



## Welcome!

Following CDC guidelines, wearing masks is optional.

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

## In Preparation for Worship

“Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle.” - Ian Maclaren

## Prelude

Theme from 'Finlandia (Finland)

Jean Sibelius

## Welcome and Announcements

## Choral Introit

Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather (Japan)

Amanda Lower, choreography

## Call to Worship\*

Leader: We declare together, O Lord, with weary hearts and stirred souls,  
People: **that you call all your children, from every place, together.**  
Leader: And so by faith we draw near to every neighbor, and we will stand with those who struggle.  
People: **We will make a place of peace for even the enemies at our table.**  
Leader: We will open our doors and our hearts to those who enter them.  
People: **We will forgive as we have been forgiven.**  
Leader: We will love in Jesus' name, because you taught us that love conquers all.

## Opening Hymn\* 265

Jesus Shall Reign (England)

## Prayer of the Day\*

God of the world and all that is good,  
We confess to you and to one another that we have been quick to anger and slow to mercy.  
The world does not always see you in us.  
Make us people of mercy and love.  
Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us, so that we would overflow with kindness and compassion,  
Not just for one another, but for those we consider strangers and even enemies.  
Bless us, again, to be blessings in your name.  
Amen.

## Song of Praise\* 609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

## Prayer for Illumination

Carol Hickey

## Scripture Reading

Luke 6:27-38

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

## Tell Us Our Story

Van Herring

All children are invited to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. Afterwards, parents will walk their children via the covered sidewalk to Room 119 for "Frolic" (ages PreK and K) or Room 117 for childcare (birth through 3's.) Since this is Family Worship Sunday all elementary children will remain in worship with their families so that they may participate in Communion. Worship books and other faith formation resources are available on the worship carts and ledges in the narthex. At the conclusion of worship, any family seeking to learn more about children and communion may come to the front of the sanctuary to learn more about communion from a pastor and receive resources to continue the conversation at home.

**Anthem** Bonse Aba (Zimbabwe) arr. Andrew Fischer  
All that sing have the right to be called Children of God. (translated)

**Sermon** "Kindness Boomerangs" 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** Panis Angelicus (France/Latin) Cesar Franck  
Lindsey Sanders, soprano and Morgan Potts, mezzo soprano

**The Offering** Arioso in A Major (Germany) J.S. Bach

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](http://slpres.org/giving),  
3) Send a text message to 73256, starting with the keyword GIVETOSLPRES followed by the amount.

**Closing Hymn\* 853** We Are Marching in the Light of God (South Africa)

### Benediction\*

**Postlude\*** Rondeau (France) Joseph Mouret

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

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