



SAINT LUKE'S

P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

October 25, 2026



10:30 am Worship Service
Welcome to Saint Luke's!
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In Preparation for Worship

"Not everything that is faced can be changed. But nothing can be changed until it is faced."

– James Baldwin

Prelude

Sonata, K. 457, II. Adagio
W.A. Mozart

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*

from *Child of Blessing* liturgy

Adult Leader: Which commandment is greatest?
Child Leader: Love.
People: **Love the Lord your God.**
Child Leader: Love.
People: **Love with all your heart.**
Child Leader: Love.
People: **Love with all your soul.**
Child Leader: Love.
People: **Love with all your mind.**
Adult Leader: And the second commandment?
Child Leader: Love.
People: **Love your neighbor as yourself.**

Opening Hymn* 435

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Prayer of Confession*

Carter Momsen-Hudson

God of truth and mercy,
we are quick to recognize the failures of others
and slow to face the harm we have done.
We tell stories that make us innocent.
We confuse desire with entitlement and use power for our own purposes.
We protect our comfort and reputation instead of protecting those who are vulnerable.
We remain silent when the truth is costly and hide from what we do not want to see.
Forgive us, O God. Do not let shame drive us deeper into hiding.
Give us courage to tell the truth, accept responsibility, repair what can be repaired,
and change what must be changed.
Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put new and faithful spirits within us. Amen.
(a moment of silence is kept for personal prayers)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.
People: Hear our prayer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Carter Momsen-Hudson

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*

Carter Momsen-Hudson

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Ann Richardson

Scripture Reading

2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9; Psalm 51:1-9

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Rev. Jody Andrade

All children are invited to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. Afterwards, parents will walk their children to Room 119 for "Frolic" (ages PreK and K) or Room 117 for childcare (birth through 3'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

Amazing Grace
arr. Sandra Eithun

Festival Ringers

Sermon

When the Story Turns On Us

Rev. Dr. David Lower

Affirmation of Faith*

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Jody Andrade

**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 Lord's Prayer

Rev. Jody Andrade

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.

Moment for Stewardship

Rob Davis

The Offering

Rev. Jody Andrade

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

Love Has Broken Down the Wall
Mark A. Miller

Chancel Choir &
Victoria Blaire, soloist

Love has broken down the wall. Let us join our hearts as one. Love has broken down the wall.
We're accepted as we are. Through love's power, all is reconciled. We're accepted as we are.
Cast aside your doubts and fears. Peace and love, freely offered here; cast aside your doubts and fears.
We will tear down the walls. We will tear down every wall. Love has called us, one and all.
Love has broken down the wall.

Closing Hymn* 341

O God, Show Mercy to Us

Benediction*

Rev. Dr. David Lower

Choral Amen*

Postlude*

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
arr. Larry Shackley

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Highlights:



Please join us in the church lobby for fellowship and conversation!
For the latest Saint Luke's news and information go to slpres.org or scan the Highlights QR code.
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:

