



ST. LUKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MAY 28, 2023

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DAY OF PENTECOST

MAY 28, 2023

11:00 AM

Gathering for the Word

PRELUDE

OUR LIFE TOGETHER AT ST. LUKE

Please pass the friendship books to mark your participation and to greet others in your row.

TIME OF CENTERING AND STILLNESS

CHORAL INTROIT “Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come to Jesus, you who are thirsty.

All: Alleluia.

One: Drink deeply of the Holy Spirit.

All: Alleluia.

One: Let your heart overflow with the living water that renews the face of the earth.

All: Alleluia. Thanks be to God.

† HYMN #289 “On Pentecost They Gathered”

† CALL TO CONFESSION

† SILENT CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new creation, we confess that we have failed to trust your bountiful goodness. By the power of your Holy Spirit, you brought forth the earth and its creatures in abundance. Yet, we hoard the earth’s resources and refuse to share your gifts. We dishonor your generosity by withholding our charity to those in need. We betray your kindness by dealing harshly with our enemies. We disregard your compassion by severely judging the sins of others. Forgive us. By the power of your Spirit, renew our hearts and free us from sin that we may enjoy the fullness of your blessing upon all creation. Amen.

† CHORAL REQUEST FOR PARDON “Lord, Have Mercy”

† ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: Sisters and brothers, God offers forgiveness of our sins and the grace of repentance.

Accept this good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

† GLORIA PATRI #582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, / and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. / As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. / World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. / As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WORDS WITH GOD’S CHILDREN

Hearing of the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mary Holmlund

FIRST READING

1 CORINTHIANS 12:3-13

Pew Bible Page 999

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“Go Ye”

Chancel Choir

SECOND READING

ACTS 2:1-21

Pew Bible Page 948

One: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Better Red than Dead”

Elder Phillip Periman

Responding to the Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Excerpted from *Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

† HYMN #295 “Go to the World!”

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERING

Please, place your tithe/offering in the plate as it is passed, text GIVE to 806-631-6253, or use this link to give online. <https://www.stlukeamarillo.com/tithe/>

† SONG OF THANKSGIVING *Doxology*

Praise God whose breath fills all the earth; / Whose love reveals our secret worth;
Whose Spirit forms one family; / Whose grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

One: Almighty God, we have opened our hands to you, and our hands have been filled with good things.

All: **Receive the gifts we bring in gratitude for your care for us and use them for blessings in your world.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER “*debts*” and “*debtors*”

† HYMN #744 “Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

† OUR MISSIONAL STATEMENT

As the people of St. Luke Presbyterian Church, we offer to God our “hands of service, hands of faith, and open hands of love.” Holy Spirit, unite us in this calling and send us forth to serve.

WANT TO KNOW MORE about St. Luke or to formally unite with us? See Ruling Elder Doug Tanner by the announcement screen in the hallway after worship or contact an Elder during the week.

† CHARGE and BENEDICTION

† CHORAL RESPONSE “Threefold Amen”

† POSTLUDE

† Stand as you are able.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Filling the pulpit	Elder Phillip Periman
Liturgist	Mary Holmlund
Children’s sermon	Phillip Periman
Greeters	Jennifer Denham and Donna Clopton

MUSIC

St. Luke Chancel Choir
Dr. Robert Hansen, Director of Music
Mila Abbasova, Organist

SOURCES AND CREDITS: The liturgy for this service is from *Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 1*. Hymn tune name—as well as composers of the music and authors of the text—are listed in *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS | May 28, 2023

Welcome to St. Luke! As you silence your cell phone before the service begins, please take a moment to sign our digital attendance book using this QR code. ↓

SUNDAY, MAY 28

- 9:30 a.m. **Coffee & Fellowship** – Thank you to Ann Hefner for providing the donuts.
- 9:40 a.m. **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
- ~~9:45 a.m.~~ **No Adult Sunday School Class** (summer break)
- 11:00 a.m. **Worship Service** (Streamed on Facebook as well.)
No Children's Church until fall.



MONDAY, MAY 29 – *Memorial Day*

The church office will be closed in observance of the holiday.

TUESDAY, MAY 30

- 10:00 a.m. **Exercise Group**
- 7:00 p.m. **Farkle Group**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

- 6:00 p.m. **GAP Game Night** – The Hadleys will be hosting and providing dinner.

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

- 10:00 a.m. **Exercise Group**
- 2:00 p.m. **Threads of Love Ministry**
- 4:00 p.m. **Personnel Committee Meeting**

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 – Trinity Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. **Coffee & Fellowship**
- ~~9:45 a.m.~~ **No Adult Sunday School Class**
- 10:15 a.m. **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
- 11:00 a.m. **Worship Service** (Streamed on Facebook as well.)
Elder David Kemp will fill the pulpit.
Communion will be celebrated.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: On *Sunday, June 4* the Amarillo United Methodist Community Group will have a called church meeting in our fellowship hall from 10:30 to approximately 12:30. This is a very important meeting with their entire congregation. After our worship service, please exit through other doors to avoid disturbing their meeting.

The Office Administrator will be on vacation *through June 2*. Susan Barnes and Helen Thorsheim are managing office operations during this time. Thank you to these two ladies for filling in when needed so that Melissa can have some time off!

Do you have a **May birthday**? The Endowment Committee encourages you to celebrate your birthday and the church together by donating the amount of your age. Your gift is added to St. Luke's Perpetual Endowment Fund to continue the mission of the church in years to come.

June 4 will be “**Mesa Verde Sunday**” at St. Luke. You are encouraged to bring facial tissue, lip balm, or disinfecting wipes to contribute to our Partners in Education school, Mesa Verde Elementary. The Mission Committee sponsors this ongoing drive.

A **Confirmation Class** has been scheduled to begin on *June 11*. Any students, 6th grade and up, are invited to attend. If you would like more information, please contact Kary Wingo.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Congratulations to **Tom Heyde** who received a Texas Panhandle Quilt of Honor on Saturday at the Texas Panhandle War Memorial Center! Thank you to Tom and all of our veterans for your service to our country.

❖ **Dan Daniel**, recovery from heart surgery.

Continue to remember those with COVID-19 and also Dorothy Baggerly; Lois Ball; Rev. Bob Carson; Andy Chambers (Steve Parker’s husband); Lucille Dunn; Leslie Hadley (Kyle’s mom); Margaret Heyde; Tom Heyde; Sarah Kangerga; Kennedy Malone; Roger Osburn; Aaron Parker; Dennis Phelps (Melissa Shields’ father); Donna Phipps; Marilyn Shillings; Tim Sougstad; Rev. Karl Travis; Alexa, Wesley, and baby-on-the-way Wingo; Dr. Stephen and Diana Wright; the St. Luke Session; the Pastor Nominating Committee; the staff and residents at Amarillo Children’s Home; the people of our sister church Johnson Chapel A.M.E.; Glenda Moore (Kind House Ukraine Bakery); our participants and helpers at Laundry Love; and the students, teachers, and staff at Mesa Verde Elementary School.

St. Luke is currently in transition between installed pastors.

Barbara Taylor 2023 Clerk of Session

Helen Thorsheim 2023 Treasurer

Melissa Shields Office Administrator

Dr. Robert Hansen Director of Music

Mila Abbasova Organist

Nicole Payne Nursery Coordinator

RULING ELDERS:

Class of 2023:

Class of 2024:

Class of 2025:

Ann Hefner, Camille Hoy, Bob McCracken, Doug Tanner
Jennifer Denham, Kendra Jones, Tim Lacey, Cruse Messer
Ross Clopton, Robert Hansen, Barbara Taylor, Kary Wingo



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