Jazz Communion

July 2, 2023

Please begin quiet preparation for worship as the Prelude begins.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE I'll Fly Away

Albert E. Brumley (1905-1977)

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT I'm Gonna Sing

Traditional Spiritual, arr. Marvin Gaspard

OPENING HYMN 280

Amazing Grace

AMAZING GRACE

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE 587 Amen

African American Spiritual

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (NT page 175)

1 Corinthians 13

VOLUNTARY

I Will Arise

Walker's Southern Harmony, arr. Thomas Coker

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade

"Vicky and Her Puppy"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†APOSTLE'S CREED

Hymnal p. 14

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS

OFFERTORY

Janet Bardin, soloist

His Eye Is on the Sparrow Charles H. Gabriel (1856-1932)

DOXOLOGY 485

To God Be the Glory Refrain only

COMMUNION HYMN 513

LET US BREAK BREAD

Let Us Break Bread Together

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Minister: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The prayer continues...

The congregation sings...



DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS (Please join in singing the hymn medley below)

Kum ba Yah

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah! Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah! Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah! Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah!

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

Refrain:

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee. (Refrain)

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more: Guide me gently, safely o'er to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore. (Refrain)

I've Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.

l've got love like an ocean, l've got love like an ocean, l've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.

l've got love like an ocean, l've got love like an ocean, l've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

When the Saints Go Marchin' In African American Spiritual

I am just a weary pilgrim, plodding thru this world of sin; Getting ready for that city, when the saints go marching in.

Refrain:

O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in. O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

My father loved the Savior, what a soldier he had been! But his steps will be more steady, when the saints go marching in. Refrain

And mother, may God bless her, I can see her now, as then; With a robe of white around her, when the saints go marching in.

Refrain

Up there I'll see the Savior who redeemed my soul from sin. With extended hands he'll greet me when the saints go marching in.

Refrain

POSTLUDE

Goodbye, World, Goodbye Mosie Lister (1921-2018)

S'Wonderful George Gershwin (1898-1937)

> Cherokee Ray Noble (1903-1978)

THE MARVIN GASPARD TRIO

Marvin Gaspard, piano

Aric Nitzberg, bass

Glen Renfro, percussion

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. Speak to Rev. Wade if you have any questions.

Joys and Concerns are an opportunity to share a need for prayers of thanksgiving or intercession with the congregation. You will have an opportunity to mention your joys and concerns verbally at the time for Pastoral Prayer.

Sunday School: Children's Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. in Room 115 with Don Mims teaching the class. **The Adult Sunday School** class is meeting for fellowship and coffee at 9 a.m. in the Library during the summer months. Everyone is invited to join them! **Our Youth Group** meets at 9 a.m. in Room 129. Children and adult classes offer a virtual class alternative. Please let us know if you would like to receive a Zoom invitation.

Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Bill Wade to the pulpit! We are excited to have you back with us today while Rev. Harbison is away. Bill and Carol moved to California in 2022. He is happy to be visiting at St. Luke's on this special July 4th weekend and appreciates the warm welcome from the congregation. Welcome back to St. Luke's, Bill.

The flowers in our sanctuary today are given by Patti Ernst to the glory of God and in thanks for our Jazz Communion service and the opportunity for our church family to gather for worship and lunch today.

Today marks the 22nd year of our Jazz Communion service! The toe-tappin', finger-snappin', hand-clappin' music of the Marvin Gaspard Trio will lift your spirits and put a smile on your face!

Our All American Picnic Lunch is back this year! There will be hotdogs with all the trimmings, salads, and desserts. You will have a choice of a variety of hotdogs and hotdog buns. Everyone is invited to the "Picnic", please join us for lunch and fellowship after worship.

Capital Campaign News: The campaign's goal of \$100,000 to replace the church roof is underway. We are off to a good start with commitments of approximately 25% of our goal received last week. Please prayerfully consider your donation or pledge and respond at your earliest convenience. If you did not receive a Capital Campaign letter, you can find them on the table outside the sanctuary.

Calling all CCSC Back To School Friends! \$75 provides a back to school student with school supplies, a backpack and a clothing/shoe gift card. Donations of any amount are appreciated—each dollar will help serve a child in need. Give online at www.ccschouston.org or make your check payable to St. Luke's and place it in the collection plate. Please write "Back to School" on the notation line.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC was established to help provide special instrumental and vocal guests throughout the year, and to supplement funding for our choir section leaders. Tax deductible gifts may be given in honor or memory of loved ones, or in celebration of birthdays, anniversaries, and special milestone events. You may make your check payable to St. Luke's Presbyterian Church and include "Friends of Music" on the memo line. For more information contact Marvin Gaspard at migaspard@sbcglobal.net or 713.667.6531 ext.103.

IN RESPONSE TO GOD

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 2, 2023

Lectionary: Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13; Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42

Sunday	July 2	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Jazz Communion All American Indoor Picnic
			Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	July 3	7 :30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	July 4		4th of July holiday
Wednesday	July 5	7 :30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	July 6	7:30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Friday	July 7	7:30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	July 8	9 am–6 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	July 9	9:00 am –	Church School
		10:00 am –	Worship
		11:00 am –	Refreshments & Fellowship Chancel Choir Rehearsal

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

PastorThe Rev. W. Scott Harbison
Parish Associate The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
Director of Music-Organist/ChoirmasterMarvin Gaspard
Business Manager
Assistant to Head of Staff
Artists in Residence Sarah Bunk, Ann Guercio, & Laura Smith



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