



Welcome to Saint Luke's!
November 26, 2023

In Preparation for Worship

“Don't wait for the last judgment - it takes place every day.” - Albert Camus

Prelude

Come, Thou Almighty King

arr. Larry Shackley

Kelly Sloan, duet

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord;
People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Leader: For the Lord is a great God;
People: a great ruler over heaven and earth!

Opening Hymn* 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Prayer of Confession*

Lord Jesus, Judge of all, Judge of the nations,
We confess that we have not seen your face among our neighbors in need.
We have not always shared our food with the hungry, nor offered clothes to the poor, nor shelter to the homeless.
We have not always welcomed the stranger, or visited the prisoner.
In our neglect of these, your sisters and brothers, we have failed to serve you.
Lord, forgive us.
Open our eyes to recognize your beloved family and to go seek them.
Help us to realize what it is to encounter you in this life, so that we may know the joy of eternal life.
Hear now our silent prayers of confession...
(a moment of silence is kept for personal prayers)
Leader: Lord, in your mercy
People: Hear our prayers. 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

Carol Hickey

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

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

Will You Come and Follow Me

arr. Tom Trenney

Sermon

God's Ultimate Plan

David Lower

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.

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

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

arr. Hal H. Hopson

Lindsey Sanders

Closing Hymn* 351

All Who Love and Serve Your City

Benediction*

Postlude*

Let All Things Now Living

arr. Lloyd Larson

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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