

In Response to God
Activities for the Week of November 9, 2025

Today's Lectionary: Hag. 1:15b-2:9 & Ps. 145:1-5, 17-21 or Ps. 98; 2 Thess. 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38

Sunday	November 9	9:00 am –	Church School
		10:00 am –	Worship Service
		11:00 am –	Refreshments and Fellowship
			Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	November 10	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	November 11	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
		4 pm –	Strength Training Class
Wednesday	November 12	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	November 13	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
		4 pm –	Strength Training Class
Friday	November 14	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	November 15	9 am-5 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	November 16	9:00 am –	Church School
		10:00 am –	Worship Service
		11:00 am –	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

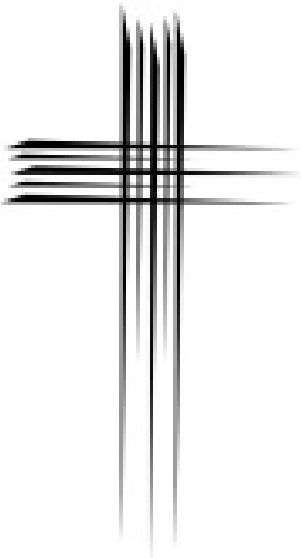
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The Order of Worship

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENECOST

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE 322 Spirit of the Living God
LIVING GOD

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

OFFERTORY Just As I Am
arr. Mark Hayes

DOXOLOGY 592

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE This Little Light of Mine
arr. Mark Hayes

PRELUDE My Lord, What a Morning
Amanda Thorp, pianist Spiritual arr. Cindy Berry

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN 416 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
WESTMINSTER ABBEY

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS
Congregation: Thanks Be to God.

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 206) 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
Liturgist, Ed Dickinson

ANTHEM Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Nathan Thorp, soloist William Runyan
arr. Duane Funderburk

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 84) Luke 20:27-38

REFLECTION ON THE WORD Rev. W. Scott Harbison

“One Bride for Seven Brothers”

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 the members and staff of St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church by Marty Moore.

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 Laura Smith.

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.

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.

Stewardship Packets were mailed out this week. If you are not on St. Luke’s mailing list, extra packets can be found on the table in the Narthex. Please contact Alana for any questions.

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.

We are grateful to Amanda Thorp for playing today’s service. Thank you, Amanda, for sharing your talents with us today!

✦Please stand as you are able.

