



SAINT LUKE'S
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SERVING TODAY

Chancel Guild: Sarah Caverhill
Continental Breakfast: Gena Spears
Lay Reader: Linda Elliot
Ushers: Paula Humer, captain
Communion Servers: Rosemary Armstrong-Burton, Donna & Terry Nall, Andrea Price, Kristen Wescott

LEADERSHIP

ELDERS

Class of 2019:

Al Bridges, Beth Eisenmesser, Sonny Jester, Bob Pile, Bob Polensek, Terri Potter, Whitney Samuelson, Steven Vivian, Sydney Sloan (*Youth Elder*)

Class of 2020:

Carol Ciepluch, Leslie Hamlin, Kay Loerch (*Clerk of Session*), Florence Luranc, JJ Singley, Kelly Sloan, Steve Thornton, Brad Troha

Class of 2021:

Bob Burroughs, Steve Cashwell (*Asst. Clerk of Session*) Tracy Coffie, Val DeFriece, Matt Fogarty, Nael McCarty, Todd Parker, Kristen Wescott

DEACONS

Class of 2019:

Melissa Blakely, Alyson Cohen, Mark Douglass, A.J.Favero, Carol Hickey, Dorothy Kitchens (*Moderator*), Debbie Parkes, Carol Waller, Al Wang, Rosie Coffie (*Youth Deacon*)

Class of 2020:

Thomas Brown, Karleen Buchholz, Jenny Cumiskey, Ron Davis, Kris Hull (*Vice Moderator*), Daryl Moore, Emily Ritzler, Vivian Smith, Suzanne Thatcher

Class of 2021:

Marylyn Brown, Kelda Hearn, Janis Jones, Alan Keel, Christy Keohane, Betsy King, Molly Naugher, Gena Spears, Steve Wassell



April 7, 2019 10:30 am



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Fifth Sunday in Lent

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Liturgical Color: Purple

Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage the sense of sight in worship. Purple marks the seasons of penitence and preparation, Advent and Lent.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:15am Chapel Communion Service
- 9:15am Sunday School
- 10:30am Sanctuary Worship Service

Nursery available at all services and Sunday School.

MISSION

Responding to God's call and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite all to join us in knowing, serving, and sharing Jesus Christ here and around the world.

VISION

To be a beacon of faith, hope, and love—every member an active disciple in Christ's ministry.

WELCOME, GUESTS!

DURING the Welcome, please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass the Friendship Pad down the pew.

AFTER the worship service, please join us outside the Sanctuary where our Pastors or a church officer will be available to answer questions and provide you with a loaf of freshly-baked bread.

FOR MORE information about our programs, ministries or membership, please contact one of our Pastors at 770.393.1424, or visit our website: slpres.org.

THAT ALL MAY WORSHIP

ASSISTIVE A hearing loop is accessible by switching hearing aids to T-coil. Also, large print hymnals and back cushions are available. Please contact an usher for further assistance.



CHILDREN are a precious part of our church family, and we welcome them in worship. Worship activity sheets and tactile activities are available on the blue Worship Carts in the back of the sanctuary. Each week, children are invited to walk up for an age-appropriate message during "Tell Us Our Story." After that time, they may remain in worship, go to Faithful Friends (K-2nd) or go to child care (PreK and younger).



SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT:

For information on all activities and events at Saint Luke's, please go to slpres.org.

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH & EGG HUNT—

Join us **April 14** for a church-wide brunch at 9 am followed by egg hunts at 9:30 am (3s and under), 9:45 am (PreK & K) and 10 am (1st—5th grade).

PALM SUNDAY PHOTOS— Please visit the Saint Luke's "photo booth" on Palm Sunday! We'll have people on hand to get that perfect individual/couple/family photo for you AND Saint Luke's! We'll be using this opportunity - and photos - to update REALM, our online church directory.

TAVERN TALKS ON APRIL 11 — Men of Saint Luke's are invited to join Rev. David Lower on April 11, from 7-10 pm, at Dunwoody Tavern.

GRADUATION DINNER ON APRIL 14 — All are invited to a church-wide dinner and service to honor Saint Luke's high school graduating seniors on April 14 at 6 pm in the Great Hall. RSVP to melissaking@slpc.org.

FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED— Saint Luke's will host Family Promise guests **April 21 - 29**. To volunteer, go to slpc.org and click the Volunteer tab or contact Beth Underhill at bunderhill.mail@gmail.com.

2019 VBS: SEEKING SAFARI LEADERS— VBS volunteers needed! Go to the Volunteer tab at slpres.org to view all the various (volunteer opportunities! Contact Stephanie McGoldrick, tsmcgoldrick@gmail.com, with questions.

