



**10:30 Worship Service
Welcome to Saint Luke's!
April 14, 2024**

In Preparation for Worship

“If it takes a little time to let Easter sink in, to come to active trust and faith that these promises are true, well, then let’s keep in mind that we’re in good company. Jesus’ first disciples struggled with all this as well.”

– David Lose, Luther Theological Seminary

Prelude

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

arr. Jim Martinez

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Come with joy and see the love God has given to us.

People: **Come and see what it means to be beloved children of God.**

Leader: Come with hope; discover Christ's presence in the world and one another.

People: **With joy and hope, we come to see the Lord.**

Opening Hymn* 231

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers

Prayer for the Day*

God of miracles and wonder, come to us now, even as your Son came to those first disciples. Speak your peace to our hearts. Touch us with your Holy Spirit. Reveal your word, that we may hear your message this day, and live as your disciples in the days and years to come. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

Song of Thanksgiving*

Halle, Halle, Halle

Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Prayer for Illumination

Maggie Warford

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:36-48

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sacrament of Baptism

Phillip Ladson Dean

Joining us today are parents Mitchell & Bailey Dean; sister Vera Dean; and grandparents Beverly and Dennis Dean.

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 #486

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Welcome

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

With joy and thanksgiving,
we welcome Lad into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ.
We promise to love, encourage, and support him, to share the good news of the gospel with him, and to help him to know and follow Christ.

All children are invited to come forward for the baptism. Afterwards, parents will walk their children via the covered sidewalk to Room 120 for "Frolic" (ages PreK and K) or Room 117 for childcare (birth through 3's.) 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

We Are Witnesses

David Lower

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 of Commitment

Andy Lawton

The Offering

The Gift of Love

Hal Hopson

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 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* 296

Go in Grace and Make Disciples

Benediction*

Postlude*

Marche from Carnaval, Op. 9

Robert Schumann

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.