

10:30 Worship Service Welcome to Saint Luke's! May 11, 2025

# In Preparation for Worship

"The whole landscape had changed but it was not desolate; there was life and beauty in the midst of it."

- Philip Yancy

**Prelude** Consolations S. 171a, II. Un poco più mosso

Franz Liszt

## **Welcome and Announcements**

# Call to Worship\*

Leader: We gather together to worship God,

People: The Shepherd of our souls.

Leader: The one who has created us,

People: Who sustains us, who redeems us,

Leader: Who walks beside us in good times and bad, and who calls us to follow.

People: This is our God! Let's worship!

## **Opening Hymn\* 612** We Praise You, O God

## **Prayer of Confession\***

Gentle Shepherd, you guide us in right paths, you lead us in the ways of righteousness, but we have allowed our world to direct our paths. Forgive us, God, for not following your ways. Forgive us for not remembering that we are your sheep, and you are our Shepherd. Forgive us when we have not listened for your voice and instead have acted in the ways of the world. Guide us back to your path, to loving you and loving our neighbors. Help us to unclench our fists and lend out our hands in hope and healing, forgiveness and love. In the name of Christ our Shepherd we pray. (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 Psalm 23

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** If You Love Me Chancel Choir

Natalie Sleeth

**Sermon** We Are Like Sheep....In a Jeep 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**Over My Head
Chancel Choir

Traditional Spiritual
Lindsey Sanders, soloist

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\* 802

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

**Benediction\*** 

**Choral Amen\*** 

Postlude\*

KREMSER

arr. William A. McNair

## 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 <a href="mailto:prayerrequest@slpres.org">prayerrequest@slpres.org</a>.