

**In Response to God**  
**Activities for the week of September 4, 2022**

Today's Lectionary: Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Philemon 1:1-21; Luke 14:25-33

Sunday	September 4	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service
Monday	September 5	7 am –7pm – Houston Dragon Academy Church Office Closed
Tuesday	September 6	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 10 am - 2 pm – CCSC food collection
Wednesday	September 7	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	September 8	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Friday	September 9	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	September 10	9 am - 5 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 5 pm – Monarch Chamber Players
Sunday	September 11	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. W. Scott Harbison
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# The Order of Worship

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## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Please begin quiet preparation for worship as the Tolling begins.*

PRELUDE Four Flashbacks-Movement IV: *Quiet Calm*  
Kenji Bunch (b. 1973)

WELCOME AND WAVING

OPENING HYMN 361 Here I Am, Lord  
HERE I AM, LORD

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 225) Hebrews 11

REFLECTION ON THE WORD Chaplain Jim Mayer  
“Faith of the Patriarchs”

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYERS

OFFERTORY Prelude for Clarinet and Viola  
Rebecca Clarke (1886-1979)

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS Softly and Tenderly  
Janet and Randall Bardin Raymond Brown, arr. Tom Fettke

CLOSING SONG 535 Go With Us, Lord  
TALLIS' CANON

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Fugue Sur Les Jeux D'Anches  
François Couperin (1668-1733)

**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. If you would like more information, please speak to Chaplain Mayer after worship.

**Children's Sunday School** meets in Room 115 at 9 a.m. with Don Mims teaching the class. **Adult Sunday School** will resume on September 11th with Patti Ernst leading a study of the Book of Romans. Our **Youth Group** meets at 9 a.m. in the history room (#129). Both Children and Adult classes offer a virtual class alternative. Please let us know if you or your child would like to be included in the weekly Zoom invitation.

**Masks Now Optional:** Because of changes in guidance from the CDC, masks are now optional at St. Luke's.

**The flowers this morning** are given to the glory of God by Bob Patterson and in honor of his and Diane's wedding anniversary on September 6th.

**Our Guest Minister today is Jim Mayer.** Jim is Hospice Chaplain for Vitas Hospice Care and a Certified Pastor. He and his wife, Karen and their son, Drew, are members of St. Luke's. Thank you, Jim, for serving today and to Drew for livestreaming the service.

**Our musical guests today** are Rebecca Tobin, clarinet, and Tonya Burton, viola, members of Monarch Chamber Players. They are sharing their gifts today as a preview of their upcoming concert at St. Luke's. Thank you, Rebecca and Tonya, and welcome to St. Luke's.

**Monarch Chamber Players** will continue their concert residency at St. Luke's on Saturday, September 10th at 5:00 p.m. Their repertoire will include Clara Schumann's "Romances," Kenji Bunch's "Four Flashbacks," August Klughardt's 5 Schilflieder, Op, 28, and Valerie Coleman's "Portraits of Langston." The performers will include Douglas DeVries (flute), Claire Kostic (oboe), Rebecca Tobin (clarinet), Tonya Burton (viola) and Yvonne Chen (piano). The concert is free to attend, with donations accepted on site to support the performers.

**Our Chancel Choir** is on a well deserved vacation. We look forward to the choir's return next Sunday. We appreciate our wonderful musicians who have shared their talents with us during the choir's absence.

**The church office** will be closed tomorrow for the Labor Day holiday.

**Montrose Street Reach on September 15th:** On the third Thursday of each month St. Luke's serves with Montrose Street Reach to provide a meal and minister to people experiencing homelessness in the Montrose area. If you can provide brownies or cookies or would like to volunteer to serve, call Jeanne Leach at 713.409.0997.

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