

In Response to God
Activities for the Week of November 2, 2025
Today's Lectionary: Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4 and Ps. 119:137-144; 2 Thess. 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10

Sunday	November 2	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Worship Service Refreshments and Fellowship Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	November 3	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	November 4	3-7 pm – 4 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training Class
Wednesday	November 5	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	November 6	3-7 pm – 4 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training Class
Friday	November 7	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	November 8	9 am-5 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	November 9	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Worship Service Refreshments & Fellowship Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Save the Date:	November 23	after worship	Thanksgiving Lunch
	November 26	5:00pm orientation	Montrose Thanksgiving Dinner
	November 9&16	after worship	The Elledge Toy Store
	December 14	after worship	Grace Bag Day

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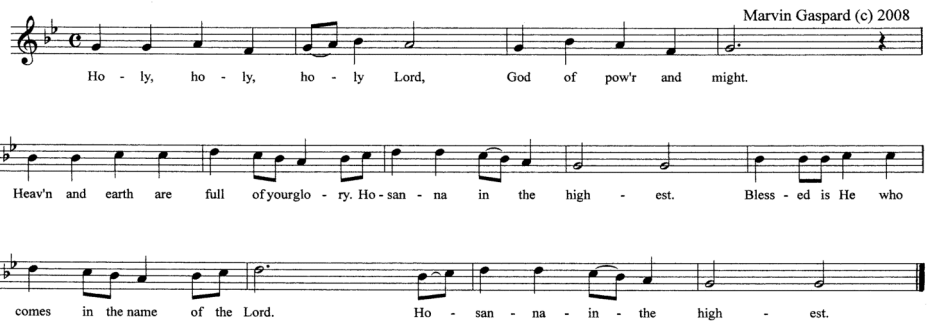
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The Order of Worship November 2, 2025 ALL SAINT’S SUNDAY		SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS	
GATHERING AROUND THE WORD		PASTORAL PRAYER	
PRELUDE Micah Sanders, cello		OFFERTORY Deep River Traditional, arr. Marvin Gaspard	
✦WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE		✦DOXOLOGY 592	
✦OPENING HYMN 526 SINE NOMINE		✦HYMN OF PREPARATION 508 For the Bread Which You Have Broken KINGDOM	
CONFESSON OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Congregation: Thanks be to God.		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...	
TIME OF REMEMBRANCE We remember and honor those loved ones who entered the Church Triumphant in the last year. Susan Horton Carlos Ortiz			
HEARING THE WORD		COMMUNION VOLUNTARY Fairest Lord Jesus Charles Forsberg	
SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 570) Liturgist, Steve Hurysz		✦PEOPLE’S RESPONSE TALLIS’ CANON Go with Us, Lord Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)	
VOLUNTARY Janet Bardin, soprano “Grant rest, O God, to all your saints, who sleep eternally in the palm of Thy hand. The heavenly hosts sing, ‘Alleluia!’”		✦BENEDICTION	
SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 82) Rev. W. Scott Harbison		POSTLUDE Fugue in C Major BWV 553 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)	
REFLECTION ON THE WORD “A Wee Dram”			
RESPONDING TO THE WORD			
✦APOSTLE’S CREED Hymnal p. 14 (Traditional)			

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 in honor of Lillian Gillespie and Charles Thomas, who helped open a door to the church for us by Steve Herysz.

Today is All Saints’ Sunday, a time to rejoice in all who through the ages have faithfully served the Lord. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living, communion of saints. Today we will hear the names of loved ones who passed away in the last year and hear a solemn toll after each name. The toll reminds us that God was with the faithful of the past and we are reassured that God is with us today, moving us and all creation toward God’s end in time.

The Montrose Street Reach: The upcoming service date is **November 20**. Let Jeanne Leach (713.409.0997) know if you would like to bring a dessert or help serve.

Fifth Sunday Food Focus: St. Luke’s will be having a fifth Sunday food focus on food collection for CCSC on **November 30th** Grocery bags will be located at the entrance to the sanctuary starting in November and will be collected on **November 30th**.

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.

The rose on the Table is given in celebration of the birth of our newest family member, Hudson Hugh Waldrop.

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.

Our Guest musician is cellist, Micah Sanders. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us, Micah, and welcome back to St. Luke’s!

Montrose Street Reach Thanksgiving Dinner November 26: MSR is looking for volunteers to help wait tables on Wednesday **November 26th**. Orientation begins at **5:00pm** and the dinner will begin at **6:00pm**. Please contact Jeanne Leach for any questions or if you would like to sign up to help.

The Elledge Toy Store: David and Lorretta Elledge set up their toy store every year to make toy selection for Jingle Bell Express convenient for you. You can shop on Sundays, **November 9th and 16th**, and add it to the donation box. The Elledges will drop off toys on **November 18th**, however you can drop off donations at Bellaire United Methodist Church on Monday, **December 8th** for distribution at the Jingle Bell Express event **December 12th & 13th**.

Grace Bags: St. Luke’s will be preparing 300 Grace Bags for the Street Reach Christmas Backpack Project. We are requesting donations of: granola bars, fruit cups, juice boxes/pouches, cans of Vienna sausage, snack crackers, and 8oz water bottles. All donations need to be turned in by **December 7th**. Please also consider staying after service on **December 14th** to help assemble grace bags for delivery to Montrose Street Reach.