

In Response to God

Activities for the Week of March 3, 2024

*Today's Lectionary: Exodus 20:1-17, Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

Sunday	March 3	9:00 am –	Church School
		10:00 am –	Worship Service
		11:00 am –	Fellowship & Refreshments
			Chancel Choir Rehearsal
		4:00 pm –	Zane Mallette Harp Recital
Monday	March 4	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	March 5	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
		10 am-2 pm –	CCSC Food Collection
		4:00 pm –	Strength Training Class
Wednesday	March 6	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	March 7	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Friday	March 8	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	March 9	9 am-5 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	March 10	9:00 am –	Church School
		10:00 am –	Worship Service
		11:00 am –	Refreshments & Fellowship
			Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Save the date:	March 28	7:00 pm –	Maundy Thursday Service
	March 29	7:00 pm –	Good Friday Service
	March 30	11:00 am –	Easter Egg Hunt
	March 31	10:00 am –	Easter Sunday

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

PastorThe Rev. W. Scott Harbison
 Parish Associate..... The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
 Director of Music-Organist/ChoirmasterMarvin Gaspard
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The Order of Worship

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THIRD 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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

✦ OPENING HYMN 361 How Firm a Foundation
FOUNDATION

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PEOPLE'S RESPONSE 572 Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us
Please join the choir in singing

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 166) 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
Reading today, Steve or Lilly Hurysz

ANTHEM Wonderful, Merciful Savior
Dawn Rodgers & Eric Wyse

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 93) John 2:13-22

REFLECTION ON THE WORD Rev. W. Scott Harbison
"Strange Days"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN OF RESPONSE 84 In the Cross of Christ I Glory
RATHBURN

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS/LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional) Hymnal p. 161

OFFERTORY Amazing Grace
Virginia Harmony, 1831, arr. Dick Bolks

✦ DOXOLOGY 592

✦ PRAYER

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE May the Grace of Christ Our Savior
Witt's Psalm Sacra, 1715, arr. Marvin Gaspard

✦ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
WESTMINSTER ABBEY Henry Purcell (1659-1695)



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 at 9 a.m.

Today's flowers are given by David and Loretta Elledge to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Truitt Elledge's 13th birthday.

Lenten Devotionals, *Hope's Lament*, are available in the Narthex today. The devotions contain reflections for each Wednesday in Lent, written by faculty and Austin Seminary graduates. A new feature this year is a QR code that links you to video or music appropriate to the day's devotional. Pick up your copy today to guide you through your Lenten journey.

Refreshments and Fellowship after worship are long standing traditions at St. Luke's, giving us an opportunity to get acquainted and share church and family news. If you are visiting St. Luke's, please join us after worship in Room #123 and discover one of St. Luke's greatest assets . . . the warm friendliness of our church family.

Daylight Savings Time begins next Sunday. Please make sure to set your clocks one hour ahead Saturday night.

Harp Recital at St. Luke's today: Zane Mallett, 2023 Milligan Competition Collegiate Winner, will be in recital at St. Luke's Sunday, March 3, at 4:00 p.m. Applauded by judges for his "elegantly nuanced playing", the recital highlights five original compositions for the harp in addition to selections by classical composers.

St. Luke's will assist Montrose Street Reach on Thursday, March 21, with their monthly meal for the homeless in the Montrose area. We contribute the desserts to the meal and our homemade desserts are always appreciated. If you can provide brownies or cookies or would like to volunteer to serve, call Jeanne Leach (713.409.0997).

The Flower Calendar: If you would like to provide flowers for our Sanctuary, please choose a Sunday and add your name to the calendar. Use the envelopes provided to enclose your check (\$100 for two arrangements) and let us know how to acknowledge your gift.
