



10:30 Worship Service
Welcome to Saint Luke's!
November 17th, 2024

In Preparation for Worship

"Grace is the face that love wears when it meets imperfection." – Joseph Cooke

Prelude

Come, Christians, Join to Sing!
arr. Sondra K. Tucker

Festival Ringers

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: The earth is the Lord's!
People: Everything in creation belongs to God.
Leader: Lift up your eyes!
People: See the mighty works of the Lord!
Leader: This is the Lord's house!
People: All who hope in the Lord will be called children of God.
Leader: Lift up your hearts! Receive the gracious gifts of the Lord!
People: We give praise and glory with our hearts and our song!

Opening Hymn* 301

Let Us Build a House

Prayer of Confession*

Blessed be you, O God our Creator and Redeemer and Sustainer, for blessing us with every spiritual blessing, for adopting us and making us heirs of heaven's abundance.
You know those parts of us that still believe we are left orphaned and unwanted.
You know those parts of us that remain restless and anxious.
You know the thoughts that give us sleepless nights. You know the desires that make our days frantic.
Forgive us these things. Show us again your mercy. Show us again your Son.
May the mercy displayed in his death and resurrection make its way into every resistant part of us so that, in our lives, you might be praised.
In Jesus' name, hear now the prayers of 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* 609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:3-10

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

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

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 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.

Anthem

Ain't Got Time to Die
arr. Katherine K. Davis

Chancel Choir

Sermon

The Face of Grace

Rev. Myron Wilkins

Affirmation of Faith*

from The Belhar Confession (2016)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.
And we believe that this unity of the people of God
must be manifest and active,
in that we love one another;
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,
that we all share one baptism together,
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope,
which is the height and the breadth and the depth
and the love of Christ, forever and ever. 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.

Moment for Mission

Thornwell

Allison Thornton

The Offering

For the Troubles and the Sufferings

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* 353

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Benediction*

Choral Amen*

Postlude*

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken
arr. Gordon Young

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.