



SAINT LUKE'S

P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

Scottish Heritage Sunday

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Today's flowers are given in celebration of the birth of Harlan James Thomas on December 13, 2023. Harlan is the son of Ross Thomas and Britt Baumert; grandson of Catherine Anne and Mark Thomas; nephew of Rebecca Thomas and Reed Thomas.

In Preparation for Worship

"I sought neither preeminence, glory, nor riches; my honor was that Jesus Christ should reign." – John Knox

Gathering Prayer

Prelude

Flowers of the Forest
arr. Jim Paterson

Welcome and Announcements

At this time, please print the requested information on the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew.

Call to Worship*

Leader: The Church began in Jerusalem,

People: but the good news of Jesus spread all over the world.

Leader: Many years later, Scottish immigrants came to America
to worship Jesus freely,

**People: Because of their courage and faith, we gather here today from different
cultures and backgrounds,**

All: joining together to worship God!

Processional

Highland Cathedral, Traditional

Introduction to the Service of the Reformed Heritage

Alan Miller, Beadle

Celebration of Tartan Trot and The Byron Brown Award

TJ McGoldrick

Call to Confession*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession*

(Adopted from Scottish Reformer John Knox's Liturgy of 1560)

Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into Your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from You, if You dealt with us as we deserve. We have sinned against You, O Lord, and we have offended You. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge You to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to You. And so we humbly ask You, for the sake of Christ Your Son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age. By Your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our lives, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Now hear the prayers on our hearts... *(Silence is kept for personal prayers.)*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise 581*

Glory Be to the Father

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.

Prayer for Illumination

Anthony Favero

Scripture Reading

Mark 9:2-9

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 of children in Kindergarten or younger, 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

Brother James's Air
arr. Gordon Jacob

Chancel Choir

Sermon

Seeing Things Differently

David Lower

Affirmation of Faith*

from The Scots Confession (1560)

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to Whom we must cleave,
Whom alone we must serve, Whom only we must worship,
and in Whom alone we put our trust.
Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
We most surely believe that God preserved, instructed, multiplied, honored,
adorned, and called from death to life His Kirk in all ages
since Adam and Eve until the coming of Christ Jesus in the flesh. 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.

Offering

Farewell to Stromness
Peter Maxwell Davies

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,*
- 3) Send a text message to 73256, starting with the keyword GIVETOSLPRES followed by the amount.*

Recessional Hymn 649*

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

Benediction*

Postlude*

Toccata festivo
Dennis Janzer

Please join us in the Great Hall for food, fellowship and celebration!