



10:30 am Worship Service
Welcome to Saint Luke's!
July 19, 2026

In Preparation for Worship

"By washing and wiping the feet of his associates, he treats them as guests of honor and affirms their value in his company." — *T. Desmond Alexander*

Prelude

Impromptu No. 6 in E Major
Jean Sibelius

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

Tommy and Danny Rohall

Please respond to the child's question each time by saying:

All: Love serves.

Opening Hymn* 203

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Prayer of Confession*

Loving Servant Lord, you show us what love looks like, but we often choose another way.
You kneel in humility, and we reach for importance.
You wash feet, and we avoid what is hard, lowly, or inconvenient.
You call us to love one another, and we sometimes wait for someone else to begin.
Forgive us, Lord. Wash us with your mercy.
Teach us to receive your love, and make us ready to share it.
Help us follow your example with humble hearts, willing hands, and lives shaped by grace.
In Jesus' name we pray...(a moment of silence is kept for personal prayers)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Song of Praise* 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*

Psalter

Psalms 116 sung to the tune of *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

I love the Lord, who heard my voice
And answered my most earnest prayer;
When snares of death my life would take,
You lift me, God, from my despair.

The recompense for what is mine
Is to exalt Your name always;
My heart with thanks should ne'er run dry,
Nor tongue refuse to sing Your praise.

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Prayer for Illumination

Tricia Bridges

Scripture Reading

John 13:1-17

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**please stand*

Sacrament of Baptism

Benjamin Lee Guest

Rev. Dr. David Lower

Joining us today are parents Christopher & Ashton Guest and big sister Liddy; Ronald & Sandra Jones and Diane Guest (grandparents).

All children are invited to come forward to the steps for the baptism. Afterwards, parents may take children ages PreK and younger to child care in room 117. Children K and older will enjoy the summer activities on our worship carts as they remain in the pew with their families. Faith Formation classes will resume in August.

Response Hymn 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Welcome

Following the elder's statement the congregation shall respond...

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Benjamin into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ.

We promise to love, encourage, and support him, to share the good news of the gospel with him, and to help him to know and follow Christ.

Special Music

In This Heart
Sinead O'Connor

Amanda, Anna Jean, and David Lower

Sermon

The Guest Who Changes the House

Rev. Dr. David Lower

Affirmation of Faith*

from A Brief Statement of Faith for Summer 2026

We trust in God, Creator of all, who makes a world meant for sharing and joy.

We trust in Jesus Christ, who came among us, ate with friend and stranger, welcomed the outcast, forgave the sinner, and revealed God's grace at the table.

We trust in the Holy Spirit, who gathers us into one body,

feeds us with love, and sends us to seek our neighbors, share what we have, and build community in love.

In life and in death, we belong to God and are called to live with generosity, humility, and joy. Amen.

Prayers of the People and 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

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) Scan the QR code or give online via slpres.org/giving,
- 3) Send a text message to 73256, starting with the keyword GIVETOSLPRES followed by the amount.

If you give electronically, there is a blue, laminated, electronic giving card in the pew rack to place in the offering plate as it is passed.

Offering Music

Gaelic Morning
Dan Forrest

Closing Hymn* 727

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

Benediction*

Postlude*

MONKLAND
arr. Albert Travis

Highlights:



Please join us in the church lobby for fellowship and conversation!

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.

To give:

