



Welcome to Saint Luke's!

In Preparation for Worship

“Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.” – Corrie Ten Boom

Prelude

Mélancolie

Francis Poulenc

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: How wondrous! A new heaven and a new earth!

People: **The old, bruised and angered, fearful and alienated, will pass away.**

Leader: In its place God will offer new hope and peace

People: **God will dwell with God's people forevermore.**

Leader: Worship the Lord who is doing a new thing!

People: **Praise God who lives among and in us!**

Opening Hymn* 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Prayer of the Day*

Holy God, by your power we are made, and by your love we are redeemed.

We know that your very nature, revealed in Christ, teaches us how to love one another.

We also know that living in a love like yours requires letting go of judgments and divisions and apathies.

Help us to let go of what holds us up.

And help us to hear what lifts us up – your loving Word.

By your Word, teach us again to pray. Teach us to love. Teach us to be one, as you are one.

All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Song of Praise* 605

Praise to God the Father

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son; praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One.

Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high. Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

Prayer for Illumination

Guide Us Lord

Guide us Lord, **we are here...** (3x) Guide us Lord, **we are here, we are here for you.**

You love us Lord, **we are here...** (3x) You love us Lord, **we are here, we are here for you.**

Scripture Reading

Revelation 21

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Blessing of the Backpacks

Catherine Anne Thomas and Shannon Dill

Children and students of all ages are invited to come forward for Blessing of the Backpacks. Parents may then walk their children down the covered sidewalk to Room 117 (3 and under) and Room 119 (PreK and K). 1st through 5th graders will remain in the pew with their families today so that they may experience Communion in some way. Children and parents are welcome to come forward after today's worship for communion education and take-home resources.

Affirmation of Faith*

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.

Holy Communion**Invitation****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**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

The Offering

Soon and Very Soon

Andraé Crouch, arr. Jack Schrader

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 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* 517

Here, O Our Lord, We See You

Benediction***Postlude***

Toccata No. 10 on "Austrian Hymn"

Franz Joseph Haydn, arr. Joel Raney

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

For the latest Saint Luke's news and information, go to slpres.org or scan the QR code.



If you would like to share prayer concerns, or know someone who would (with their permission), you may submit prayer requests for inclusion in the Prayer Guide by sending them to prayerrequest@slpres.org.