

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

400      *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*      NETTLETON

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION 11:00**

*Amen*      James Roman

**POSTLUDE**      *Postlude on "Ellacombe"*      Payne

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

**When Are We? Navigating the Church Calendar**

In the context of the church calendar, we are in a season called "Epiphany."

This period celebrates several landmark moments in the life of Jesus, including the visit of the Magi, the presentation of Jesus at the temple, the baptism of Jesus by John, and the Transfiguration, all leading into Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent in February. The vestments and paraments are green, which signify growth and bountifulness.

**Leading in Worship today:** Dr. Tom Pace; Rev. Bill Denham; Rev. Thomas Harper; Rev. Michelle Manuel; Madison Garcia; Daniel Breitenwischer, Scout; Caleb Ferrel, Scout Second Class.

**Acolytes:** Viane Eicken-Zelko

**Musicians:** Sid Davis, Director of Music and Fine Arts; Rob Landes, Artist-in-Residence; Randy Murrow, Associate Director of Music; James J. Roman, Associate Organist; Barbara Bamberg, Accompanist; St. Cecilia; Chancel Choir.

The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are given in celebration of the baptism of Lily Gessner Wharton by Mallory Gessner-Wharton and Josh Wharton; and in celebration of the baptism of Sadie Margaret Patterson by Skyla and Nick Patterson.

**12:05 p.m. Communion in the Chapel:** Rev. Thomas Harper

**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](mailto: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](http://StLukesMethodist.org/livestream)

To watch sermons and listen to podcasts on your computer go to: [StLukesMethodist.org/sermons](http://StLukesMethodist.org/sermons)

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



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**PRELUDE** *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* Diemer

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**  
617 *I Come with Joy* DOVE OF PEACE

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED** UMH #881 **Rev. Thomas Harper**

**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

**Sadie Margaret Patterson**

Daughter of Nicholas Andrew Patterson and Skyla Garza Patterson

11:00

**Lily Gessner Wharton**

Daughter of Joshua Aaron Wharton and Mallory Elaine Gessner-Wharton

Minister: Beloved of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care this child whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that she 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 child with a community of love and forgiveness that she may grow in her service to others. We will pray for her that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life eternal.**

**WELCOME**

**PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED LIFE AWARD** 11:00

**ANTHEM** 11:00 *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* Bach  
Chancel Choir

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright.  
Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light.  
Word of God our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned,  
Striving still to Truth unknown, soaring dying round Thy throne.

Through the way where hope is guiding, hark, what peaceful music rings,  
Where the flock in Thee confiding, drink of joy from deathless springs.  
Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure, theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure.  
Thou dost ever lead Thine own, in the love of joys unknown.

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 32:1-5 & Ephesians 4:31-32  
9:45 **Daniel Breitenwischer**  
11:00 **Caleb Ferrel**

**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** 11:00  
246 *Joy to the World* ANTIOCH

**MINISTRY MOMENT** **David Sawyer**

**OFFERTORY**  
9:45 *Instrument of Peace* Kelly-Marie Murphy  
St. Cecilia

Where there is hatred let me bring love.  
Where there is darkness let me bring light.  
Where there is sadness let me bring joy.  
Make me an instrument of peace.

Where there's uncertainty let me bring faith.  
Where there is injury let me forgive.  
Where there is hopelessness let me bring hope.  
Make me an instrument of peace.

Grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console.  
To be understood as to understand  
and to be loved but to love.

It is in giving that we receive.  
And through forgiveness we find relief.  
It is in loving that we find love.  
Make me an instrument of peace.

11:00 *The Ground* Ola Gjeilo  
Chancel Choir

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Osanna in excelsis.  
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Osanna in excelsis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
Dona nobis pacem.

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
Grant us peace.*

**\*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** *Let It Go!* **Dr. Tom Pace**  
Last in the series, *Forty Days of Joy*

**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.*