# In Response to God

## Activities for the Week of June 29, 2025

Today's Lectionary: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 and Ps. 77:1-2, 11-20; Gal. 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

Sunday	June 29	9:00 am 10:00 am	Church School Worship Service
		11:00 am	Refreshments & Fellowship
Monday	June 30	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	July 1	3-7 pm 4 pm	Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training
Wednesday	July 2	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	July 3	3-7 pm 4 pm	Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training
Friday	July 4	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	July 5	9 am-5 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	July 6	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Church School Worship Service Refreshments & Fellowship

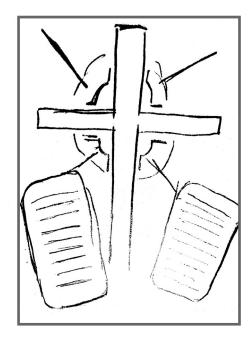
### ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. W. Scott Harbison		
Parish Associate	The Rev. Laureen Suba		
Parish Associate	The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade		
Director of Music-Organist/Choirmaster	Marvin Gaspard		
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St. Luke's Presbyterian Church June 29, 2025

## The Order of Worship

June 29, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE Grazioso

Laura Smith, harp Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767)

arr. Daniel Burton

♦WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

**†**OPENING HYMN 466

AZMON

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Congregation: Thanks Be to God.

#### **HEARING THE WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 332)

Reading today, Kenneth Russell

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

**VOLUNTARY** 

Largo from *Xerxes* George Frederic Handel (1685-1759)

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 70)

Luke 9:51-62

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. W. Scott Harbison

"Inevitable"

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**†**HYMN OF RESPONSE 326 MORECAMBE Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERN

PASTORAL PRAYERS/LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional) Hymnal p. 16

**OFFERTORY** 

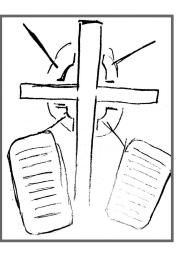
Deep River African American Spiritual arr. Daniel Burton

**†**DOXOLOGY 592

**†**BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Psalm XIX Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)



This beautiful cross was drawn by Matthew O'Brien. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us Matthew. 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 after worship if you have any questions.

**Children's Sunday School** meets at 9 a.m. in Rm 115 with Don Mims. **Adult Sunday School** meets at 9 a.m. in the Library. **Youth Group** meets every other Sunday at 9 a.m. with Rev. Harbison leading the group.

Adult Sunday School: Will be starting a new study and discussion based on Wm. Barclay's book, "Love. What the Bible Tells Us About Christian Love." You are invited to join the class each Sunday.

**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 these verbally at the time for Pastoral Prayer.

**The flowers today** are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for Marvin Gaspard and the Choir, who sing the words of the Lord's love and guidance, and move our hearts through sublime music by the Dickinson Family.

The Montrose Street Reach The upcoming service date is July 17. Please let Jeanne Leach (713.409.0997) know if you would like to bring a dessert or help serve.

**St. Luke's** will be having a Fifth Sunday Focus on Food collection for CCSC on June 29th. Grocery bags will be located at the entrance to the sanctuary and will be collected on the 29th. Additionally, CCSC is asking for can openers to be donated as well.

**Grace Bags:** St. Luke's is asking for supplies for grace bags. Please consider donating: 8 oz. bottles of water, peanut butter crackers, juice packs, granola bars, fruit cups, and/or Vienna sausages. Please contact the assistant to the pastor for more information.

**Drop by the Cookie Room** after worship today and enjoy refreshments and fellowship. If you would like to provide cookies for an upcoming Sunday, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Cookie Room. **Cookies today** are provided by the Mims family

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

**Serving as the Sunday Liturgist** is an easy way to participate in the church community. Please sign up in the Narthex.

Worship services on YouTube: Our Sunday worship services are live-streamed, recorded, and stored on our YouTube channel (St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, Houston). Subscribe to be notified of new uploads.

Chancel Choir is officially on vacation! We appreciate the dedication and commitment of our choir and look forward to their return to the loft on Sunday August 10th! During their absence, soloists, ensembles, and guest musicians will be a part of worship.

**Church Office** will be closed on Thursday, July 3rd to observe Independence Day. Office will reopen Monday, July 7th.