

The Order of Worship

March 17, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

We joyfully greet each other and share the gifts of friendship and love.
Please begin quiet preparation for worship as the Tolling begins.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Don Mims

OPENING HYMN NO. 488

The God of Abraham Praise
LEONI

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Listen, so that you may live: the steadfast love of the Lord never fails.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE

Please join the choir in singing

A Clean Heart

Psalm 51:10 Marvin Gaspard ASCAP

Voice

Cre-ate in me a clean heart O___ God and re-new a rightspir-ir with - in me.

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Cre-ate in me a clean heart O___ God, and re-new a right spir-it with - in me.

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 503)

Psalm 27

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Don Mims

ANTHEM

Janet Bardin, Ann Guercio, & Carol Wilson

Be Thou My Vision

Traditional Irish Hymn, arr. Dan Forest

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 77)

Luke 13:31-35

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. Dr. Bill Wade

“An Irish Saint”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 310

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee
ST. AGNES

SHARING OUR JOYS AND LIFTING OUR CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS

GIVING OUR GIFTS BACK TO GOD

The Call
David Ashley White

DOXOLOGY NO. 592

CHORAL RESPONSE

A Lenten Benediction
Marvin Gaspard

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in G minor
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)



Welcome to St. Luke's Presbyterian Church! If you are looking for a church home in Houston, we invite you to unite with St. Luke's. New members are welcomed by the Session following worship each Sunday. You may join by profession of faith and reception of baptism, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of church letter. Speak to Rev. Wade if you have any questions.

St. Luke's Nursery is available for child care during Sunday worship services and special services during the year. Care is available on Sunday's beginning at 9:00 a.m. for children through age 5. Sunday School classes are available for ages 3 and older during the Sunday School hour.

Joys and Concerns are an opportunity to share a need for prayers of thanksgiving or intercession with the congregation. You will have opportunity to mention your joys and concerns verbally at the time for Pastoral Prayer or you can fill out one of the small slips found in the pew racks and pass them to the usher during the Welcome and Announcements. To share confidential prayer requests, please hand them to Rev. Wade following the benediction.

Third Sunday Morning Mission is today: On the third Sunday of each month volunteers go to the Star of Hope Transitional Living Center at 2575 Reed Road, to assist with lunch service from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Please pray for our volunteers and the people they will serve today.

Our Lenten Devotionals, *Field Notes on the Observance of Lent*, published by Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, are available in the Narthex. Pick up your copy today to guide you through your Lenten journey.

Azalea Gala and Auction May 2: Would you like to help us sponsor a table at CCSC's Azalea Gala? A table for 10 is \$1,750. If you would like to attend and sit at St. Luke's table, please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex to let us know. Priority will be given to those who make a donation and want to attend. If you have questions, please speak to Rev. Harbison.

Workday at St. Luke's March 24th: We will have a workday to improve the church grounds next Sunday. You are welcome to join us! Wear your work clothes to church and bring along some gardening tools. There will be tools and gloves available to use if you forget yours. Lunch will be served! Speak to Annemieke Luckey for more information.

WOW (Women of the Word) is currently studying *What Matters Most* by Karen Ehman. Laura Smith guides the study. Join WOW on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in room #211. If you have any questions, call Laura at 281.381.5706.

Depression support group meets at St. Luke's: *Re:Mind* offers free and confidential support groups for individuals living with, or family and friends affected by, depression and bipolar disorders. The group meets on Mondays at 7 p.m. Brochures are in our literature rack. For more information visit their website, www.remindsupport.org, or call 713.600.1131.

Our Flower Chart: Use the flower chart in the Cookie Room to sign up to provide flowers for Sunday worship and to honor a loved one or an event in your life. Use the envelopes near the chart to include your check (\$80 for two arrangements) and to let us know how to acknowledge your gift in the bulletin.

In Response to God Activities for the Week of March 17, 2019

Today's Lectionary: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

Sunday	March 17	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am – 12:30 pm –	Church School Worship Service Refreshments & Fellowship Volunteers to Star of Hope
Monday	March 18	3 -7 pm – 7-8:30 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Re-Mind Support Group
Tuesday	March 19	10:30 am – 3-7 pm – 7 pm – 7 pm –	Pastor's Study Class Houston Dragon Academy Session Meeting Cub Scout Meeting
Wednesday	March 20	3-7 pm – 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy WOW (Women of the Word) Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	March 21	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Friday	March 22	3-7 pm – 3:00 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy "Pray Where You Are"
Saturday	March 23	9 am-6 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	March 24	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Worship Service Refreshments & Fellowship

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor.....The Rev. W. Scott Harbison
 Parish Associate The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
 Director of Music-Organist/Choirmaster Marvin Gaspard
 Music Worship Leader Ryan Klasen
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