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2015's Theme: Pressing Towards Our Greater

MORNING MEDITATION: Deacon Ericka Grier 10:00am
MUSIC OF PREPARATION: Sounds of Zion
INVITATION TO WORSHIP: Ministerial Team
OPENING HYMN: "How Firm A Foundation" #21 Choir & Congregation

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Praise to God our Creator, source of our being and wellspring of life.
People: Praise to God our liberator, who sets us free and gives us hope.
Leader: Praise to God the Word, love made flesh to dwell among us.
People: Praise to Jesus the Christ, who feeds the hungry and shows us the Way.
Leader: Praise to God the Spirit, fiery light and rushing wind.
People: Praise to the Holy Spirit, who inspires, challenges, comforts, and sustains us.
Leader: Come let us worship the Earth-maker, the Pain-bearer, and the Life-giver.
All: Let us worship God!

HYMN OF PRAISE: "Just a Little Talk with Jesus" #298 Choir & Congregation

***CONFESSION**

For our failure to feel the sufferings of others, and our tendency to live comfortably with injustice, God forgive us. For the self-righteousness which denies guilt, and the self-interest which strangles compassion, God forgive us. For those who live their lives in careless unconcern, who cry 'Peace, peace' when there is no peace, we ask your mercy. For our failings in community, our lack of understanding, we ask your mercy. For the times when we are too eager to be better than others, when we are too rushed to care, when we are too tired to bother, when we don't really listen, when we are too quick to act from motives other than love, God forgive us. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Lord, 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: Psalm 20 Ministerial Team

*INVOCATION PRAYER: Ministerial Team

CHORAL RESPONSE: "Gloria Patri" Choir & Congregation

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PASSING OF THE PEACE: "Koinonia" Choir & Congregation

*ALTAR CALL: "Your Grace and Mercy" Ministerial

Team

MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC:

Sounds of Zion

SERMON:

Reverend 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

PRESSING TOWARDS OUR GREATER: AIR CONDITIONER CAMPAIGN

All members are encourage to participate in the "**Pressing Towards Our greater: Air Conditioner Campaign- Phase One**" movement to raise **\$26,000** between the dates of **May 31, 2015 and August 30, 2015** to replace one of the major air conditioner units in the sanctuary. This unit is responsible for keeping us comfortable year around and has served its purpose for 25 years. All members are asked to pledge **\$200** to make this campaign a reality. You can donate the \$200 as a one time love offering or over the period of 3 months, 13 weeks or 91 days. If you would like a pledge card, please see an usher.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

The Summer Lunch Program begins Monday, June 15, 2015. Volunteers, please be at church by 11:30a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Sis. Wilhelmenia King at 704-563-1367.

HOSPITALITY MEETING

All hospitality members are asked to meet with Pastor Matthews **Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at 6:30p.m.** in the fellowship hall.

2015 GRADUATE SUNDAY

The deadline for the completion of forms and receiving pictures is **Wednesday, June 17th**. The celebration for all graduates and special achievers is **Sunday, June 21st** during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. All graduates are asked to dress in their graduation

regalia for the service and check-in by 9:45am in Fellowship Hall B for the processional. For more information you may contact Rev. Sandra McDuffie at 704-375-9650.

BIBILE STUDY

Join us for our final session of bible study ending on **June 17, 2015**. Bible study will resume **September 16, 2015 at 7:00p.m.** for the fall session.

2015 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join us for the 2015 Vacation Bible School to celebrate the theme Jesus: The True Superhero. All classes will begin **Monday, June 22, 2015 through Wednesday, June 24, 2015**. Fellowship begins each night at 6:30 p.m. for all age groups – preschool to adults. For more information you may contact the church office at 704-375-9650 or Katasha Harris at 704-237-0729.

WEBSITE

We are pleased to announce the release of our new website (HYPERLINK "http://www.stlukembc.org" 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.

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

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 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

	May Total	Total
# of Families		795
# of Family Members	236	2647
# of Volunteers		148

Please join me in supporting the work of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Opportunity Task Force. The mission of this task force is to "*develop actionable recommendations that can broaden access to economic opportunity for all residents of Charlotte-Mecklenburg.*" Please visit HYPERLINK "http://www.opportunitycharmack.org" www.opportunitycharmack.org and click on the "Join" tab to become part of the ongoing conversations that will take place over the next 18 months. Additionally, you are asked to like the Task Force Facebook page, HYPERLINK "https://www.facebook.com/pages/Opportunity-CharMeck" <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Opportunity-CharMeck>

SERMON NOTES

Date: _____

Sermon Title: _____

(O,P)	Roger Pendergrass	803-547-0837
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(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
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Membership	Rev. Sandra McDuffie	704-375-9650
Media	Jarvis Miller	704-375-9650
Missions/RAIN	Wilhelmenia King	704-563-1367
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Seasoned Saints	B.T. Davis	704-598-9268
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Trustees	Edith Ragsdale	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.

REHEARSALS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, June 16th Women's Choir w/band (6:45pm)
Wednesday, June 17th Genesis Dance Ministry (5:45pm-7:00pm)
Saturday, June 20th Genesis Dance Ministry (9:00am-10:00am)

“If there is a book that you want to read, but it hasn't been written yet, you must be the one to write it.”

Toni Morrison
1931-Present
American novelist, editor, and professor

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**

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CHURCH MOTTO: GOD CAN!

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June 14, 2015

10:00am

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