



10:30 am Worship Service
Welcome to Saint Luke's!
February 16, 2025

In Preparation for Worship

"Being a disciple is, truly, an answer to the question, "Who am I?" – Karoline Lewis

Prelude

Somos del Señor
arr. Joshua Evanovich

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: We come hungry for a better world for all.

People: We come affirming the power of Christ's healing love.

Leader: With the honesty of our doubts and insecurities,

People: We rejoice in God's love for each one of us; seeking Jesus's blessing to make us whole.

Opening Hymn* 409

God Is Here

Prayer of Confession*

Compassionate God,

We recognize that our world is a broken place.

And as hard as it is, we admit that sometimes we play a part in making it this way.

We confess that we wrestle with anger, resentment, and jealousy.

Renew us in Your love, O God,

Awaken us to the role we can play in healing Your creation.

Strengthen us through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Embrace us again with your grace. Help us heal. Dispel our fear.

Gratefully we pray in Jesus' name, also with the quiet prayers of our hearts...

(Silence is kept for personal reflection.)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer. Amen.

Song of Praise* #314, refrain

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.

Christ be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Prayer for Illumination

Ann Richardson

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:17-26

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Michael Sanchez

All children are invited to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. Afterwards, parents will walk their children to Room 119 for "ABC's of the Bible" (ages 3's, PreK and K) or Room 117 for childcare (birth through 2's.) 1st through 5th graders will gather in the narthex and walk with leaders to 252Kid and 252Preteen. Parents will pick up from The Dock and The Lighthouse. Of course, all children are always welcome to remain in worship with their families.

Anthem	Messenger of Peace <i>Kelly Sloan</i>	Chancel Choir
Sermon	A Level Place	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	Seek Ye First <i>arr. David E. Wagner</i>	David Clark & Lindy Farley
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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 inside the Friendship Pads or in the offering plate in the narthex,*
- 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* 773	Heaven Shall Not Wait
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Benediction*

Choral Amen*

Postlude*	Partita on "How Firm a Foundation" <i>arr. Hal H. Hopson</i>
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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.