In Response to God

Activities for the Week of October 19, 2025

Today's Lectionary: Jer. 31:27-34 and Ps. 119:97-104; 2 Tim. 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

Sunday	October 19	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Church School Worship Service Refreshments & Fellowship Church Work Day Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	October 20	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	October 21	3-7 pm 4 pm	Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training
Wednesday	October 22	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	October 23	3-7 pm 4 pm	Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training
Friday	October 24	3-7 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	October 25	9 am-5 pm	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	October 26	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Church School Worship Service Refreshments & Fellowship Chancel Choir Rehearsal

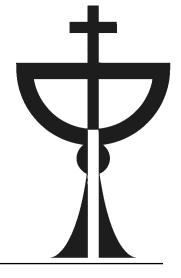
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Parish Associate	The Rev. Laureen Suba		
Parish Associate	The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade		
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St. Luke's Presbyterian Church October 19, 2025

The Order of Worship

October 19, 2025

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Laura Smith, harp

Prelude in C Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) Charles Gounod (1818,1893)

\$WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN 376
HYFRYDOL

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Congregation: Thanks Be to God.

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 735) Liturgist, Marty Moore Jeremiah 31:27-34

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 81)

Luke 18:1-8

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. W. Scott Harbison

"The Times They Are A-Changin"

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 RICHMOND O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing arr. Gordon Young (1919-1998)

♦DOXOLOGY 592

♦COMMUNION HYMN 326

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

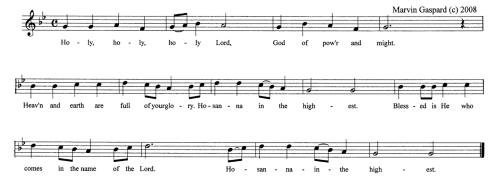
SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

†CHORAL RESPONSE

Shalom, Chaverim! Farewell, Good Friends, arr. Marvin Gaspard

Israeli Round

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fugue in G minor Jean Jacques Beauvarlet-Charpentier (1734-1794) 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 in September, 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.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and for breast cancer awareness in honor of survivors Lusarnie (Carmen) and Zulin Hodgson by Luanne Hodgson.

The Montrose Street Reach: The upcoming service date is November 20th. 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 **today** after service. If you are able to help, please join us to help preserve the beauty of St. Luke's!

Longfellow Elementary Trunk and Treat & Fall Festive is on Friday October 24th 3:30-7:00pm. Please contact Alana (713.667.6531) if you would like to volunteer at the event or prepare baked goods.

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 the Dickinson 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.