

8:45 & 9:30am Worship Service Welcome to Saint Luke's! May 12th, 2024

In Preparation for Worship

"You were my mom; you were my dad. the only thing I ever had was you, it's true, and even when the times got hard you were there to let us know that we'd get through" - "Thank you, Mom" - Good Charlotte

Prelude Violin Concerto, Op. 77: II. Adagio

Johannes Brahms

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: God, gather us for worship.

People: Gather us like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings.

Leader: Our God, loving, nurturing.

People: In love, God saves and supports us, teaching us the way we should go.

Leader: Trusting in God, we continually offer our praise!

People: Let us praise God together.

Opening Hymn* 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! (stanzas 1 and 3)

Prayer of the Day*

O God, you knit us together in our mother's wombs. You know us better than we know ourselves. You know our strengths and our faults. You love us and call us by name from the moment we first breathe. As a parent tenderly holds their children close, so you hold us. Lord, in a world of division, conflict, and war we pray that we too can love another as you first loved us.

(a moment of silence is kept for personal prayers)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy People: Hear our prayers. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

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

Scripture Reading

John 17:6-19

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story (8:45 only)

Children are welcome to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. After Tell Us Our Story, parents will walk children to Room 117 (3 and under) and Room 120 (PreK and K). 1st through 5th graders will gather in the Chapel 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 Mother of All Love Michael Sanchez

Holy Communion (8:45)

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 OfferingI Want to Know You arr. Phillip Keveren

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* 765 May the God of Hope Go with Us

Benediction*

Postlude* To God Be the Glory

arr. Victor Labenske

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

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

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 <u>prayerrequest@slpres.org</u>.