

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

# In Preparation for Worship

"The Lord is more constant and far more extravagant than it seems to imply. Wherever you turn your eyes the world can shine like transfiguration. You don't have to bring a thing to it except a little willingness to see. Only, who could have the courage to see it?" –Marilynne Robinson

**Prelude** Improvisation on Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. Dan Miller

## **Welcome and Announcements**

# Call to Worship\*

Leader: Hallelujah! O my soul, praise God!

People: All my life long I'll praise God, singing praise to my God for all my days.

Leader: We get help from the God of all, the God of Jacob, the light of the world shone in Jesus,

People: We put our hope in God and discover true blessing!

## Opening Hymn\* 666

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

## **Prayer of Confession\***

God of Glory,

we confess that we often hide from your guiding light.

You call us to trust in you completely,

but we trust in you only partly.

We prefer our ideas to yours,

and our old habits to new changes.

Forgive us.

Help us open our eyes to see ourselves more clearly,

as loved and forgiven and called by you

to bring about a better world.

In your good name we pray, now including 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**

Scripture Reading Luke 9:28-36

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 119 for "ABC's of the Bible" (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 Radiance David Lower

### **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** Seek Ye First David Clark & Lindy Farley

arr. David E. Wagner

The Offering Shine, Jesus, Shine Chancel Choir

arr. Mark Hayes

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\* 314 Longing

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness

Benediction\*

**Choral Amen\*** 

**Postlude\*** Christ, Be Our Light

arr. Eric Wall

### Please join us for the Congregational Meeting immediately following worship.

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>.