

**\*-Please refrain from walking where you see the (\*) asterisk symbol.**

***2015's Theme: Pressing Towards The Greater***

MORNING MEDITATION: Deacon Timothy Burson 10:00am  
MUSIC OF PREPARATION: Sounds Of Zion  
INVITATION TO WORSHIP: Ministerial Team  
OPENING HYMN: "Love Divine" #44 Choir & Congregation

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

**ALL: Christ is Risen Indeed. Alleluia..**

HYMN OF PRAISE: "Glory to His Name" #191 Choir & Congregation

**\*CONFESSION**

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sin, and whose mercy we forget: Cleanse us from all offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires; that humbly we may draw near to thee, confessing our faults, confiding in thy grace, and finding in thee our refuge and our strength, through Jesus Christ our Lord. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Savior, who has taught us to pray: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven, Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

\*SCRIPTURE: Acts 3:12-19 Ministerial Team

\*INVOCATION PRAYER: Ministerial Team

CHORAL RESPONSE: "Gloria Patri" Choir & Congregation

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS: Hospitality Committee

PASSING OF THE PEACE: "I Love to Praise Him" Choir & Congregation

\*ALTAR CALL: "Can't Even Walk" Ministerial Team

MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC: Sounds of Zion

SERMON: Pastor Clifford Matthews Jr.

\*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP:

**OFFERTORY LITANY**

Leader: The one who supplies seed to the sower will supply and multiply your resources.

**People: Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!**

Leader: Under the test of this service, you will glorify God by your obedience and by your generosity.

**All: We will be enriched in every way; hence we joyfully bring our tithes and offerings to the storehouse.**

TITHES & OFFERING: Zamar  
Praise Band

OFFERTORY RESPONSE: "All Things Come of Thee" Choir & Congregation

CLOSING HYMN: Choir &  
Congregation

BENEDICTION:

CHORAL RESPONSE: "Threefold Amen" Choir & Congregation

### **CHURCH AND PASTOR ANNIVERSARY**

We are pleased to announce the upcoming 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church and the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pastor Clifford Matthews Jr. on

**Sunday, May 17, 2015 at 10:00a.m.** This year's theme is **Pressing Towards Our Greater: "See What The Lord Has Done."** Your presence and participation is needed as we celebrate the many blessing the Lord has bestowed upon us. There are great activities planned throughout the month of May but especially during the weekend of our anniversary. Please save the date, more information to come.

### **ANNIVERSARY SOUVENIR PROGRAM**

We request your participation In the Souvenir Program to showcase St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church triumphant history and to honor Reverend Clifford Matthews for his dedication and service. There are three opportunities to support the program: 1.) spotlight your business or organization and 2.) 'in memoriam' tribute to a love one, friend, or St. Luke member who has passed. 3.) showcase some kind words to a friend or love one. Each Sunday starting **April 12, 2015 through May 10, 2015**, please visit the Anniversary Table on the side entrance to learn more about securing space in the Souvenir Program. There are limited opportunities to leave an enduring memory for this ceremonious event. Any questions, please see Bro. Jarvis Miller

### **APRIL: CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church is joining in a Nationwide effort to show our support for Children who are at risk of being abused by planting Pinwheel Gardens in front of our church. This is a great way to make a positive impact on the lives of North Carolina's children. Please feel free to stop by the front entrance of the church for more information in planting a Pinwheel Garden  
in your front yard.

### **"BE BRAVE" AIDS WALK 2015**

Sign up for the AIDS Walk 2015 in the front lobby starting **April 12, 2015.**

**Walk Date:** Saturday, May 2, 2015

**Location:** Gateway Village Promenade  
800 W Trade Street  
Uptown Charlotte

**Time:** Program starts at 8:30a.m.

Walk starts at 9:00a.m.  
For more information, please see Terrence Massey

**PINK SUNDAY**

Pink Sunday will be held on April 26, 2015; it is an educational event to promote breast health awareness and the importance of early detection in the fight against breast cancer in churches.

We ask that everyone wear pink to recognize cancer survivors the last Sunday in April.

**WEBSITE**

We are pleased to announce the release of our new website ( HYPERLINK "http://www.stlukembc.org" [www.stlukembc.org](http://www.stlukembc.org)). Our new website has been designed with a fresh new look and has been updated to cater to our member's needs by offering online giving, the ability to watch previous sermons and much much more. Please take a few minutes to view the website as well as share with your family and friends.

**FOOD PANTRY**

Please continue to support the Food Pantry by donating items with an expiration date 2016 or later. The food pantry is scheduled to be open on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.

