



# *St. Luke Presbyterian Church*

APRIL 21, 2024

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 2024

11:00 AM

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Gathering for the Word

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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

INTROIT \_\_\_\_\_ “You Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd”

† CALL TO WORSHIP – *based on Psalm 23*

One: Our Good Shepherd has led us to this place.

**All: He leads us beside still waters; he restores our soul.**

One: Even though we walk through dark valleys, even though we are fearful and in need of comfort,

**All: Our cup overflows with God’s goodness and mercy; we shall dwell in the house of the Lord our whole lives long.**

† HYMN # 404 \_\_\_\_\_ “What is This Place”

† CALL TO CONFESSION

† SILENT CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Savior God, you guide us, but we are slow to follow and stubborn. You welcome us to your fold, but we make others feel as if they don’t belong. Forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment; the way we evaluate and compare, demean and degrade. Redeem us. Restore us. Help us be faithful as your flock. Amen.**

† REQUEST FOR PARDON \_\_\_\_\_ “O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

† ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: Christ forgives. Christ transforms. Christ renews. Christ leads us down the path of new beginnings.

**All: We are a new creation, ready to sing God’s glory and testify to God’s grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

† 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.**

TIME WITH GOD'S CHILDREN

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Hearing of the Word

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

PSALM 23

Pew Bible Page 476

One: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“The King of Love, My Shepherd Is”

Chancel Choir

SECOND READING

JOHN 10: 11-18

Pew Bible Pages 933-934

One: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Guidance for the Way”

Ruling Elder Tim Lacey

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Responding to the Word

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† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.**

† HYMN #187 .....

“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

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: God, you meet our needs and transform us for service.

**All: Accept these gifts as signs of our gratitude and our commitment to Christ’s ministry. Amen.**

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

† HYMN #308 ..... “O God in Whom All Life Begins”

† OUR MOTIVATIONAL AND 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 Kendra Jones by the announcement screen in the hallway after worship or contact an Elder during the week.

† CHARGE and BENEDICTION

† CHORAL RESPONSE ..... “Go Forth in Joy”

† POSTLUDE

† Stand as you are able.

WORSHIP LEADERS

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Filling the pulpit	Ruling Elder Tim Lacey
Liturgist	Mary Graff
Greeters	Kary and Eldon Wingo

MUSIC

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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, APRIL 21, 2024

- 9:30 a.m. **Coffee & Fellowship** • Thank you to Mary Holmlund for providing donuts.
- 9:45 a.m. **Adult Sunday School**
- 10:15 a.m. **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
- 11:00 a.m. **Worship Service** (Streamed on Facebook as well.)  
**Ruling Elder Tim Lacey** will fill the pulpit.  
Children are invited to Children's Church after the anthem.
- 4:00 p.m. **Stated Session Meeting**

### MONDAY, APRIL 22

- 10 & 11 a.m. **Adult Piano Classes**

### TUESDAY, APRIL 23

- 10:00 a.m. **Exercise Group**
- 7:00 p.m. **No Farkle this week- it is next week - April 30th**

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

- 8:30 a.m. **Yoga Practice**
- 6:00 p.m. **Wednesday Night Live** (AUMC providing dinner)

### THURSDAY, APRIL 25

- 10:00 a.m. **Exercise Group**
- 2:00 p.m. **Threads of Love Ministry**
- 6:00 p.m. **NO Adult Bible Study** until the fall.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 27

- 11:30 a.m. **AUMC Member Lunch** (until ~1:30 p.m.)

### SUNDAY, APRIL 28

- 9:30 a.m. **Coffee & Fellowship**
- 9:45 a.m. **Adult Sunday School**
- 10:15 a.m. **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
- 11:00 a.m. **Worship Service** (Streamed on Facebook as well.)  
Rev. Kathy Lee-Cornell, Director of the Synod of the Sun Partnership for Disaster Recovery will fill the pulpit.  
Children are invited to Children's Church after the anthem.

***ITEMS AND/OR ARTICLES FOR THE MAY NEWSLETTER ARE DUE TODAY!***

We are currently interviewing for a new part-time secretary. In the meantime, several members are helping in the office and Kaci Jones and Helen Thorsheim are doing the administrative tasks as best they can. If you have any questions, you can talk to Ross Clopton, any member of the Personnel Committee, or call the office.

Please pray for Robin Dunn, Lucille Dunn's daughter-in-law who will be having surgery on Monday due to damage from a chronic disease.

A note of celebration- Leslie Hadley, Kyle's mom, has completed her last cancer treatment and everything is looking great going forward.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Continue to remember Judy Conner; Grace Acha; Dorothy Baggerly; Joyce Baughn; Rev. Bob Carson; Andy Chambers (Steve Parker's husband); Lucille Dunn; Leslie Hadley (Kyle's mom); Margaret and Tom Heyde; Mindy Hayden; Steven Hofmann; Sarah Kangerga; Roger Osburn (Karen's husband); Aaron Parker; Dennis Phelps (Melissa Shields' father); Donna Phipps; Sharon Remling; Marilyn Shillings; Henry and Ruth Suthard; Rev. Karl Travis; 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 and Kind House Ukraine Bakery; our participants and helpers at Laundry Love; and the students, teachers, and staff at Mesa Verde Elementary School.

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*St. Luke is currently in transition between installed pastors; the pastor search is underway.*

<b>Barbara Taylor:</b>	2024 Clerk of Session	<b>Dr. Robert Hansen:</b>	Director of Music
<b>Kaci Jones:</b>	2024 Treasurer	<b>Mila Abbasova:</b>	Organist
<b>Volunteers:</b>	Office Administrator	<b>Mary McCracken:</b>	Nursery Coordinator

**RULING ELDERS:**

Class of 2024	Jennifer Denham, Kendra Jones, Tim Lacey, Cruse Messer
Class of 2025	Ross Clopton, Robert Hansen, Barbara Taylor, Kary Wingo
Class of 2026	Paige Hadley, Priscilla Sheets, Tim Sougstad, Helen Thorsheim



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