

Jessons and music from your favorite Broadway musicals.

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost August 7, 2016 at Ten Fifty A.M.

Aladdin

There's nothing wrong with wanting to get ahead in life – unless it causes you to compromise your values. In Aladdin, the main character pretends to be something he's not in order to find love, and exploits his friendship with the Genie. At the end of a struggle between good and evil, he eventually discovers the virtues of being himself, and is able to see that kindness is what can truly get you ahead in life.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

(†Those who are able, please stand in honor of God.)

Prelude Alan Menken

Arabian Nights Robert Fasol, organist

RINGING OF THE BELLS

†Hymn 160 marion

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Rejoice, ye pure in heart; rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Your clear hosannas raise, and alleluias loud; whilst answering echoes upward float, like wreaths of incense cloud. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go; from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Praise God Who reigns on high, the Lord Whom we adore, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

†Call to Worship

Rev. Wendy Lambert

Sometimes it can feel

that we're on the outside looking in

and other times like we're on the inside looking out,

always wishing for something more.

Yet, when we trust in God,

we discover a new world.

We've been granted new life in Christ;

all of our hopes and dreams are fulfilled with Him.

†Affirmation of Faith

As a family of faith, let us affirm our faith together.

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.

(* universal)

†Gloria Patri 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.

Call to Prayer

Rev. Jeremy Sanders

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

Almighty Father, hear our prayer, and bless all souls that wait before Thee.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

CHORAL RESPONSE

ANTHEM

Alan Menken/Howard Ashman

Friend Like Me

While trapped in a cave, Aladdin discovers a magical lamp. After rubbing the lamp, the friendly genie appears and offers to grant Aladdin three wishes.

Chancel Choir and Orchestra Isaiah Bailey, soloist Robert Fasol, piano Eric Bradford, conductor

Well, Ali Baba had them forty thieves. Scheherazade had a thousand tales. But, master, you in luck 'cause up your sleeves you got a brand of magic never fails. You got some power in your corner now, some heavy ammunition in your camp. You got some punch, pizazz, yahoo and how. See, all you gotta do is rub that lamp, and I'll say......

Mister Aladdin sir, what will your pleasure be? Let me take your order, jot it down. You ain't never had a friend like me. No, no, no. Life is your restaurant and I'm your Maitre D. Come on, whisper what it is you want. You ain't never had a friend like me.

Yes, sir, we pride ourselves on service. You're the boss, the king, the shah. Say what you wish. It's yours! True dish, how 'bout a little more baklava? Have some of column "A." Try all of column "B." I'm in the mood to help you, dude, you ain't never had a friend like me.

Can your friends do this? Can your friends do that? Can your friends pull this out their little hat? Can your friends go poof! Can your friends go abracadabra, let 'er rip and then make the sucker disappear?

So don't you sit there slack jawed, buggy eyed. I'm here to answer all your mid-day prayers. You got me bona-fide certified. You got a genie for your charge d'affaires. I got a powerful urge to help you out, so what you wish, I really want to know. You got a list that's three miles long, no doubt. Well, all you gotta do is rub like so.

Mister Aladdin, sir, have a wish or two or three. I'm on the job, you big nabob. You ain't never had a friend, never had a friend, you ain't never had a friend, never had a friend, like me, me! You ain't never had a friend like me.

Life at St. Luke's

Rev. Wendy Lambert

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Dr. Robert E. Long

OFFERTORY

Alan Menken/Howard Ashman

Proud of Your Boy

Aladdin laments the death of his mother and vows to never steal again.

Alex Ross, soloist St. Luke's Orchestra Robert Fasol, piano Eric Bradford, conductor

Proud of your boy, I'll make you proud of your boy. Believe me, bad as I've been, Ma, you're in for a pleasant surprise. I've wasted time. I've wasted me. So say I'm slow

for my age, a late bloomer, okay, I agree that I've been a rotten kid. Some son, some pride and joy! But I'll get over these lousin' up, messin' up, screwin' up times. You'll see, Ma, now comes the better part. Someone's gonna make good, cross his stupid heart, make good and finally make you proud of your boy!

Tell me that I've been a louse and a loafer, you won't get a fight here, no ma'am. Say I'm a gold-brick, a goof-off, no good, but that couldn't be all that I am. Water flows under the bridge, let it pass, let it go. There's no good reason that you should believe me, not yet, I know, but someday and soon, I'll make you proud of your boy.

Though I can't make myself taller or smarter or handsome or wise. I'll do my best, what else can I do? Since I wasn't born perfect like Dad or you, Mom, I will try hard to make you proud of your boy!

†Doxology 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.

†New Testament Lesson

Rev. Jeremy Sanders But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he journeyed he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed about him. And he fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting; but rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul arose from the ground; and when his eyes were opened, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. (Acts 9:1 - 9)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dr. Robert E. Long

St. Luke's on Broadway: Aladdin

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Alan Menken/Tim Rice

A Whole New World

Aladdin invites Jasmine on a magic carpet ride where they discover the world from a new perspective.

> Keely McGough and Alex Ross, soloists St. Luke's Orchestra Robert Fasol, piano Eric Bradford, conductor

I can show you the world, shining, shimmering, splendid. Tell me, princess, now when did you last let your heart decide? I can open your eyes, take you wonder by wonder, over, sideways and under on a magic carpet ride.

