



Welcome to Saint Luke's!
November 12, 2023

In Preparation for Worship

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness came not from great tragedies in life but from everyday routine. It brings with it a call of utmost need for us right now to remember God's unfailing, faithful provisions each day in our daily routine."

– Dr. Virginia Tsai

Prelude

This Little Light of Mine

arr. Moses Hogan

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home.
People: **God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us.**
Leader: God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day.
People: **Let us celebrate and rejoice in God's gracious presence with us.**

Opening Hymn* 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Prayer for the Day*

Gracious God, the most wonderful treasures are often to be found in surprising corners, unexpected people and new experiences. Help us by your Spirit to have patience to understand that you are always at work; even when it remains unseen by us. May your light shine in all the dark places of our lives, our church, our communities and our world, so that the treasure that lies within might be revealed to us through Jesus Christ. Amen.

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.

Welcome of New Members

Sacrament of Baptism

Cayleigh Blake Buck

Joining us today are Gill and Ryan Buck (parents), as well as Tracey & Mark Buck (grandparents).

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.

Response Hymn 482

Baptized in Water

Welcome

Following the elder's statement the congregation shall respond...

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Cayleigh into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ.

We promise to love, encourage, and support her, to share the good news of the gospel with her, and to help her to know and follow Christ.

Prayer for Illumination

Becky Loftis

Scripture Reading

Lamentations 3:22-23

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

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 120 (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

Thou Gracious God, Whose Mercy Lends

Mack Wilberg

Sermon

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Shannon Dill

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.

Moment for Commitment

Jay Lee

Offering of Our Commitments

On this Commitment Sunday, we come forward as a sign of the gifts and time we pledge toward the next year in the life of our church.

If you have a 2024 pledge card, or a blue card from the pews signifying your electronic giving, or a gift for the church, you are invited to place it in the baskets provided.

In addition to pledging support for 2024, all are also invited to give today. You may support 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.*

The Offertory

Fac ut portem

Gioachino Rossini

Morgan Potts

Closing Hymn* 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Benediction*

Postlude*

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Larry Shackley

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

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

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.



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