



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

“Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin.” – Mother Theresa

Prelude

Peaceful Rest
Lani Smith

Jill Hudson

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.

People: **Let your goodness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.**

Leader: Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

People: **And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

Leader: Let us sing our grateful praise!

Opening Hymn* #393

O Day of Rest and Gladness

Prayer of the Day*

Gracious God, your steadfast love guards our hearts.

Help us to surrender our burdens and our worries to you.

Strengthen our assurance with your goodness, your purity, your delight, your excellence, your praise.

Focus our attention and our hope on your goodness, your truth, your honor, your justice.

Let us stand upon your promise that we may persist, no matter the season or situation, for the building of your kingdom and the glory of your name. Amen.

Song of Praise* #609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Philippians 4:4-9

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 should 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

“Loving What Is”

David Lower

Affirmation of Faith*

from A Brief Statement of Faith (1983)

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

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

How Sweet the Grace

Lindsay Sanders, Morgan Potts, duet

Jill Hudson

Beth Eisenmesser, flute

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, cash, or checks may be placed in the offering plates as passed or available in the narthex after worship,
- 2) Give online via slpres.org/giving,
- 3) Send a text message to 73256, starting with the keyword GIVETOSLPRES followed by the amount.

Offertory

The Gift of Love

Chancel Choir

Hal Hopson

Closing Hymn* #623

I've Got Peace Like a River

Benediction*

Postlude*

Voluntary in C

Phil Lehenbauer

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

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

