Welcome to Saint Luke's!

In Preparation for Worship

"God loves each of us as if there were only one of us." – Saint Augustine

Prelude

Abide With Me   arr. Dan Miller

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is alive! Let us all praise the Lord.
People: Let all creation sing with joy! Alleluia!

Opening Hymn* 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Prayer of Confession*

God of mercy, your command for us to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons.
Yet we often respond with suspicion, fear, and judgment that hinders your goal for us.
Forgive us, we pray, and give us a right heart,
so that we might embrace one another and our neighbors in reckless love and care.
And believe in you and always pray in your holy name.
With gratitude we pray, 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* 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Maggie Warford

Scripture Reading

John 14:15-21

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

Tell Us Our Story

Michael Sanchez

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

If You Love Me   Joel Raney

Sermon

Inseparate   David Lower

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.

The Offering   Piano Sonata No. 28, Op. 101   Ludwig van Beethoven

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1) Giving envelopes, available in each pew, may be placed in the offering plates as they are passed.
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* 694   Great God of Every Blessing

Benediction*

Choral Amen   from The Lord Bless You and Keep You   Peter C. Lutkin

Postlude*   Toccata No. 4, Holy Manna   Joel Raney

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

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If you would like to be added to the prayer guide distribution list, or know someone who would (with their permission), please feel free to submit the request to the pastors and weekly prayer circle members: prayerrequest@slpres.org.