



Welcome!

Following CDC guidelines, wearing masks is optional.

We encourage everyone to wear a mask based on your personal preference, informed by your personal level of risk.

We recommend those who are unvaccinated and have not had COVID in the last 90 days mask to protect yourself and others.

Thank you for being careful and gracious toward one another as we live into these times.

In Preparation for Worship

“The thing about having the one true God in your midst is you have this feeling that the incident with the pigs could be just the tip of this divine iceberg. Who knows what would be next but it’s surely not beyond the realm of possibility that this Jesus person, the Son of the Most High God, could end up shaking up everything.” – Scott Hoezee

Prelude

Meditation on “Brother James’ Air”

M. Searle Wright

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: Trust in the Lord and do good.

People: **May the Lord give strength to the people!**

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good!

People: **God is our refuge and strength.**

Opening Hymn* #35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Prayer of the Day*

Loving Almighty and everlasting God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
you created us to seek you,
so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you.
Grant us goodness of heart and strength of purpose
that no selfishness would hinder us from knowing your will,
and no weakness from doing it.
In your light may we see life clearly and in your service find perfect freedom;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise* #288

Spirit of the Living God

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Luke 8:26-39

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Children are welcome to come forward, with masks optional, for Tell Us Our Story. After Tell Us Our Story, parents may walk children across courtyard to Room 117 (3 and under) and Room 119 (PreK and K). 1st through 3rd graders may gather in the narthex, make a nametag, and then walk with a leader to the Dock. Of course, all children are always welcome to remain in worship with their families.

Sermon

“You Just Never Know”

Shannon Dill

Affirmation of Faith*

from the Belhar Confession (1986)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.
And we believe that that this unity of the people of God must be manifest and active,
in that we love one another;
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,
that we share one baptism together,
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope,
which is the height and the breadth and the depth and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

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.

The Offering

All are invited to participate in support of God's work at Saint Luke's, in one of three ways:

- 1) Giving envelopes, available in each pew, may be placed inside the Friendship Pads or in the offering plate in the narthex,
- 2) Give online via slpres.org/giving,
- 3) Send a text message to 73256, starting with the keyword GIVETOSLPRES followed by the amount.

Closing Hymn* #677

The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended

Benediction*

Postlude*

Fugue in E-flat major, "St. Anne"

Johann Sebastian Bach

Please join us in the church courtyard for fellowship and conversation!

For the latest Saint Luke's news and information, go to slpres.org.

