

# Jazz Communion

July 7, 2024

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

## PREPARING FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE His Eye Is on the Sparrow  
Charles H. Gabriel (1856-1932)

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT He Is King of Kings  
African American Spiritual, arr. Marvin Gaspard

OPENING HYMN 280 Amazing Grace  
AMAZING GRACE

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS  
Congregation: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE 587 Amen  
African American Spiritual

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (NT page 185) 2 Corinthians 12:2-10  
Today's Reader: John Simmons

VOLUNTARY Wade in the Water  
African American Spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes

SCRIPTURE READING (NT page 40) Mark 6:1-13

SERMON The Rev. W. Scott Harbison  
"Hootenanny"

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS

OFFERTORY Festival Sanctus  
John Leavitt

DOXOLOGY 485 To God Be the Glory  
Refrain only

COMMUNION HYMN 513  
LET US BREAK BREAD

Let Us Break Bread Together

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Rev. Scott Harbison & Rev. Laureen Suba

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

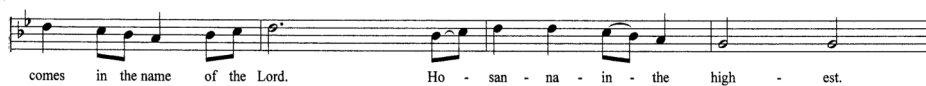
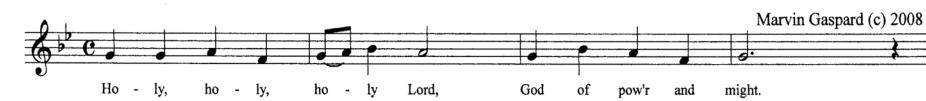
**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

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...



DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS (Please join in singing the hymn medley below)

### Kum ba Yah

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah!  
Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah!  
Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah!  
Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah! (Repeat) O Lord, kum ba yah!

### Just a Closer Walk with Thee

I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

Refrain:

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee. (Refrain)

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more:  
Guide me gently, safely o'er to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore. (Refrain)

### I've Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.  
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.  
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.  
I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.

CHARGE AND BEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

When the Saints Go Marchin' In  
African American Spiritual

I am just a weary pilgrim, plodding thru this world of sin;  
Getting ready for that city, when the saints go marching in.

Refrain:

O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in.  
O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

My father loved the Savior, what a soldier he had been!  
But his steps will be more steady, when the saints go marching in.

Refrain

And mother, may God bless her, I can see her now, as then;  
With a robe of white around her, when the saints go marching in.

Refrain

Up there I'll see the Savior who redeemed my soul from sin.  
With extended hands he'll greet me when the saints go marching in.

Refrain

POSTLUDE

Goodbye, World, Goodbye  
Mosie Lister (1921-2018)

## THE MARVIN GASPARD TRIO

Marvin Gaspard, piano  
Aric Nitzberg, bass  
Glen Renfro, percussion

**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. **The Adult Sunday School** class meets in the Library and are currently studying Titus. **Our Youth Group** meets every two weeks at 9 a.m. in Room 129

**The flowers in our sanctuary today** are given by John and Lisa Simmons to the glory of God and in honor of Kilian Stallworth and McKenzie Simmons, for their birthdays.

**Today marks the 25th year of our Jazz Communion service!** The toe-tappin', finger-snappin', hand-clappin' music of the Marvin Gaspard Trio will lift your spirits and put a smile on your face!

**Our All American Picnic Lunch is today!** Please join us for lunch and fellowship after worship for our annual lunch to celebrate Independence Day and our Jazz Communion service. There will be hotdogs with all the trimmings, salads, and desserts.

**Spirits & Spirituality** meets on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Casa Ramirez in Bellaire. It's a great opportunity for fellowship and discussion of Rev. Harbison's topic for the evening. A sign up sheet will be available on Sunday or you can call the church office to RSVP.

**FRIENDS OF MUSIC** was established to help provide special instrumental and vocal guests throughout the year, and to supplement funding for our choir section leaders. Tax deductible gifts may be given in honor or memory of loved ones, or in celebration of birthdays, anniversaries, and special milestone events. You may make your check payable to St. Luke's Presbyterian Church and include "Friends of Music" on the memo line. For more information contact Marvin Gaspard at [mjgaspard@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mjgaspard@sbcglobal.net) or 713.667.6531 ext.103.

**Montrose Street Reach on Thursday, July 18:** Once a month St. Luke's serves with Montrose Street Reach to minister to people experiencing homelessness in the Montrose area. We contribute the desserts to the meal served that evening. If you can provide brownies or cookies or would like to volunteer to serve, call the church office (713.667.6531).

**Calling all CCSC Back To School Friends!** \$75 provides a back to school student with school supplies, a backpack and a clothing/shoe gift card. Donations of any amount are appreciated—each dollar will help serve a child in need. Give online at [www.ccschouston.org](http://www.ccschouston.org) or make your check payable to St. Luke's and place it in the collection plate. Please write "Back to School" on the notation line.

IN RESPONSE TO GOD  
ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 7, 2024  
Lectionary: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

Sunday	July 7	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Jazz Communion All American Indoor Picnic
Monday	July 8	7:30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	July 9	7:30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Wednesday	July 10	7:30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	July 11	7:30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Friday	July 12	7:30 am–7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	July 13	9 am–6 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	July 14	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Worship Refreshments & Fellowship

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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