	<b>March Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b># of Families</b>	52	<b>671</b>
<b># of Family Members</b>	124	<b>2217</b>
<b># of Volunteers</b>	12	<b>148</b>

**FACEBOOK**

Please LIKE our new Facebook page!

**Facebook name:** St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church- ABC USA

**Facebook Website name:** HYPERLINK "http://www.facebook.com/stlukembcabcusa"  
[www.facebook.com/stlukembcabcusa](http://www.facebook.com/stlukembcabcusa)

**REHEARSALS FOR THE WEEK**

Tuesday, April. 21<sup>st</sup>

Voices of St. Luke w/ band (6:45pm)

Thursday, April. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Adult Mass Choir (6:45pm)

“My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style”

Maya Angelou  
1928-2014

American author, poet and civil rights activist

**SERMON NOTES**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



(M,N)	Gwenda Alexander	704-258-6101
(O,P)	Roger Pendergrass	803-547-0837
(Q,R)	Zena McIntyre	704-605-1791
(S,T)	Adrianna Vaughns	704-531-4635
(U,V)	Mary Staton	704-391-9688
(W,X)	Roosevelt Welch	704-394-0627
(Y,Z)	Everett Watson	704-421-6250
(A-Z)	B.T. Davis	704-598-9268

Senior Pastor	Rev. Clifford Matthews Jr.	704-375-9650
Diaconate Ministry	Betty Adams	704-394-2635
Christian Disciple	Rev. Sandra McDuffie	704-375-9650
Voter Awareness	Barbara Ratliff	704-535-5568
Membership	Rev. Sandra McDuffie	704-375-9650
Media	Jarvis Miller	704-375-9650
Missions/RAIN	Wilhelmenia King	704-563-1367
Nursery	Laurie Arnold	704-599-2961
Seasoned Saints	B.T. Davis	704-598-9268
Security	Percy Miller	704-532-9104
Trustees	Edith Ragsdale	704-375-9650
Ushers	Peggy Welch	704-332-9814
Leviticus Praise Mime	Sharon Worthington	704-430-6990
Worship Ministry Admin Asst.	Carrie Parker	704-394-3118
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Youth		704-375-9650
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### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

If you have an announcement that you would like to have included in the bulletin, complete the announcement request form located in the workroom by Monday at 12:00 noon for the following Sundays' bulletin. Please submit that announcement to the church office by fax or email.

Each Sunday our services are recorded on CD and DVD. Please stop by the Media Market and make your order. For more information contact the worship ministry office @ 980-207-3467.

If you have a PDA or electronic device such as an iPad used to take notes on sermon or digital bible, you are welcomed to use the wireless connection. The password is "stlukebaptist". We ask that you silence all electronic devices during worship.

**Sunday:**

Worship Service 10:00am  
Sunday school Class 8:45am-9:30am  
Holy Communion/Baptism **1st Sunday**  
Right Hand of Fellowship **2nd Sunday**  
New Members Class **4th Saturday** of each month 9:00am-12:00pm  
**5th Sunday** Family, Friends and Fire Sunday

**Tuesday:**

Seasoned Saints 10:00am  
Missionary meeting **1st Tuesday** of each month beginning at 12:00pm

**Wednesday:**

Adult Bible Study 7:00pm

**Sunday:**

Ushers meeting **4th Sunday** of each month following worship

**Nursery:**

Open at 9:30am every Sunday

**Alice Gaston & Family** Huntersville Oaks- **704-335-0980**

**Anthony & Nancy Boyce** 6720 Duncroft Ln. 28215

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**Dorothy Morrow** 5500 Green St. 28269- **704-596-1573**

**Gabrielle Jones** 1313 Fontana Ave 28206- **704-332-9814**

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**Lena Vannoy** 5511 Sunfield Dr. 28215

**Lois Sayles & Family** 315 Briarwood Dr. 28215- **704-563-8969**

**Mardine Pendergrass** 411 Popular St. 206-C 28202-**704-347-1468**

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**Roosevelt & Nancy Mungo** 1500 Montana Dr. 28216- **704-392-2930**

**Sarah Pendergrass** 533 Pate Dr. 29715- **704-375-9650**

**Willie & Marzetta Tate** 2016 Cliffrose Way 28216- **980-224-9688**

**Vantria Price** 2010 Holly Street 28216-**704-399-2842**

**Virginia Morrow** 5509 Green St. 28269 -**704-596-2779**

# **CHURCH MOTTO: GOD CAN!**

## **Third Sunday of Easter**

April 19, 2015

10:00am

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