



**St. Luke's
Presbyterian
Church**

July 14, 2024
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts
Henry Baker (1835-1910), arr. Marvin Gaspard

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN 144
HYFRYDOL

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 280)
Today's Reader: Patti Ernst

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

VOLUNTARY
Ann Guercio, soprano

Pie Jesu
From *Requiem*, Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 40)

Mark 6:14-29

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. W. Scott Harbison

"Dancing in the Dark"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE 356
NETTLETON

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS

GIVING OUR GIFTS BACK TO GOD
BEACH SPRING

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending
From *The Sacred Harp*, 1844, arr. Daniel Burton

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Christ Is Made the Firm Foundation
Henry Smart (1813-1879), arr. Marvin Gaspard

In Response to God

Activities for the Week of July 14, 2024

Today's Lectionary: 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19; Psalm 85:8-13; Mark 6:14-29

Sunday	July 14	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service 11:00 am – Refreshments and Fellowship
Monday	July 15	7:30 am-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	July 16	7:30 am-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 10 am-2 pm – CCSC Food Collection 4 pm – Strength Training Class 6:30 pm – Spirits & Spirituality
Wednesday	July 17	7:30 am-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	July 18	7:30 am-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 4 pm – Strength Training Class 6:30 pm – Montrose Street Reach
Friday	July 19	7:30 am-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	July 20	7:30 am-7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	July 21	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship Service 11:00 am – Refreshments & Fellowship

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. W. Scott Harbison
Parish Associate	The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
Parish Associate	The Rev. Lauren 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

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.

Joys and Concerns are an opportunity to share a need for prayers of thanksgiving or intercession with the congregation. You will be asked to mention your joys and concerns verbally at the time for Pastoral Prayer.

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. **Our Youth Group** meets every other Sunday at 9 a.m.

The flowers in our sanctuary this morning are given by Ed and Glenda Dickinson to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Marvin Gaspard and all the musicians of St. Luke's who help us glorify God with voices and instruments.

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).

Spirits & Spirituality has a new meeting date in July: Spirits and Spiritually usually 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. This month we will meet on Tuesday, July 16, location and time remain the same. A sign up sheet is available in the Narthex or you can call the church office to RSVP.