

10:30 Worship Service Welcome to Saint Luke's! August 4, 2024

In Preparation for Worship

"Eliminating boundaries does not in itself create peace. Peace comes only in eliminating the hostility behind the dividing walls." – Karen Chakoian

Prelude

I've Got Peace Like a River arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ—members of God's family, **People: He came and preached peace to you who were far off** Leader: And peace to those who were near. **People: Let everyone praise the Lord!**

Opening Hymn* 510

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name

Prayer of Confession

Steadfast God, we confess that we are so busy putting up walls between ourselves and others, we cannot see the home you are building for all of us.

We spend so much time noting the differences between us and others, while you are embracing everyone as your child. We run to welcome those who look, talk, and act like us, and you throw open your doors to the stranger, the alien, in our midst.

Forgive us. By your grace, help us see the household you are building for all people.

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*

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

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Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22

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

Tell Us Our Story & Blessing of the Backpacks

All children are invited to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. Afterwards, parents will walk their children to Room 120 for "Frolic" (ages PreK and K) or Room 117 for childcare (birth through 3's.) Since this is Family Worship Sunday, all elementary children will remain in worship with their families so that they may participate in Communion. Worship books and other faith formation resources are available on the worship carts and ledges in the Chapel narthex. At the conclusion of worship, any family seeking to learn more about children and communion may come to the front of the Chapel to learn more about communion a pastor and receive resources to continue the conversation at home.

Sermon

Become a Dwelling

Shannon Dill

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.

Holy Communion

Invitation to Table

Prayers of Thanksgiving 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.

Words of Institution

Communion Music	In Christ Alone arr. Lloyd Larson	Taylor Link
The Offering	Restless Audrey Assad & Matt Maher	Taylor Link
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* 468

In My Life

Benediction*

Postlude*

Summer Suns are Glowing arr. Gary Norian

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>.