

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

## In Preparation for Worship

"The only constant in life is change." - Heroclitus

Prelude

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship arr. Joel Raney

### Welcome and Announcements

### **Call to Worship\***

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord, **People: who made heaven and earth.** Leader: O praise the Lord with me. **People: Let us exalt God's name together.** Leader: For the Lord is a gracious God. **People: whose mercy is everlasting, and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.** 

**Opening Hymn\* 301** 

Let Us Build a House

## **Prayer of Confession**

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, We confess that we have tried to hide from you; we have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and not shared their burdens. We have kept distance from the pain of the world, and left many hungry, poor, and oppressed.

In your mercy, forgive us, and free us from our self-centered ways,

So that we may instead choose your will, and walk humbly with you.

We also pray the silent 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 Thanksgiving\*

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**

Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 12:7-10,13

# Scripture Reading Psalm 51: 1,6-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## **Tell Us Our Story**

*Children are welcome to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. After Tell Us Our Story, parents will walk children across to Room 117 (3 and under) and Room 120 (PreK and K). 1st through 5th graders may gather in the Chapel narthex and walk with leaders to The Dock, where parents will pick up after worship. Of course, all children are always welcome to remain in worship with their families.* 

Music	O Sacred Head, Now Wounded arr. Hans Leo Hassler	Josh Klein, trumpet
Sermon	Summer Storytime: Mistakes & Redemption	David Lower
Affirmation of Faith*	excerpted from the Confession of 1967	

God is revealed definitively in Jesus Christ, the word of God incarnate,

to whom the holy scriptures bear unique and authoritative witness.

The church has received the books of the Old and New Testaments as testimony in which it hears the word of God. The Bible is to be interpreted in the light of its witness to God's work of reconciliation in Christ. The scriptures, given under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are nevertheless words of human beings, conditioned by the language, thought forms, and literary fashions of the places and times at which they were written. They reflect views of life, history, and the cosmos which were then current. The church, therefore, has an obligation to approach the Scriptures with literary and historical understanding. As God has spoken the divine word in diverse cultural situations, the church is confident that God will continue to speak through the Scriptures in a changing world and in every form of human culture. God's word is spoken to the church today where the Scriptures are faithfully preached and attentively read in dependence on the illumination of the Holy Spirit and with readiness to receive their truth and direction. 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

Every Time I Hear the Spirit

Josh Klein, trumpet

arr. John Carter

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\* 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

## **Benediction\***

Postlude\*

L'isle Joyeuse Claude Debussy

### 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>.