



Welcome!

In Preparation for Worship

“Being the light of the world is about being a broken, exploding, scarred star and shining a light of hope and inspiration to everyone around you.” — Ricky Maye

Gathering Prayer

Nate Ballow

Presentation of the Colors

Carter Dyche, Parker Ranlett, Jack Riordan

Moment for Scouting

Aidan Keohane, Harrison Stallings

Prelude

Theme from “Finlandia”

Jean Sibelius

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Harrison Stallings

Leader: We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

People: **We are the salt of the earth, called to bring a new hope in God.**

Leader: We are the light of the world, called to follow God’s commandments and the law.

People: **The Law of God in Christ is to love God and to love one another.**

Leader: Come, let us be the salt of the earth; let us be the light of the world.

People: **Come, let us love one another with the love of God, and sing songs of praise!**

Opening Hymn* 819

Be Still My Soul

Prayer of Confession*

Ian Ballow

Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful.

We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do.

We love with condition. We judge and condemn.

We cast the first stone, and ignore the logs in our own eyes.

We do not turn to You as the source of our healing.

Forgive us, we pray, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service.

Hear now also the prayers on each of 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

Moment for Mission

Vacation Bible Experience

Catherine Anne Thomas

Prayer for Illumination

Aidan Keohane

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13-20

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

Give Me Jesus

Traditional; arr. Larry L. Fleming
The Chancel Choir

Sermon

"Help See and Savor"

David Lower

Affirmation of Faith*

from the Belhar Confession (1986)

Carter Dyche

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.
And we believe 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.**

Holy Communion

Prayers 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

The Offering

O Master Let Me Walk With Thee

Traditional

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* 804

Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart

Benediction*

Ian Ballou

Postlude*

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Setting by Michael Burkhardt

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

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