



10:30 Worship Service
 Welcome to Saint Luke's!
 February 2, 2025
 Holy Communion
 Scouts Sunday

In Preparation for Worship

“Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.” –Corrie ten Boom

Presentation of the Colors

Nate Ballow, Jay Favero, Sarah Miller, Parker Ranlett, Allie Riordan

Gathering Prayer

Henley Freyman

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy
arr. Anthony Giamanco

Ian Ballow, Jack Riordan, & Harrison Stallings

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Ian Ballow

Leader: For love that offers light to all who walk in it, strength to all who hope in it, healing to all who have need of it, wholeness to all who live in it, we give thanks.
 People: **This is the God we serve, the God we worship, the God we proclaim.**
 Leader: This day and all days.
 People: **With our words and our lives. Let us worship God!**

Opening Hymn* 401

Here In This Place

Prayer of Confession*

Aidan Keohane

Generous God, for all that sustains us;
 air to breathe, warmth and light, food to eat, water to drink,
 we offer our thanks and praise.
 For spiritual gifts that bind us together;
 one people, one body empowered for service,
 we offer our hands and voices.
 For the good news of the gospel;
 healing and wholeness, freedom and justice
 we offer our hearts in service.
 Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations through the power and love of Christ,
 in whose name we give ourselves to you, now also doing so with 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* 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, who 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

Sarah Miller

Scripture Reading

Luke 4:21-30

Parker Ranlett

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

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 Sanctuary to learn more about communion from a pastor and receive resources to continue the conversation at home.

Sermon

Clinging to the Familiar

David Lower

Affirmation of Faith*

from A Brief Statement of Faith (1983)

Harrison Stallings

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

Holy Communion

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.

Communion Music

Fairest Lord Jesus
arr. Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir
Myles Green, soloist

The Offering

Brass Trio
arr. Micah Miles

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Closing Hymn* 765

May the God of Hope Go with Us

Benediction*

Ian Ballow

Postlude*

All Things Bright and Beautiful
arr. Dale Wood

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.