



10:30 Worship Service
Welcome to Saint Luke's!
September 15, 2024

Today's flowers commemorate the 63rd anniversary of Vicki and Stan Thornton.

In Preparation for Worship

"All the evidence suggests that [Jesus] packed up and left a long, long time ago." – *Barbara Brown Taylor*

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision
arr. Gordon Young

George Atwell

Welcome and Announcements

Moment for Tartan Trot

Call to Worship*

Leader: Jesus promised to be with us always

People: **Lord, we are thankful for that promise.**

Leader: In all times, this promise gives us hope.

People: **Lord, we rejoice in the hope you give us.**

Opening Hymn* 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Prayer of Confession

Patient God, it hasn't been easy for us to be disciples or witnesses to your love.

Yet, at all times, you are with us, guiding and guarding us.

Forgive us when we forget. Forgive us when we forget that we are called to be those who live the faith of hope and reconciliation, of courage and understanding.

Lift us up when we have fallen, guide our hearts when we speak, for it is in the name of our risen Savior Jesus that we ask these things.

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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Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Prayer for Illumination

Carol Hickey

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:44-53

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Michael Sanchez

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.

Sermon

Be Curious: Where is Jesus?

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.

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

Safe Within Your Arms
Mark Hayes

Lindsey Sanders, *soprano*
George Atwell, *piano*

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* 722

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

Benediction*

Postlude*

Recessional
William Mathias

George Atwell

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.