

In Response to God

Activities for the Week of March 29, 2026

Today's Lectionary: Matthew 21:1-11 and Psalm 118:1-1,19-29; Isaiah 50:4-9a and Psalm 31:9-16; Phil. 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54

Sunday	March 29	9:00 am – 10:00 am –	Church School Worship Service
		11:00 am –	Fifth Sunday Food Focus Refreshments and Fellowship Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	March 30	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	March 31	10 am-2 pm – 3-7 pm – 4 pm –	CCSC Food Collection Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training
Wednesday	April 1	3-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	April 2	3-7 pm – 4pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Strength Training
Friday	April 3	3-7 pm – 7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Good Friday Service
Saturday	April 4	9 am-5 pm – 10:30-12:00pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Easter Egg Hunt and Petting Zoo
Sunday	April 5	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Easter Sunday Service Refreshments and Fellowship
Save the date:	March 29	10:00am–	Fifth Sunday Food Focus
	April 3	7:00pm–	Good Friday Service
	April 4	10:30-12:00pm–	Easter Egg Hunt and Petting Zoo
	April 5	10:00am–	Easter Sunday Service
	April 7	7:00pm–	In Person Session Meeting

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor..... The Rev. W. Scott Harbison
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St. Luke's Presbyterian Church
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The Order of Worship

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PALM SUNDAY

We joyfully greet each other and share the gifts of friendship and love.
Please begin quiet preparation for worship as the Prelude begins.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TOLLING

INTROIT

Janet Bardin & Gage Campos, soloists

Prepare Ye, From *Godspell*

Stephen Schwartz

✦ WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 89

ELLACOMBE

Hosanna, Lord Hosanna

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Congregation: Thanks be to God

PEOPLE'S RESPONSE 572

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Please join the choir in singing

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 565)

Liturgist, Eric Smith

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29

ANTHEM

Hosanna!
Marvin Gaspard

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 23)

Matthew 21:1-11

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. W. Scott Harbison

“13 Blocks”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN OF RESPONSE 88

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

OFFERTORY

HAMBURG

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Lowell Manson (1792-1872), arr. Gilbert M. Martin

✦ DOXOLOGY 592

✦ CLOSING HYMN 85

WONDROUS LOVE

What Wondrous Love Is This

✦ BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

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Please leave the Sanctuary as the choir sings the Recessional.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday March 29, 10 a.m.

Celebrate Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem.

Good Friday April 3, 7 p.m.

Music by St. Luke's Choir

&

Guests Instrumentalists

Easter Egg Hunt & Petting Zoo April 4, 10:30 a.m.

Bring your Easter basket and join the fun!

Easter Sunday April 5, 10 a.m.

Celebrate the Risen Lord!

Music by St. Luke's Chancel Choir

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.

Sunday School: Children's Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. in Room 115 with Don Mims teaching the class. **Our Youth Group** meets every other Sunday at 9 a.m. in Room 129. Pastor Scott Harbison teaches the Youth Group. **Adult Sunday School** meets at 9 a.m. in the Library. The Adult Sunday School Class is continuing their study of the Old Testament prophets and their books in the Bible. You are invited to join us at 9 a.m. in library for a study of the prophets throughout 2026. Beginning Sunday, March 8, discussions will focus on chapters 1 through 39 of Isaiah. The study text for the class is "From Judgment to Hope" by Walter Brueggemann.

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.

Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by the Dickinson family.

The Pencils in your pew are given by The Smith Family in loving memory of Ken "Papa Russ" Russell, and in remembrance of his love for his St. Luke's family.

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 board in the Cookie Room. **Cookies are provided by** Linda Wiley.

The 2026 Flower Calendar and Cookie Sign ups are posted in the Cookie Room. If you would like to provide flowers for our Sanctuary, or cookies after worship, please choose a Sunday and add your name(s) to the calendar. Use the envelopes provided to enclose your check (\$100 for 2 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.

Fifth Sunday Food Focus: St. Luke's will be having a Fifth Sunday Focus on Food collection for CCSC Today, March 29th. Grocery bags will be collected today after service.

April Session Meeting will be in person in the St. Luke's session room at 7:00pm on April 7.

Save the Date: Be Sure to join us for our Good Friday Service, Friday April 3rd at 7:00pm. Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is on April 4th 10:30am-12:00pm. Please fill out your bulletin insert to sign up to help! Check out the back of your bulletin for more important upcoming dates and events!

Worship services on YouTube: Our Sunday worship services are live-streamed, recorded, and stored on our YouTube channel (St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, Houston). You can view the published videos on YouTube and on our website. Subscribe to our channel to be notified of new video postings as they become available.

re:MIND Support Group: re:MIND will be hosting a weekly group on Wednesdays at 7:00-8:30pm. Join re:Mind for support and community right here at St. Luke's!