



Welcome to Saint Luke's!

January 21, 2024

## In Preparation for Worship

"The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

— Frederick Buechner

### Prelude

NETTLETON

*arr. Eurydice V. Osterman*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship\*

Leader: To the fisherman Jesus said:  
People: **Follow me and I will make you fish for people.**  
Leader: To the tax collector Jesus said:  
People: **Follow me.**  
Leader: At the last supper Jesus said:  
People: **Follow me.**  
Leader: To you and to me and to all of us Jesus says:  
People: **Follow me!**

### Opening Hymn\* 157

I Danced in the Morning

### Prayer of Confession\*

Dear God, who calls us by name,  
You call us and we ignore your whisper, listening to the voices of this world. You call us and we choose different paths, following our own devices. You call us to be your voice in this world, to be your hands in this world, to be your feet in this world, to proclaim your peace, comfort, forgiveness, healing, love, justice, and grace. Forgive us, open our ears, call us again, use us, and hear now also the prayers on our hearts... *(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\* 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

## Welcome of Confirmands & Mentors

## Welcome New Members

## Prayer for Illumination

Carol Hickey

## Scripture Reading

Mark 1:14-20

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 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.*

## Sermon

Follow

Michael Sanchez

## Prayers of the People

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.

## Minute for Tartan Trot

TJ McGoldrick

## The Offering

How Firm a Foundation  
*arr. Larry Shackley*

Chancel Choir

*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 as they are passed.*
- 2) Give online via [slpres.org/giving](https://slpres.org/giving),*
- 3) Send a text message to 73256, starting with the keyword GIVETOSLPRES followed by the amount.*

## Closing Hymn\* 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

## Benediction\*

## Choral Amen\*

## Postlude\*

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

For the latest Saint Luke's news and information, go to [slpres.org](https://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](mailto:prayerrequest@slpres.org).