

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *O Love* Elaine Hagenberg
Sonos

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *in unison* Rev. Colin Bagby
Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift,
Having received the gift of your Son,
Teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are,
That we may praise you, not with our lips only,
But with our whole lives,
Turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days
Into a living sacrifice to you;
Through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

#555 *The Book of Worship 1965, adapt*

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
If you would like to become a follower of Jesus Christ, or are interested in joining St. Luke's United Methodist Church, we would love to talk to you about what that means. Please visit the Connection Desk to learn more.

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT
2169 *God, How Can We Forgive* LEONI

God, how can we forgive when bonds of love are torn?
How can we rise and start anew, our trust reborn?
When human loving fails and every hope is gone,
your love gives strength beyond our own to face the dawn.

When we have missed the mark, and tears of anguish flow,
how can you still release our guilt, the debt we owe?
The ocean depth of grace surpasses all our needs.
A priest who shares our human pain, Christ intercedes.

Who dares to throw the stone to damn another's sin,
when you, while knowing all our past, forgive again?
No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.
As you, O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive.

*BENEDICTION Rev. Colin Bagby

POSTLUDE *Epilogue* Mark Williams

At places marked * those who are able may stand.

What's Happening at St. Luke's

Help us stay in touch and update your account. Online or stop by the Commons today! my.StLukesMethodist.org/MyAccount

May Collection

No kids sleeps on the floor in our city! Help by supporting our Sleep in Heavenly Peace collection! Contribute financially to build more beds this fall or donate NEW twin bedding sets. StLukesMethodist.org/giveSHP

General Conference recap with Dr. Tom Pace
May 13 | branches building & Online | 6:30 p.m.

Disaster Response Training

Saturday, May 18 | 9 a.m.–12 p.m. | ES313/314

Would you like to be part of St. Luke's Disaster Response team? This training will enable you to: connect with church members, work on our collections/distribution centers, serve on our muck and gut teams and more.

Sign Up: StLukesMethodist.org/responsetraining

Questions? Contact Rev. Amy Sumrall, asumrall@StLukesMethodist.org.

Working Faith Breakfast | Wednesday, May 15 | 8 a.m. | Hines Baker Room

Be inspired by Dr. Rachel Schneider, Director of the Religion and Public Life Program at Rice University. Her presentation is "Taking Faith to Work: How do Christians practice faith at work and see work as calling?"

StLukesMethodist.org/MayWorkingFaith

Welcome to worship at St. Luke's!

If you are visiting and would like to learn more about our church,
please stop by the Connection Desk for a welcome gift.

Tell us you are here!

1. Is this your first visit?

Please text *iamnew* to 97000 to let us know you are worshipping with us today!

2. Check in on the St. Luke's App.

If you don't have the app installed on your phone, you can download it at:

StLukesMethodist.org/app.

Sermon Notes

Healthy Families

Second in the Series, *Inside and Out: Spiritual Practices for Mental Health*

1. Especially...

2. Burden bearing

3. Boundaries

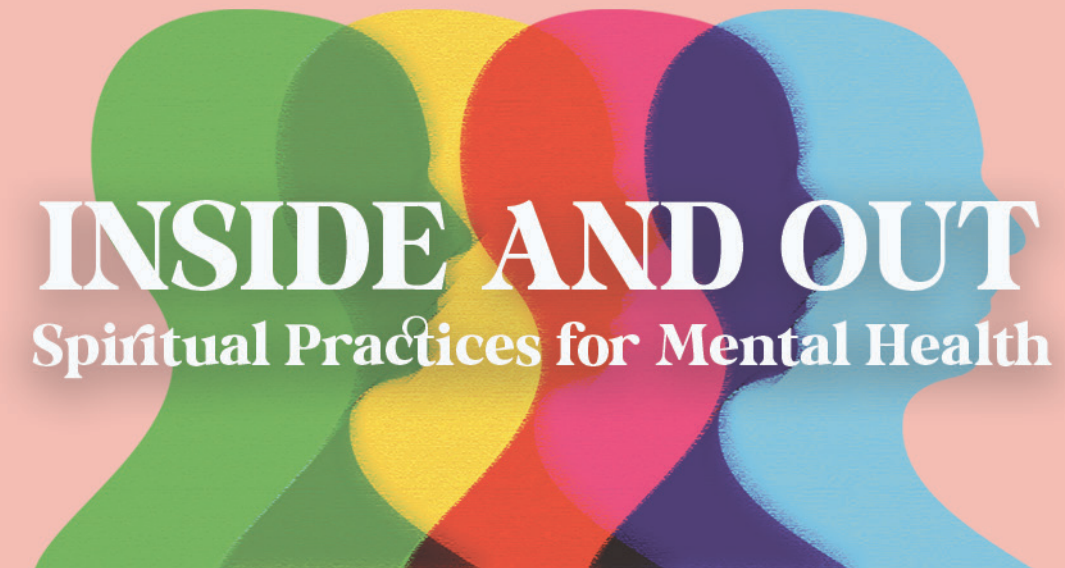
4. Do not grow weary

Leading in Worship Today: Dr. Tom Pace; Rev. Colin Bagby; Mary Schuler, Senior Adult Ministries.

