

POSTLUDE

9:45
11:00

*Nun danket alle Gott
Now Thank We All Our God*

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At places marked * those who are able may stand.

ST. LUKE'S FIVE HABITS

WE PRAY AND WORSHIP

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.

When Are We?

In the context of the church calendar, we are in the final Sunday after Pentecost, which marks the closing of Ordinary Time to begin anew with Advent next Sunday. This Sunday is also commonly referred to as Christ the King for the purpose of acknowledging the reign of Christ over all aspects of our lives; that at the end of this liturgical year, not unlike our calendar-year celebration of New Year's Day, we look back to review, to acknowledge how God has moved and worked in us, to reset our priorities, and to prepare our hearts and minds for a new start. We celebrate the goodness of God's providence, alongside the feast of Thanksgiving, before we turn this page and begin our season of expectation for the coming Christ.

Leading in Worship today: Dr. Tom Pace; Rev. Bill Denham; Rev. Katie Montgomery Mears; Rev. Michelle Manuel; Madison Garcia; Suzi Pitts, Director of Communications; Tina Throckmorton.

Musicians: Sid Davis, Director of Music and Fine Arts; Rob Landes, Artist-in-Residence; James J. Roman, Associate Organist; Ryan Jones, Fine Arts Associate; Veritas; Chancel Choir.

Acolytes: Sebastian Rodriguez, Mackenzie Rice.

The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are given in celebration of the baptism of Reagan Olivia Whitehouse by Jessica and William Whitehouse; and in celebration of the baptism of Asher Andrew Malpiedi by Ashley and Andrew Malpiedi; and in celebration of the baptism of George Wick Griffin by Sharon and Jason Griffin.

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

Welcome to St. Luke's!

We're so glad you're here. Worship is at the heart of everything we do and we hope that you and your family find this service to be uplifting and transformational. Whether you are a first-time guest or a regular attendee, please join us in the Gathering Room near the Main Entrance for refreshments and fellowship after the service.



Want to learn more about St. Luke's? Drop by the Connection Desk near the Gathering Room and ask about *Coffee with the Pastor* with Dr. Tom Pace or contact Kelly Grimes at kgrimes@stlukesmethodist.org.

For Families with Children

A Family Room with Livestream is open all morning in the Chapel Parlor located out the left front door of the Sanctuary.

We offer loving and safe Nursery care for children ages 2 months – Pre-K while parents attend any of our morning worship services and Sunday School classes.



At 9:45 a.m., we offer Children's Sunday School for 2-year olds through 5th grade. For children in 6th through 12th grades, Student Ministries offers a unique worship experience in their own building.

During most 11:00 a.m. services, we offer Children's Church for children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade in room ES213 on the second floor of the Johnson Building, Main Entrance.

Sunday Morning and Beyond Resources

Download the St. Luke's App to watch online when you can't be with us, view sermons, listen to podcasts, find a small group, check in your children and more. Go to the App Store or Google Play and search St. Lukes UMC Houston. To watch the livestream on your computer, go to StLukesMethodist.org/livestream To watch sermons and listen to podcasts on your computer go to: StLukesMethodist.org/sermons

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



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St. Luke's United Methodist Church
November 24, 2019 | 9:45 and 11:00 a.m.



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United Methodist Church

Dr. Tom Pace, Senior Pastor

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PRELUDE

9:45 *We Praise You, O God* Wood
11:00 *Break Thou the Bread of Life* Thompson

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

694 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

***THE APOSTLES' CREED** UMH #881 **9:45 Madison Garcia**
11:00 **Rev. Katie Montgomery Mears**

**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
George Wick Griffin
Son of Jason James Griffin and Sharon Noel Griffin

11:00
Asher Andrew Malpiedi
Son of Andrew Michael Malpiedi and Ashley Elizabeth Malpiedi

Reagan Olivia Whitehouse
Daughter of William Edward Whitehouse and Jessica Bone Whitehouse

Minister: Beloved of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care *this/these children* whom we this day recognize as a members of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that *he/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 *this/these children* with a community of love and forgiveness that *he/they* may grow in *his/their* service to others. We will pray for *him/them* that *he/they* may be a true disciples who walks in the way that leads to life eternal.

WELCOME

ANTHEM 11:00 *Arise, Shine!* Kirby Shaw
Chancel Choir

Arise, shine, all people on earth!
Arise, shine; for your light has come!
And the multitudes will gather together to live in peace.
We will rejoice! We will go out in joy!

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.

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 100 9:45 **Suzi Pitts**
11:00 **Tina Throckmorton**

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

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

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

MORNING PRAYER Rev. Bill Denham

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** 131 *We Gather Together* KREMSER

OFFERTORY 9:45 *Cantique de Jean Racine* arr. Scott
Veritas Hae-a Lee, Violin

O Word, equal of the Most High,
Our sole hope, eternal day of earth and the heavens,
We break the silence of the peaceful night.
Divine Saviour, cast Thine eyes upon us!
Shed the light of Thy mighty grace upon us.
Let all Hell flee at the sound of Thy voice.
Dispel the slumber of a languishing soul
That leads it to the forgetting of Thy laws!

O Christ, be favorable unto this faithful people
Now gathered to bless Thee.
Receive the hymns it offers unto Thine immortal glory
And may it return laden with Thy gifts.

11:00 *All Good Gifts* arr. Landes
Chancel Choir Jake Woodson, soloist

We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land.
But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand.
He sends us snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.
All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above
So thank the Lord, oh thank the Lord for all his love.

We thank thee then, O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food,
No gifts have we to offer for all thy love imparts
But that which thou desirest, our humble thankful hearts!

***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 *Gratitude: Revisited* Dr. Tom Pace

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you would like to learn more about what it means to live and love like Jesus or if you are interested in joining St. Luke's United Methodist Church in membership, attending Coffee with the Pastor is a great next step. Please join us in the Gathering Room near the main entrance after the service to talk with one of our pastors or volunteers to learn more.

If you would like someone to pray with you, we invite you to come forward after the service to meet with one of our prayer volunteers.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** 102 *Now Thank We All Our God* NUN DANKET

***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION 11:00 *Amen* John Rutter