

In Response to God
Activities for the Week of September 21, 2025

Today's Lectionary: Jer. 8:18-9:1 and Ps. 79:1-9; 1 Tim. 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

Sunday	September 21	9:00 am	Church School
		10:00 am	Worship Service
		11:00 am	Refreshments & Fellowship
			Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	September 22	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	September 23	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
		4 pm	Strength Training
Wednesday	September 24	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	September 25	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
		4 pm	Strength Training
Friday	September 26	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	September 27	9 am-5 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	September 28	9:00 am	Church School
		10:00 am	Worship Service
		11:00 am	Refreshments & Fellowship
			Chancel Choir Rehearsal

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

PastorThe Rev. W. Scott Harbison
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Parish Associate..... The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
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..... Sarah Bunk, Ann Guercio, Don Mims & Laura Smith

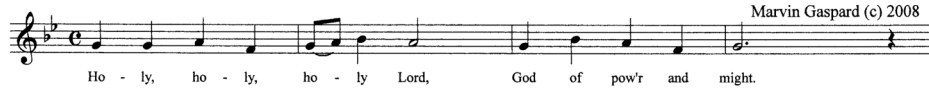
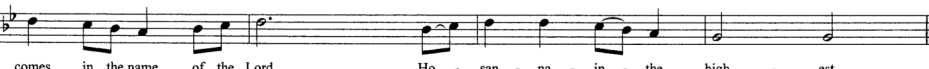


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The Order of Worship			SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS		
September 21, 2025			PASTORAL PRAYERS		
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST			OFFERTORY		
GATHERING AROUND THE WORD			Order My Steps In Your Word Glenn Burleigh, arr. Jack Schrader		
PRELUDE			✠DOXOLOGY 592		
Amanda Thorp, piano			✠HYMN OF PREPARATION 391		
Breathe			HENDON		
Marie Barnett, arr. Jay Rouse			Take My Life		
✠WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE			SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER		
✠OPENING HYMN 229			Minister: The Lord be with you		
From All That Dwell Below the Skies			People: And also with you.		
LAST UNS ERFREUEN			Minister: Lift up your hearts!		
CONFESSON OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS			People: We lift them up to the Lord.		
Congregation: Thanks Be to God.			Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.		
HEARING THE WORD			People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.		
SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 709)			The prayer continues...		
Jeremiah 8:18-9:1			The congregation sings...		
Liturgist, Kenneth Russell					
SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 79)					
REFLECTION ON THE WORD					
Rev. W. Scott Harbison			DISTRI­BUTION OF ELEM­ENTS		
“A Long Day’s Journey into Light”			✠CHORAL RESPONSE		
RESPONDING TO THE WORD			Amen from <i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>		
✠APOSTLE’S CREED			Peter Lutkin (1858-1931)		
Hymnal p. 14 (Traditional)			✠BENEDICTION		
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.			POSTLUDE		
			AURELIA		
			The Church’s One Foundation		
			Samuel Wesley (1810-1876)		
			arr. Gerre Hancock (1932-2012)		
			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. Youth Group meets every other Sunday at 9 a.m. with Rev. Harbison leading the group.		
			Adult Sunday School Class will focus, beginning on Sept. 7, on Gifts of the Holy Spirit that are abilities given by God to believers to help build up the church and serve others. Class members will lead studies and discussion of the gifts which are identified in I Corinthians 12: wisdom, knowledge, discernment, faith, miracles, healing, tongues, interpretation of tongues, and prophecy. We invite you to join us each Sunday at 9:00 a. m. in the Library for our study and discussion.		
			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.		
			Spirits and Spirituality: Join us for an opportunity to enjoy fellowship and dinner and participate in lively conversation on a topic of faith. Rev. Harbison will introduce a contemporary topic and lead the discussion. Join us on Tuesday, September 23rd at 6:30pm at Bayou City 4712 Richmond Ave., Houston, TX 77027. We hope to see you there for fellowship!		
			The Montrose Street Reach: The upcoming service date is October 16th. Let Jeanne Leach (713.409.0997) know if you would like to bring a dessert or help serve.		
			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.		
			Church Work Day will take place on Sunday October 12th after service. Please join us to help preserve the beauty of St. Luke’s!		
			Drop by the Cookie Room: 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 Linda Wiley.		
			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.		