



10:30 Worship Service
January 4th, 2026
Second Sunday of Christmas

In Preparation for Worship

"For she, Woman Wisdom, is a reflection of eternal light, a spotless mirror of the working of God, and an image of his goodness. Although she is but one, she can do all things, and while remaining in herself, she renews all things; in every generation she passes into holy souls and makes them friends of God and prophets."

— Wisdom of Solomon 7:26–27

Prelude

Greensleeves with Carol of the Bells
arr. Jim Brickman

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come.

People: The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Leader: The Lord will arise upon you, and God's glory will appear over you. Arise, shine, for your light has come.

People: The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around; people are gathering together; people are coming to you. Arise, shine, for your light has come.

People: The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Opening Hymn* 108

Of the Father's Love Begotten
stanzas 1, 2, 3 & 5

Prayer of Confession*

Loving God,
We are sorry that we do not always follow you.
Sometimes we are afraid to do what is right
because it might not be popular.
Forgive us. Have mercy on us.
Show us your light so that we may trust in you.
We have prayed together, and now we pray quietly...

Leader: In Jesus' name,

People: Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Thanksgiving* 592

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Passing of the Peace*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-18 (NRSV)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

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

What Has Come Into Being

David Lower

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

We Three Kings
arr. Tom Trenney

Chancel Choir

Before the Marvel of This Night
MARVEL

Victoria Blaire

The Offering

Silent Night
El McMeen

Mark Rogers

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* 110

Love Has Come

Benediction*

Choral Amen*

Postlude*

Auld Lang Syne
arr. Harry Likas

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.