

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

140 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION 11:00**

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face to shine upon you  
And give you peace, and be gracious unto you. Amen.

**POSTLUDE** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* Sobaje

At places marked \* those who are able may stand.

**Leading in Worship today:** Dr. Tom Pace, Dr. Linda Christians, Rev. Bill Denham, Rev. Thomas Harper, Rev. Katie Montgomery Mears, Suzi Pitts, Director of Communications, Jennifer Gould, Executive Director of Program Ministries.

**Musicians:** Sid Davis, Director of Music and Fine Arts; Randy Murrow, Associate Director of Music and Fine Arts; B.B. Bamberg, Associate Director of Music and Fine Arts; Rob Landes, Artist-in-Residence.

**Acolytes:** Tressa Ahlquist, Sabra Ahlquist, Joshua Sauer, Emily Sauer, Jack Goldstein, Emily Goldstein.

**The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God** and are given in celebration of the baptism of Luke Andrew Freeman by Scott and Jacklyn Freeman.

**12:05 p.m. Communion in the Chapel:** Rev. Katie Montgomery Mears

## ST. LUKE'S FIVE HABITS

**WE PRAY**

to build a closer relationship of love with Jesus Christ.

**WE STUDY THE BIBLE**

to dig deeper and learn everything we can about God's love.

**WE MAKE FRIENDS**

because we are changed in community.

**WE TELL OUR STORIES**

to share with others how God is still at work in the world.

**WE GIVE OURSELVES AWAY IN  
GENEROSITY AND SERVICE**

as apostles, sent by Jesus to be the good news in the world.

### Welcome to St. Luke's United Methodist Church!

We are so glad you are joining us today. Whether you are a first-time guest or a regular attendee ready to take the next step, we invite you to drop by the Connection Center as you exit the Sanctuary. During the week, contact Kelly in Connecting Ministries at [kgrimes@stlukesmethodist.org](mailto:kgrimes@stlukesmethodist.org) or 713-402-5015 to learn more.

A Family Room with TV simulcast is open in the Chapel Parlor.

Assisted hearing devices and large print hymnals are available from the ushers.

Sermon videos and podcasts can be found on the St. Luke's app or at [StLukesMethodist.org/sermons](http://StLukesMethodist.org/sermons).

When you can't join us in person, watch the Livestream of 8:30, 9:45 or 11:00 a.m. services. Go to [StLukesMethodist.org/livestream](http://StLukesMethodist.org/livestream) or view on your app.

*We are one family in Jesus, putting faith to work in love.*



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**NOVEMBER 18, 2018 | 9:45 & 11 A.M.**

**PRELUDE** *We Gather Together* Smith

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**All:** I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have being.

Leader: Happy are those whose help is in the Lord, their God,  
who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them;

**All:** The Lord will reign forever, from generation to generation.  
Praise the Lord!

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

60 *I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath* OLD 113TH

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED** UMH #881 **Rev. Bill Denham**

**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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI** UMH #70 MEINEKE

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

9:45  
**Emma Jane and John Matthew Hamilton**  
Children of Hugh Foster Hamilton and Kristin Coenen Hamilton

11:00  
**Luke Andrew Freeman**  
Son of Scott Hamilton Freeman and Jacklyn Anne Freeman

**Mia Reese Moffett**  
Daughter of Luke Thomas Moffett and Lee Ann Moffett

Minister: Beloved of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care these children whom we this day recognize as members of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that they may grow in the knowledge and love of God the Father, through our Savior Jesus Christ?

**People: With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these children with a community of love and forgiveness that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life eternal.**

**WELCOME**

**ANTHEM** 11:00 *How Can I Keep from Singing* arr. Davis  
Chancel Choir  
Hae-a Lee, violin Linda Gilbert, oboe

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentations.  
I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.  
Through all the tumult and the strife I hear its music ringing.  
It sounds an echo in my soul; how can I keep from singing?

While though the tempest loudly roars, I hear the truth, it liveth.  
And though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth.  
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging.  
Since love is lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

When tyrants tremble sick with fear, and hear their death-knell ringing,  
When friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing?  
In prison cells and dungeon vile, our thoughts to them are winging,  
When friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing?

**SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 6: 25-34 9:45 **Suzi Pitts**  
11:00 **Jennifer Gould**

**SCRIPTURE RESPONSE**

The Word of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God.

**CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER**

**MORNING PRAYER** 9:45 **Rev. Thomas Harper**  
11:00 **Rev. Katie Montgomery Mears**

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** 11:00  
2128 *Come and Find the Quiet Center* BEACH SPRING

**Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,  
Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:  
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see  
All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.**

**MINISTRY MOMENT** **Ashley & Robbie McDonough**

**OFFERTORY**

9:45 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies* Michael Burkhardt  
St. Cecilia

From all that dwell below the skies let the creator's praise arise;  
Let the redeemer's name be sung through every land by every tongue.  
Eternal are your mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends your Word;  
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore till sun shall rise and set no more.  
Let every creature rise and bring praise and thanksgiving to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.  
All praise to God the Father be, all praise, eternal Son, to thee;  
Whom with the Spirit we adore forever and forevermore.

11:00 *When I Can Read My Title Clear* arr. Sharp  
Chancel Choir

When I can read my title clear to mansions in the sky,  
I'll bid farewell to every fear and wipe my weeping eyes.  
Should earth against my soul engage, and fiery darts be hurled,  
Then I can smile, then I can smile and face a frowning world.  
Let cares like a wild deluge come and storms of sorrow fall!  
May I but safely reach my home, my God, my heaven, my all.  
There shall I bathe my soul in seas of heavenly rest,  
And not a wave of trouble roll across my peaceful breast.  
I'll bid farewell and wipe my weeping eyes.

**\*DOXOLOGY** UMH #95 OLD 100TH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**SERMON** *Stop Worrying – Start Trusting* **Dr. Tom Pace**  
Third in the series, *Stop It!*

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

*If you would like to become a follower of Jesus Christ, or if you are interested in joining St. Luke's United Methodist Church, we would love to talk to you about what that means. Please come forward after the service to meet with our Christian Friends.*

*If you would like someone to pray with you, you are invited to come forward after the service and meet with one of our prayer volunteers.*