Sgt. Billingsley
- ◆ Michael B.
- ◆ Lt. Cpl. Abshire
- ◆ Philip E.

# THE LORD'S DAY

## Minute for Mission—Baptism of the Lord

(Reprinted from the 2012 Mission Yearbook, selected by Shirley Davidson)

For over eight years, the Lord has called me to walk alongside our South Sudanese siblings as a member of the Christian Solidarity International (CSI), a human rights organization delivering humanitarian aid in South Sudan since 1995. CSI also assists in retrieving family members taken into slavery.

For many of our South Sudanese siblings, during the civil war their baptismal certificate became their death certificate. How horrific an image this is next to Mark's Gospel passage 1:9-11, the Baptism of our Lord. How I have hoped that those who died in Sudan because they are Christ's also heard in their dying, "You are my son/daughter, the beloved; with whom I am well pleased."

The war is over, the referendum on final status created a free nation. Yet the suffering continues: hunger, sickness, and lack of infrastructure, water, health care, and education. Christians also endure taunts from some Muslims in their community who point out deficiencies. "Why do you not have a church building?" "Why is your pastor poor?" "Can your God not provide?"

In spite of hardships, Christians praise, worship and serve Jesus faithfully. When I arrived in Pibor with elders from Trinity Presbytery in South Carolina, the anticipated 18 pastors and church leaders who came to study God's Word had grown to 60 despite 124 degree temperatures. The week's training concluded with a foot washing ceremony and the reaffirmation of baptismal vows. How God blessed us! We were soaked, not with water but with the Holy Spirit.

Rev. Heidi McGinness, honorably retired from Presbytery of Denver,  
director of outreach; Christian Solidarity International-USA

### PRAYER:

Come, Holy Triune God, soak us anew with love for you and our neighbor close by and far away. Thank you for all those baptized in your name, Lord Jesus who serve you with love and grace in the churches of the world, keeping the faith even unto death. Through your spirit, we reaffirm our baptismal vows giving you all glory, honor, praise forever in Christ. Amen.

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### HOLLY HALL BOOK REVIEW 2012

JANUARY 24, 2012 10:30 A.M.

#### First Fathers: The Men Who Inspired our Presidents

by Harold I. Gullan

Reviewer: Colleen Boudreaux

This is a book about inspiration, motivation, and the relationship between fathers and sons. The author shows us the diversity of these men who influenced those who ascended to our nation's highest office. In First Fathers Dr. Gullan has gone a long way toward humanizing our chief executives

Reviews are held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3471 Westheimer. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Proceeds are used to cover "cost of care" for those residents who may no longer afford to do so. To find out more call 281.936.2802.

### CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

In this season when we celebrate the child born in Bethlehem, we also realize that the birth of Jesus ushered in a new realm of God's love at work in the world. This love causes us to recognize the image of God imbedded in all humankind. It compels us to reach out with charity, justice, and grace.

Presbyterians can respond to that love at Christmas by giving generously to the Christmas Joy Offering. The Offering helps students at racial ethnic schools and colleges develop their gifts and find their calling to serve God through serving their community. The Offering also goes to help families of both active and retired church workers to meet unexpected needs.

You will find inserts in your bulletin leading up to Christmas Eve, when the Joy Offering will be taken. Thank you for your gifts to this special offering.



# DECEMBER 2011



Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat

**Head Usher: Bob Patterson**

Save the Dates:

December 14, 6-8 p.m., *Live Nativity*  
 December 18, 10:55 a.m. *Tapestry of Light—A Celtic Christmas*  
 December 24, 7 p.m. *Christmas Eve Candlelight Service*  
 December 25, 10 a.m. *Christmas Day Worship & Blessing of the Toys*

4	The Gathering 9:00 am Church School 9:30 am Worship 10:55 am Fellowship 12:15 pm C. E. Committee 12:15 pm	5	6 Bible Study at St. Luke's 10:30 am., Cookie Room Worship/Music Committee Meeting 7 pm Finance Comm. Mtg. 7 pm Jingle Bell Express 6-8 pm	7	Pastor's Class 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm Jingle Bell Express 6-8 pm	8	Congregational Care 11:30 am	9	Jingle Bell Express Distribution 7:30 am-noon Don't forget to ..... <i>Pray Where You Are at 3 pm</i>	10	Jingle Bell Express Distribution/7:30 am-noon Coat Drive for Star of Hope 10 am-Noon at St. Luke's
11	The Gathering 9:00 am Church School 9:30 am Worship 10:55 am Fellowship 12:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal 12:15 pm	12	Session Mtg. 7:00 pm Knollwood HOA 7:00 pm Westridge HOA 7:30 pm	14	Live Nativity 6-8 pm	15	Chancel Choir 7 pm	16	Don't forget to ..... <i>Pray Where You Are at 3 pm</i>	17	
18	The Gathering 9:00 am Church School 9:30 am Volunteers to Star of Hope 10:55 am Worship 12:15 pm <i>Tapestry of Light/Celtic Christmas Fellowship</i>	19	Bible Study at Bayou Manor 10:30 am Evening Bible Study Cookie Room 6:30 pm	21	Pastor's Class 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm	22		23	Church office closed Don't forget to ..... <i>Pray Where You Are at 3 pm</i>	24	Christmas Eve St. Luke's musicians in concert 6:30 pm Candlelight Service 7 pm
25	Christmas Day Worship 10:00 am Blessing of the Toys	26	Church office closed	28	Pastor's Class will not meet No Choir Rehearsal	29		30	Don't forget to ..... <i>Pray Where You Are at 3 pm</i>	31	New Year's Eve
<b>Merry Christmas!</b>											

# BIRTHDAYS

# LECTIONARY

## December

December 4

Isaiah 40:1-11  
Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13  
2Peter 3:8-15a  
Mark 1:1-8

December 11

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11  
Psalm 126 or Luke 1:47-55  
1Thessalonians 5:16-24  
John 1:6-8, 19-28

December 18

2Samuel 7:1-11, 16  
Luke 1:47-55 or Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26  
Romans 16:25-27  
Luke 1:26-38

December 25

Isaiah 62:6-12  
Psalm 97  
Titus 3:4-7  
Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20  
Isaiah 42:7-10  
Psalm 98  
Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12)  
John 1:1-14

## DECEMBER

## JANUARY

- |                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| 3 Rev. Bill W. | 6 Barbara M.               |
| 7 Trudy T.     | 8 Jim W.                   |
| 9 Maurice D.   | 10 Annie D.                |
| 10 Abigail S.  | 13 Jean K.                 |
| 12 Denne S.    | 14 Elizabeth M.            |
| 19 Alice A.    | 17 Jan B.                  |
| 20 Ora Lee H.  | 18 Sam D.                  |
| 30 Alan L.     | 22 Jackson S.              |
|                | 23 Charles Y.<br>Maisie S. |
|                | 26 Juanita C.              |



### ST. LUKE'S SESSION:

Bob Patterson Clerk of Session  
Rev. W. Scott Harbison Moderator

Elders:

#### Class of 2011

Jean Kopp  
Barbara Mabry  
Trudy Timian  
Rachel Maxwell Wells

#### Class of 2012

Sharon Cooper  
Alan Lucas  
Elizabeth Moreno  
Carol Wilson

#### Class of 2013

Patti Ernst  
Jim Mayer  
Bob Patterson  
Debbie Stewart

### DRIVE THRU COAT DRIVE FOR STAR OF HOPE

JANUARY 10 10A.M.-NOON

Empty your closets of that cold weather clothing you no longer wear or your children have outgrown and bring them to the *Drive Thru Coat Drive* at St. Luke's on Saturday, December 10. All sizes, children through adult, are needed. Donations will go to the Star of Hope Transitional Family-Center. The drive thru will be at the covered entry in the south parking lot. Free hot chocolate for your donation!



# JANUARY 2012



Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat

<p>1 <b>Happy New Year!</b> Worship 10:00 am Annual <i>Carol-Sing</i></p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 Bible Study at St. Luke's 10:30 a.m. Worship/Music 7 pm Finance Comm. 7 pm</p>	<p>4 Pastor's Class 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm</p>	<p>5 Congregational Care Committee 11:30 am</p>	<p>6 Don't forget to . . . . . <i>Pray Where You Are</i> at 3 pm</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 The Gathering 9:00 am Church School 9:30 am Worship 10:55 am Fellowship 12:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal 12:15 pm</p>	<p>9 Property Committee 7 pm</p>	<p>10 Session Mtg. 7:00 pm Westridge HOA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>11 Pastor's Class 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 Don't forget to . . . . . <i>Pray Where You Are</i> at 3 pm</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15 <i>Third Sunday Mission</i> The Gathering 9:00 am Church School 9:30 am <i>Volunteers to Star of Hope</i> Worship 10:55 am Fellowship 12:15 pm</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Bible Study/Bayou Manor 10:30 am Evening Bible Study Cookie Room 6:30 pm</p>	<p>18 Pastor's Class 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Don't forget to . . . . . <i>Pray Where You Are</i> at 3 pm</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22 The Gathering 9:00 am Church School 9:30 am Worship 10:55 am Fellowship 12:15 pm</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 Evangelism 7 pm</p>	<p>25 Pastor's Class 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Don't forget to . . . . . <i>Pray Where You Are</i> at 3 pm</p>	<p>28 Harpist Terese Weber in concert in the sanctuary 7 pm</p>
<p>29 The Gathering 9:00 am Church School 9:30 am Worship 10:55 am Fellowship 12:15 pm Mission Comm. 12:15 pm</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p><i>Save the Date:</i> <i>Jazz in the Parking Lot</i> <i>February 21 6-8 p.m.</i></p>			

# BIRTHDAYS

## JANUARY

- 6 Barbara M.
- 8 Jim W.
- 10 Annie D.
- 13 Jean K.
- 14 Elizabeth M.
- 17 Jan B.
- 18 Sam D.
- 22 Jackson S.
- 23 Charles Y.  
Maisie S.
- 26 Juanita C.



## FEBRUARY

- 1 Kelvin C.  
Olivia H.
- 3 Mark D.
- 5 Ryan K.
- 6 Ling Y.
- 7 Robert R.
- 14 Jim M.
- 16 Debbie H.  
Martha R.
- 17 LeAnn L.
- 23 P J B.
- 26 Libby H.
- 27 Megan Y.
- 28 Scott H.  
Ann N.

# LECTIONARY

## January

### January 1

Isaiah 61:10-62:3  
Psalm 148  
Galatians 4:4-7  
Luke 2:22-40

### January 8

Genesis 1:1-5  
Psalm 29  
Acts 19:1-7  
Mark 1:4-11

### January 15

1Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20)  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18  
1Corinthians 6:12-20  
John 1:43-51

### January 22

Jonah 3:1-5 10  
Psalm 62:5-12  
1Corinthians 7:29-31  
Mark 1:14-20

### January 29

Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
Psalm 111  
1Corinthians 8:1-13  
Mark 1:21-28

THE WEDNESDAY WORD . . . . .

SHARE IT WITH YOUR FRIENDS!

**T**he *Wednesday Word* is emailed to St. Luke's members and friends on Wednesday of each week. Would you like to be added to our emailing list? Call the church office or send your email address to [mawhite@stlukespres.org](mailto:mawhite@stlukespres.org).

Help us increase the people who read our emails by using the social networking buttons at the top of each Wednesday Word, sharing it with your Facebook and Twitter followers. And don't forget, you can forward the WW to your email contacts too.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Mary Singleton, a former member of St. Luke's, recently wrote us to say she has moved to be closer to her daughter in Colorado. If you would like to drop her a note, here is her new address:

Call the church office if you would like Mary's new address

## Advent and Christmas At St. Luke's



- ◆ December 10 10 a.m.—noon Coat Drive for Star of Hope
- ◆ December 14 6-8 p.m. Live Nativity  
Re-enactment of the Christmas story will take place at 6:30 & 7:30 p.m.,  
Accompanied by choir and narration . St. Luke's gift to the community!
- ◆ December 18 10:55 a.m. Tapestry of Light...A Celtic Christmas  
Our Chancel Choir and Chamber Orchestra will present these traditional  
melodies, retelling the story of Christ's birth in a fresh and exciting way.
- ◆ December 24 6:30 p.m. St. Luke's musicians in concert  
7:00 p.m. Candlelight Service
- ◆ December 25 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Worship — Dress is casual!  
(One service on Christmas day) The Blessing of the Toys (Bring a favorite toy)