2019 HABITAT HOUSE: Eight days of work. A lifetime of joy! — April 6 is the first Habitat build day and the work continues for seven more Saturdays with a jump over Easter weekend and Memorial Day weekend. We need 15 volunteers for each work day! For more details or to volunteer, go to slpres.org.

IOH MEAL NEEDED— Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH) volunteer needed to provide a meal for 10 adults and 15 children on April 18. Contact AI Bridges, bridgrtr@aol.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BAKE SALE — The PW will have two types of mini loaves available for purchase, Lemonade and Carrot Cake, on Sunday April 14th. These delicious homemade treats are \$4 each and will be on sale in the lobby. Cash or checks accepted.

SAINT LUKE'S COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP — Thanks to a generous gift from an anonymous donor, \$2,500 will be awarded to a Saint Luke's high school senior who is enrolling in an accredited four-year U.S. college. For details and application, go to slpres.org. Application deadline is April 14, 2019.

HOLY WEEK AT SAINT LUKE'S— Please join us during Holy Week:

- April 14 - Palm Sunday Brunch & Egg Hunt
- April 18 - Maundy Thursday Soup Supper & Communion Service, 6 pm
- April 19 - Good Friday Service, 7 pm
- April 21 - Easter
 - 7 am Sunrise, Courtyard
 - 8:30 am, Sanctuary
 - 10:30 am, Sanctuary

Song of Thanksgiving #607* Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow

Holy Communion

When coming forward for Communion, please kneel at the closest available space to the center aisle. If you would like to be served where you are sitting, please raise your hand as the communion servers come down the center aisle and you will be served by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup). Everyone is invited to participate in the sacrament. A server with gluten-free bread will be standing at the center aisle. If you prefer gluten-free bread, please indicate your preference as you approach. Parents, please note the center rings of the communion trays are filled with wine. Only the outer ring is filled with grape juice.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion Music

Closing Hymn #81* Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Benediction*

Benediction Response* Give Us Grace Chancel Choir

Give us grace, O Lord.

Postlude* Postlude *Sweelinck*

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In Preparation for Worship

“I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you...” - Ephesians 1:17-18

Gathering Prayer

Prelude Prelude *Jan Pietersoon Sweelinck*

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship* Bless the Lord, O My Soul

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits.

Opening Hymn #361* O Christ, the Great Foundation

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within us. We are your creation, O Lord. Help us to live as reflections of You. We often forget to say “thank you” for the gifts You have given to us.
People: **Hear now our prayers of gratitude... (silence)**
Leader: We often forget that others in the world are Your creation, too.
People: **Hear now our prayers for Your love to be shown through us to others... (silence)**
Leader: We often forget to stand up for what is right and just for those who are poor, marginalized, and oppressed.
People: **Hear now our prayers for places where justice is lost, and hope is subdued...(silence)**
Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul and all that is within us. May we know Your steadfast love and may Your grace give us courage to live as those You created us to become. Lord, in your mercy,
People: **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise #544*

Bless the Lord, My Soul

Bless the Lord, my soul,
and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul,
who leads me into life.

Passing the Peace of Christ*

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Linda Elliot

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:31-46, pg. 27 of the New Testament

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

After Tell Us Our Story, parents may walk children 3 and younger to their classrooms in Sheppard Hall. Pre-K, K and 1st graders may gather in the narthex, make a nametag, and follow your teacher up to The Harbor for Faithful Friends.

Anthem

Hear Me, Redeemer arr. Henry Mollicone Chancel Choir

Hear me, Redeemer, send down your love to cleanse my soul.
Lord of lords, wash away my sinful ways. Show me the power of your love.
Shine your light through all my days.
Mighty God, take my hand and lead the way. Let me praise you every day.

Sermon

"Grace as Servanthood" David Lower

Affirmation of Faith*

from A Brief Statement of Faith (1983)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, of every gender and race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Moment for Mission

Caroline Hurst

The Offering Invitation

Giving is a tangible sign of worship. If you give electronically, there is a blue, laminated, electronic giving card in the pew rack to place in the offering plate as it is passed.

Offertory

Bless the Lord, O My Soul Chancel Choir Quartet
Jane Marshall

Bless the Lord, my soul; my innermost heart, bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, and forget none of his benefits.
He pardons all my guilt and heals all my suffering.
He rescues me from the pit of death and surrounds me with constant love,
with tender affection.
He has not treated us as our sins deserve or requited us for our misdeeds.
For as the heaven stands high above the earth, so his strong love stands high over all who fear him.
Far as east is from west, so far has he put our offenses away from us.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen! (Psalm 103)