

In Response to God
Activities for the Week of June 9, 2024

Today's Lectionary: Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

Sunday	June 9	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service 11:00 am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Monday	June 10	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	June 11	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 10 am-2 pm – CCSC Food Collection 4 pm – Strength Training Class
Wednesday	June 12	3-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	June 13	Houston Dragon Academy 4 pm – Strength Training Class
Friday	June 14	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	June 15	9 am-5 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	June 16	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service 11:00 am – Refreshments & Fellowship Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Save the date:	June 17	6:30 pm – Spirits & Spirituality
	June 20	6:30 pm – Montrose Street Reach
	July 7	10:00 am – Jazz Communion & All American Picnic

Christian Community Service Center

Many of our neighbors are facing hunger and food insecurity. CCSC is grateful to provide basic necessities and your donations truly help—every single bag, box or canned item makes a difference:

MOST NEEDED FOOD PANTRY ITEMS:

- Dry beans (1- or 2-pound bags)
- Hearty soups
- Dry rice (1- or 2-pound bags)
- Canned tuna or chicken
- Peanut butter
- Boxed dry cereal
- Pasta sauce

OTHER REQUESTED ITEMS:

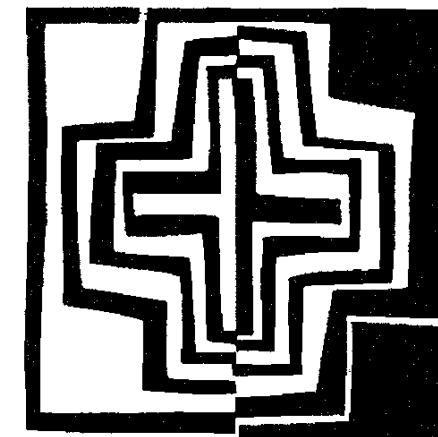
- Baby food or formula
- Toilet paper
- Canned fruit (all types)
- Canned vegetables (all types)
- Dry pasta/mac and cheese
- Bar soap
- Diapers (sizes 5 and 6)

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. W. Scott Harbison
Parish Associate	The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
Parish Associate	The Rev. Laureen Suba
Director of Music-Organist/Choirmaster	Marvin Gaspard
Business Manager	Patti Ernst
Assistant to Head of Staff	Mary Ann White
Artists in Residence	Sarah Bunk, Ann Guercio, & Laura Smith



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The Order of Worship

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We joyfully greet each other and share the gifts of friendship and love.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TOLLING

Please begin quiet preparation for worship as the Tolling begins.

PRELUDE

Laura Smith, harpist

Melodie

David Ashley White

WELCOME

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

✦ OPENING HYMN 379

SOLID ROCK

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Transforming God, we come before you knowing we are poor mirrors of your mercy. You are reckless with generosity, while we calculate unknowns. You create a currency of freedom, while our currency clings to fear. You are keen to rejoice, we are quick to judge. You do the right thing. By your grace you know the best thing to do. May we seek that grace and make us restless to do the best thing.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Congregation: Thanks Be to God

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS (OT p. 3)

Today's reader: Lad Perenyi (NT p. 181)

Genesis 3:8-15

2 Corinthians 4:13-18

ANTHEM

Janet & Randall Bardin

You Are My Shepherd

John & Mary Giger

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 37)

One: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. Lauren Suba

“Who told you, you were naked?”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN OF RESPONSE 293

TERRA BEATA

This Is My Father's World

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS/LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional) Hymnal p. 161

OFFERTORY

Ann Guercio

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Irish melody, arr. Marvin Gaspard

✦ DOXOLOGY 592

✦ PRAYER

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE

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

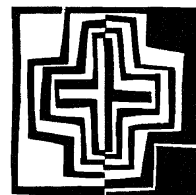
✦ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

REGENT SQUARE

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Henry Smart (1813-1879), arr. Marvin Gaspard



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 if you have any questions.

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 your joys and concerns verbally at the time for Pastoral Prayer.

Sunday School: Children's Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. in Room 115 with Don Mims teaching the class. **Adult Sunday School** meets at 9 a.m. in the Library. The class is beginning a study of Titus. **Our Youth Group** meets every other Sunday at 9 a.m.

The flowers in our sanctuary this morning have been given by Kenneth Russell to the glory of God and in honor of the St. Luke's Chancel Choir and their ministry.

July 7th is Jazz Communion! We began the tradition of celebrating Jazz Communion on July 4, 1999, 25 years ago! Since then it has become a favorite Sunday for our congregation. Please make plans to attend this toe-tappin', finger-snappin', hand-clappin' service with our choir and the Marvin Gaspard Trio. Remain after worship and enjoy our annual All American Picnic in the Cookie Room. We will have a hot dog lunch with "all the trimmings" and yummy deserts from our church members.

Focus on Food Sunday is June 30th: On the fifth Sundays of the year we ask everyone to make a special effort to bring non-perishable items for CCSC. *Focus on Food* is just another way to bring attention to the elevated hunger in our community and the high level of need that the CCSC Emergency Food Pantry responds to every day. Food drives are essential to keep their shelves stocked. A list of suggested items is on the back of this insert.

CCSC's Back to School program began in May when volunteers signed up over 4,000 low income students. It takes \$75 to provide a student with brand-new school supplies, a backpack, and a clothing gift card. You are invited to support these students at whatever amount you find comfortable -each dollar helps! Distribution to the students will be August 2-3. To make a donation you can give to St. Luke's and note that your gift is for Back to School or visit the CCSC website at www.ccschouston.org.

Spirits & Spirituality: Join Rev. Harbison on June 17 for our next meeting of Spirits & Spirituality at Casa Dominguez, 5213 Cedar in Bellaire. This is a great opportunity for fellowship and lively discussion of Rev. Harbison's topic for the evening. Sign up today to let us know you will attend.

Cookie Time: We all enjoy our fellowship time after worship and of course our cookie time too. With that being said, please consider signing up to provide refreshments on a Sunday convenient for you. The sign up sheet is in the Cookie Room!