



10:30 Worship Service
Welcome to Saint Luke's!
October 12th, 2025

In Preparation for Worship

“It is the duty of every Christian to be Christ to his neighbor.” – Martin Luther

Prelude

Capriccio Brillante, Op. 22
Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: Come, people of God, rooted in the truth handed down through the generations.
People: We gather, holding fast to the sacred Word that has shaped our faith.
Leader: In season and out of season, we are called to proclaim the Word with patience and faithfulness.
People: We come ready to listen, to learn, and to follow Jesus with courage and conviction.
All: Let us worship the living God—who calls, equips, and sends us out in truth and grace.

Opening Hymn* 54

Make a Joyful Noise to God!

Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God, you have given us Scripture to guide, teach, and challenge us, yet we confess that we often seek comfort instead of truth and remain silent when Your Word calls us to speak. We turn away from the hard work of justice, ignore the voices of the marginalized, and use faith to protect our privilege instead of serve Your kingdom. Forgive us for distorting Your Word, for resisting transformation, and for failing to proclaim love, grace, and inclusion in all seasons. Renew us by Your Spirit, that we may follow Christ with courage, compassion, and faithfulness. We have prayed collectively, and now silently.

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!

Passing of the Peace*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

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

Tell Us Our Story

Catherine Anne Thomas

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

O Give Thanks to the Lord
Robert Lau

Chancel Choir

Sermon

Faithful Persistence

Michael Sanchez

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

An Irish Blessing
Joel Raney

Michelle Moebes, flute

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* 596

You Are Holy

Benediction*

Choral Amen*

Postlude*

Blessed Assurance
arr. Thomas W. Jefferson

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.