

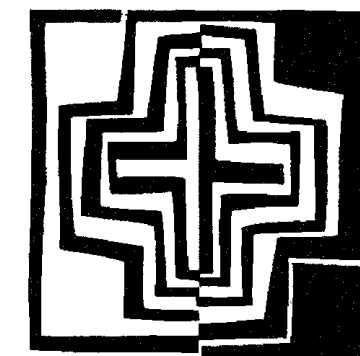
In Response to God  
 Activities for the Week of February 4, 2024

Today's Lectionary: Isaiah 40:21-31; Psam 147:1-11; 1 Corinthians 9:6-23; Mark 1:2-39

Sunday	February 4	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service/Communion Congregational Meeting 11:00 am – Refreshments & Fellowship Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	February 5	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	February 6	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 10 am-2 pm – CCSC Food Collection 4 pm – Strength Training Class
Wednesday	February 7	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	February 8	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 4 pm – Strength Training Class
Friday	February 9	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	February 10	9 am-5 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	February 11	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service 11:00 am – Super Bowl of Caring & Soup Lunch Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Save the date:	February 13	6-7:30 pm – Jazz in the Parking Lot & Fish Fry

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

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

February 4, 2024

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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

PRELUDE As the Deer  
Micah Sanders, cello Martin J. Nystrom, arr. Marvin Gaspard

WELCOME

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

✦ OPENING HYMN 257 Give Praise to the Lord  
LAUDATE DOMINUM

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**Congregation: Thanks Be to God**

### HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 668) Isaiah 40:21-31  
Reading today, Ed Nicklas

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 35) Mark 1:29-39

REFLECTION ON THE WORD Rev. W. Scott Harbison  
“It’s more than about Christmas”

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ APOSTLE’S CREED Hymnal p. 14  
Traditional

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 Honor and Glory BWV 10  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

✦ DOXOLOGY 59

✦ HYMN OF PREPARATION 5 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence  
PICARDY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

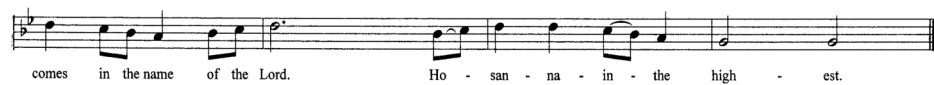
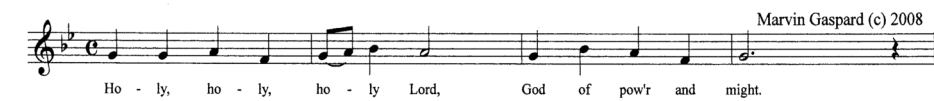
People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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 ELEMENTS Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts  
Henry Baker (1835-1910), arr. Marvin Gaspard

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE Go with Us, Lord  
Thomas Tallis (1895-1964)

✦ BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

POSTLUDE Fugue sur les Jeux D’Anches  
François Couperin (1668-1733)

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**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. Harbison 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. **Adult Sunday School** meets at 9 a.m. in the Library and is currently studying the Gospel of Luke. **Our Youth Group** meets every other Sunday. The next meeting is February 11th at 9 a.m.

**A Congregational Meeting** will be held after worship today for the purpose of receiving and approving the 2023 Annual Report. Copies are available in the narthex.

**Our guest today is cellist, Micah Sanders.** He is a 2020 graduate of Wheaton College with a Bachelor of Music degree in cello performance, and is currently enrolled in an accelerated nursing program at the University of St. Thomas. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us, Micah, and welcome back to St. Luke’s!

**Jazz in the Parking Lot & Fish Fry on February 13:** The Marvin Gaspard Trio will provide the jazz tunes and Catfish on Wheels will provide their delicious catfish/shrimp dinner. Invite your neighbors to join you for an evening of live music, dinner, and Mardi Gras fun.

**The Souper Bowl of Caring** empowers youth and unites communities to tackle hunger using the energy of the Super Bowl. It’s vision is to transform the Big Game into a nationwide movement, inspiring people to make a collective impact on hunger. On **Super Bowl Sunday, February 11th**, our Youth will be accepting your donations of non-perishable items and monetary donations. 100% of the collection will go to CCSC’s food pantry to serve the needs of their clients.

**Soup Lunch next Sunday, February 11:** Stay after worship and enjoy a Soup Lunch, with a selection of soups, salads, breads, and desserts. Please contact the church office or speak to Jeanne Leach if you can provide something for lunch or need more information.

**Youth Conclaves 2024:** Youth grades 6-12 will gather for Conclaves the weekend of February 23-25 at Trinity Pines Conference Center. The mission project this year is creating affirmation mirrors. Youth attending are asked to bring along some items to decorate the mirrors. Check your collections of craft and art supplies for any unused items such as sequins, pom-poms, stickers, paint markers and fun paper and drop them off at the church by Sunday, February 18th.

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