

Worship Guide

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Welcome!

Following CDC guidelines, wearing masks is optional. Thank you for being careful and gracious toward one another as we live into these times.

Today Saint Luke's welcomes Dr. Elizabeth Arnold to give the morning sermon.

Elizabeth "Ebby" Arnold is the post-doctoral fellow for The Candler Foundry.

She holds a PhD in New Testament from Emory University and her dissertation focused on the wilderness in Luke-Acts.

In The Candler Foundry, she teaches Courses in the Community as well as Candler School of Theology.

In Preparation for Worship

"It's hard to remember a deeper, comforting truth: we are built on a foundation not our own."

- Kate Bowler, Good Enough

Prelude "Air" from *Overture in D* J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship* from Psalm 43

Leader: O send out your light and your truth, O Lord, and let them lead us!

People: Let your light and your truth bring us to your holy hill and dwelling place.

Leader: Then we will go to the altar of our God and our joy, and there we will praise you with the harp!

People: We hope in God, and shall again praise the Lord our God with thanksgiving!

Opening Hymn* #1 Holy, Holy, Holy

Prayer of the Day*

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating a new, bold, and open community.

We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.

We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Prayer for Illumination

Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit,

and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,

doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise* #605 Praise to God the Father

Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-12

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our StoryCatherine Anne Thomas

Children are welcome to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. After Tell Us Our Story, parents will walk children across courtyard to Room 117 (3 and under) and Room 119 (PreK and K). 1st through 5th graders will gather in the narthex and walk with leaders to 252Kid and 252Preteen. Parents will pick up from The Dock and The Lighthouse. Of course, all children are always welcome to remain in worship with their families.

Anthem Ave Verum Chancel Choir

W. A. Mozart

Sermon "The Silent Miracle" Dr. Elizabeth Arnold

Affirmation of Faith* The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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.

Moment for the Music Director Search Committee

Sydney Moss & Dustin Waller

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.

Offertory Fantasia Johannes Pachelbel

Closing Hymn* #610 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Benediction*

Postlude* Trumpets and Flourishes David Maxwell

Please join us for "cookies in the courtyard" to welcome Rev. Michael Sanchez, our new Associate Pastor for Youth, and Randy Romig, Interim Director of Music!

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