

Worship Guide

January 29, 2023

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

"We do not need to know the beginning of a child's story to help change the ending." - Fi Newood

Prelude

"Air"

Samuel Wesley

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: We have gathered in this space, welcomed like prodigal children back to a warm, safe home.
People: We have gathered in this space, embraced like children whom Jesus greeted and welcomed.
Leader: As those greeted and welcomed ourselves, let us cultivate our own greeting and welcoming hearts.
People: As those inspired by the way of Jesus, let us discover again his Spirit within ourselves, and give praise!

Opening Hymn* 49

The God of Abraham Praise

Prayer of Confession*

written by a middle school student named Lynnae

Dear God, you are great and awesome, and with your help we are working on it for ourselves.

Today we come to you in a prayer of confession.

We are sorry for the many things that we have done that are wrong in your eyes.

We are also sorry for all the things we should have done but we didn't do.

We are asking now for forgiveness for these things,

and for other things that we might have done to hurt someone and don't even know about.

Help us to continue becoming great and awesome like you and Jesus.

Hear now also the prayers on our hearts...

(a moment of silence is kept for personal prayers)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Song of Praise* 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

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

Tell Us Our Story

David Lower

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	Set Me As a Seal from A New Creation	Rene Clausen The Chancel Choir
Sermon	"Let this mind be in you"	Rev. Myron Wilkins President, Thornwell
Anthem	Beautiful Savior (Schonster Herr Jesu)	arr. Katherine Larson Festival Ringers
Affirmation of Faith*	from the Belhar Confession (1986)	
We believe in one holy, univer	sal 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

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

"O Had I Jubal's Lyre"

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* 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

Benediction*

Postlude*

Trumpet Tune in D Major

H. Purcell

G. F. Handel

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

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