



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

9:15 am Worship Service



St. Luke
LUTHERAN CHURCH

4595 SW California St.

Portland, OR 97219

503-246-2325

www.stlukechurch.com

Thank you for joining us in worship!

If you are new or visiting today, welcome! We invite you to fill out our visitor card located in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate. We are glad you are here.

Hearing assistance is available – please see an usher.

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Presider/Preacher: Pastor Patti Welch

Music: Modern Worship Team; Summer Choir; Ashley Lindsay, cantor

Readers: Lisa Knudsen, Walt Brickwedel, Karen Stabeno

Greeters: Linda Schweitzer, Marsha Swantz

Ushers: Christophe Senah, Diana Domingo-Foraste, Bruce Bayley, Carol Cryder

Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

Worship

In Holy Communion, Christ enters our lives anew: all who hunger to grow in connection with God are welcome to partake. **Communion is via intinction only:** Ushers will invite you forward via the center aisle to receive Communion wafer. Wine (red) and grape juice (clear) are in the chalices (cups) held by the Communion Assistants. **Please bring your wafer to the chalices and dip it into the wine or grape juice before consuming your wafer.**

- Gluten-free wafers are available: simply ask a pastor.
- If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of Holy Communion, come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

St. Luke's Nursery: The nursery is offers care to children ages birth – 5 years every Sunday during the second service (10:15-11:45am). There will be no attendants in the nursery during the month of July. Families are still welcome to use the facility. Our attendants will return in August.

Prayers for the Departed: **Evelyn Kausch** (Jane Chan's mother); **Rev. Myrin Bentz** (Senior Pastor of St. Luke from 1969 – 1998); **Irene Beyer**; **Carol Scott** (sister of Margaret Johnson); **Judy Bayley**; **Margaret Schulz** (Carol Cryder's mother).

Prayer List: **Victor Bilous** (healing for neck injury); **Loretta Jacobson** (healing from successful eye surgery); **Bryan Stenger** (multiple health concerns, nephew of Scott and Judy Willis); **Jordan Benson** (brother of Dale Benson); **Meri Alrick**; **Susan G. Knodell Humprey**; **Fraser Rasmussen** (ongoing cancer); **Fay Brown** (hip replacement); **Kathy Darby** (Sarah Johnson's mother); **Gloria Miniszewski**; **Georgann Dustan** (gallbladder surgery); **Anne Bender** (broken back); **Sybil Tremper** (lymphoma); **Barb Dahlgren** (surgery); **Sue Seiffert** (stage 1 breast cancer); **Carter West** (neurological disease); **Lorna Beckley** (brain cancer); **Tim Spofford** (strokes/Cathy Spofford's brother-in-law); **Dave Simmons** (cancer); **Elaine Woodward** (stroke); **Dee Mills**; **Jeremy Eckhardt** and those incarcerated.

Connect

Women of St. Luke Luncheon: Today, after the 10:30am service! There will be a time for fellowship and food followed by a short Bible study led by Pastor Patti following the Gather magazine. All women are welcome. Sandwiches, chips, and drinks will be provided. Attendees are welcome to bring a salad or dessert and are encouraged to bring donations of toiletries, cleaning, or kitchen supplies for the West Women's Shelter. A free will offering will also be collected.

Staff Out of the Office: Pastor Beth is out of the office through August 8th on sabbatical (Pastor Patti is the pastor on call); Gerry Brenes: July 31st-August 3rd; Emily Brabham: July 13th -26th.

Pastor on Call: Pr. Patti will be taking vacation beginning Wednesday, July 31st and returning Monday, August 12th. St. Luke member and Theologian in Residence, Rev. Dr. Mark Brocker, will be the Pastor on Call. If you have any pastoral needs during this time, please call the office at (503) 246-2325. You can also email Pr. Mark at brockerms11@gmail.com Please note that Pr. Beth will be returning from her sabbatical on Friday, August 9th, and at that time will be the Pastor on Call.

Celebration of Life: Pr. Myrin Bentz, Saturday, August 17th at 11am at St. Luke. Pastor David Knapp will be the presiding pastor with music led by Matthew Lotz. A reception will follow.

St. Luke's Director of Music: Gerry Brenes will be leaving his position as Director of Music. Gerry's last Sunday with us will be Sunday, August 18th. We thank Gerry for his service directing the Modern Worship Team, Rejoice Choir, and St. Luke Ringers. The search for a new Director of Music is underway. The position has been posted and can be found on our website. Spread the word!

Serve

Set Up for Grauer Back-to-School Project: The great Grauer set up for 2024 is happening Sunday, August 4th after the 10:30am service. If everyone stays for a bit we can get everything that needs to be done that day finished very quickly. Many hands make for light work and the more hands we have the better! Grauer set up week is August 5-9 from 9am-noon. Pack backpacks Tuesday, August 6th from 7-9pm at St. Luke. Each day we will set up a separate area of distribution. Please meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9am to assist. If you have questions, please email Emily at emily@stlukechurch.com See you there!

Day-Of Grauer Back-to-School Project: Saturday, August 10th! Want to volunteer? Scan the QR code or email Emily Brabham for more information: Emily@stlukechurch.com We are looking for more volunteers for the second half of the day! Thank you for making this yearly event a success!

Mini Pantry: Food insecurity continues in the Summer! Help us to work with neighbors to fill the mini pantry with non-perishable food. Or sign up to tidy the pantry and during hours when the church is open, check in for collected food from members and replenish food. The mini pantry is located across from Driftwood coffee along our driveway off Vermont Street. Sign up through our Daily Devotions or scan the QR code. Thank you to all who have donated!





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Prelude

Chorus

G. F. Händel

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Table Talk

Rick Patrick,
Volunteer, Grauer Back-to-School

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

no. 729

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie

no. 154

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Word

First Reading 2 Kings 4:42-44

Second Reading Ephesians 3:14-21
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation pg. 198

Gospel Reading John 6:1-21
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Sermon Response *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness vs 1 & 3* no. 843

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Prayer Response *O God, We Call* ACS 1075

Passing of the Peace

Meal

Offertory *Total Praise* Richard Smallwood

Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. **Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue	pg. 199
Preface	
Holy, Holy, Holy	pg. 200

Thanksgiving at the Table
Christ Has Died
Amen
Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God	pg. 201
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Communion Hymns

<i>You Satisfy the Hungry Heart</i>	no. 484
<i>Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death</i>	no. 452

Post-Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, almighty God, **that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sending

Blessing

Sending Hymn	<i>Praise and Thanksgiving</i>	no. 689
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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Voluntary No. 9

Arlen Clarke