Musicians: Sid Davis, Director of Music & Fine Arts; Jim Roman, Organist & Artist-in-Residence; Justin Bair, Associate Director of Music & Worship; B.B. Bamberg, Accompanist; Chancel Bells; Sonos; Pure Sound.

Acolytes: Lillie Eichenlaub, Rachel Osterman.

The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and given in celebration of the baptism of Margaret Kay Ahlgrim by her parents, Katherine and Drew Ahlgrim; in celebration of the baptism of Matthew Joseph Baird by his parents, Kathryn and Steven Baird; in celebration of the baptism of Margaret Kate Martin by her parents, Kirsten and Andrew Martin; in thanksgiving for Audrey Moses; and in celebration of my mother, Agatha Brann by Kyle Young.



St. Luke's United Methodist Church

May 12, 2024 | 8:30 a.m.



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United Methodist Church

Dr. Tom Pace, Senior Pastor

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PRELUDE *Sonatina No. 1* Michael Helman
Chancel Bells

***HYMN OF PRAISE** 2221 *In Unity We Lift Our Song* EIN' FESTE BURG

In unity we lift our song of grateful adoration,
For brothers brave and sisters strong.
What cause for celebration!
For those whose faithfulness has kept us through distress,
Who've shared with us our plight, who've held us in the night,
The blessed congregation.

For stories told and told again to every generation,
To give us strength in times of pain,
To give us consolation.
Our spirits to revive to keep our dreams alive,
When we are far from home and evil seasons come;
How firm is our foundation.

For sacred scriptures handed down, a blessed trust and treasure,
Which give us hope when hope is gone
And make us weep with pleasure.
And when our eyes grow blind and death is close behind,
We shall recite them still whose words our hearts can fill
With hope beyond all measure.

For God our way, our bread, our rest, of all these gifts the Giver.
Our strength, our guide, our nurturing breast
Whose hand will yet deliver.
Who keeps us till the day when night shall pass away,
When hate and fear are gone and all our work is done,
And we shall sing forever.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED** UMH #881 Rev. Colin Bagby

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

***GLORIA PATRI** UMH #70 MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WELCOME Dr. Tom Pace

SCRIPTURE READING Mary Schuler

Galatians 6:1-10
⁶My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵For all must carry their own loads. ⁶Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. ⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

MORNING PRAYER Rev. Colin Bagby

SERMON *Healthy Families* Dr. Tom Pace
Second in the Series, *Inside and Out: Spiritual Practices for Mental Health*
Anna Crain, Counselor for Nick Finnegan Counseling Center

OFFERTORY *Bound for Greater Things* Ken Medema
Pure Sound

When I meet you on the highway,
I will greet you with a song.
We'll play music by the roadside
when the journey seems too long.
In the rain and in the fire I will strain to hear you sing.
The Kingdom is our hearts' desire. We are bound for greater things.

Refrain
Singin' we are bound for greater things,
bound to walk a higher road.
Drawn by dreams and led by visions,
we will know the grace of God
We will leave the past behind.
We will fly with eagles' wings.
We will run the race before us.
We are bound for greater things!

Help me find the chains that bind me
as we walk into the light.

We can see with clearer vision
what confused us in the night.
The One who made the golden morning,
the One who gave our spirits wings,
Gave us these hands to help each other
on our way to greater things.

Refrain

As an alternative to the offering plate, text gift amount to: 832-669-5500.

***DOXOLOGY** UMH #95 OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Colin Bagby

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God,
In whom we live and move and have our being,
Whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
And whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
Cleanse us from all our offenses,
And deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
That with reverent and humble hearts
We may draw near to you,
Confessing our faults,
Confiding in your grace,
And finding in you our refuge and strength;
Through Jesus Christ your Son.
Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON


Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.


In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

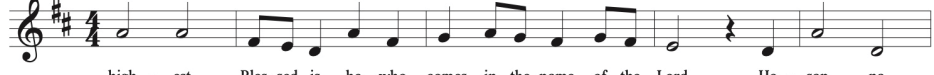
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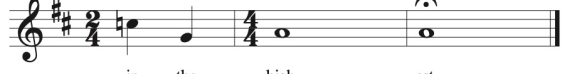
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...*the pastor continues*
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn: Jim Roman


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and


might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the


high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na


in the high - est.

...*the pastor continues*
...in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.


Christ has died; Christ is ri - sen; Christ will come a - gain.

...*the pastor continues*
...all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.


A - men A - men A - men

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** 560 *Help Us Accept Each Other* ACCEPTANCE

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

We are guests at Christ's table which is open to all. Receive the wafer in your hands, and the server will say, "The body of Christ, given for you," and your response could be, "Amen." Then dip the wafer into the juice and the server will say, "The blood of Christ, given for you," and again you may respond, "Amen."

Gluten-free wafers and pre-filled cups are available. Indicate your need to your server. Offerings left at the communion rail will be directed to the Member Care Fund, which aids our friends in need.