A whole new world, a new fantastic point of view. No one to tell us no or where to go or say we're only dreaming. A whole new world, a dazzling place I never knew. But when I'm way up here, it's crystal clear that now I'm in a whole new world with you.

Unbelievable sights, indescribable feeling. Soaring, tumbling, free-wheeling through an endless diamond sky. A whole new world, a hundred thousand things begin. I'm like a shooting star, I've come so far, I can't go back.

I'm in a whole new world with new horizons to pursue. I'll chase them anywhere. There's time to spare. Let me share this whole new world with you. A whole new world, that's where we'll be. A thrilling chase, a wondrous place for you and me.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

If you desire to become a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church, please refer to the announcement insert for additional information.

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.

We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.

We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.

Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

†SENDING FORTH

Dr. Robert E. Long

Grant us vision to see a new world and experience life anew.
We will trust in Your love for us and share that love to bring hope to the world.

Postlude

Peter Ilyitch Tchaikovsky

Danse Arabe Robert Fasol, organist

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Dr. Robert E. Long Senior Pastor

Rev. Wendy Lambert Senior Executive Pastor **Rev. Jeremy Sanders** Pastor of Program Ministries

Musicians
Robert Fasol, Organist/Choirmaster
Eric Bradford, Conductor
Chancel Choir and St. Luke's Orchestra
Isaiah Bailey, Soloist
Alex Ross, Soloist
Keely McGough, Soloist

St. Luke's On Broadway Welcomes Isaiah Bailey and Alex Ross



Isaiah Bailey, an Arkansas native, is a former member of the Life Light Band, and thrilled to be back at his second home! Bailey is now residing in Branson, Missouri where he is playing the role of Pharaoh in *Moses* at the Sight and Sound Theatre. He will continue in that role until December 31, 2016. Bailey, a full time actor, singer, and voice teacher is a proud 2014 graduate of Oklahoma City University, where he received his Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance. Bailey is excited to announce that he is releasing a new album that will be available on all digital

music outlets mid August 2016. Some of Bailey's credits include: Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma: *Dreamgirls* (Curtis Taylor Jr.) *Big Fish* (Don Price) *Lés Miserables, Big River, Tarzan Ragtime*. Hope Summer Rep: *Lés Miserables* (Javert) Poteet Theatre: *Ragtime* (Coalhouse Walker Jr.), *Dreamgirls, Hairspray,* and *The Color Purple* (Mister).



Originally from Great Britain, Alex moved to Texas as a young man, and now resides in the great city of Dallas. While working on his degree in vocal performance at Oklahoma City University, Alex worked as an intern in the St. Luke's music ministry for four years. Alex moved back to DFW to pursue a career in stage and screen acting and has performed on nearly every Dallas stage. Alex has starred on television and in films, as well as commercials and the theatre. For a complete listing of his credits, please visit marycollins.com/alex-ross. Alex has a beautiful wife named Jessica.



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Congregational Care Ministry

The St. Luke's family of faith desires to extend care to you in the times of concern and joy and all that is in-between. Please write your prayer concerns on an attendance card during Sunday services or email to ccm@stlukesokc.org. You may also call 232-1371 with your prayers concerns.

Faith Partners

Faith Partners seeks to educate, refer and walk with people along their journey towards recovery from addiction. If you or someone you love struggles with addiction and would like help, please go online to faithpartners.stlukesokc.org or email to ccm@stlukesokc.org.

Radio Programming

Listen to "Something to Think About" with Dr. Bob Long between 7:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. on following radio stations: 98.1 The Sports Animal and Magic 104.1. The sermon can be heard on KREF AM 1400 at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday morning.

TV Programming

St. Luke's Traditional service can be seen as a half-hour television program on KOCO channel 5 at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday morning. CDs are available in Threefold or contact Bev Barnes at 232-1371. We will be glad to mail a copy of the service to you. Cost is \$5 for a CD or \$10 for a DVD.

Online Worship Service

If you are unable to attend worship on any Sunday, you can join us online for the 10:50 a.m. Traditional Worship Service broadcast live from the Downtown Campus. You can watch on your computer, smartphone, or tablet. Simply look for the "Online Worship" link on the stlukesokc.org website. A link is also available on the St. Luke's App.

Welcome to Our Newest Members Joining in July:

Downtown: Morgan and Nick Schaefer, Carol and Harrison Bennett, and Madalene and Bob Roedl

Edmond: Cristi and Ben Moore, and Marilyn Culbreath

Fuente de Vida: Alfonso and Alma Flores

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Welcome to St. Luke's United Methodist Church.

We're so glad you've joined us for worship this morning. Our mission is to share God's love and bring hope to the world. We hope you leave here today inspired by a message of hope and ready to embrace life in the week ahead.

Helpful Information

Hymnals and Bibles are located in the arm rest of the seat.

Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.

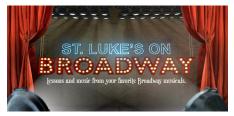
Children's Ministry is available during the worship service for infants - 5th grade.

Parents with active or tearful children can watch a live feed of the service in the Watchorn Chapel. A children's activity bag is also available in the Narthex.

A Hospitality Team member is at the Welcome Center to help.

Announcements

Call (405) 232-1371 for more info or visit stlukesokc.org.



Coming Attractions on Broadway

Continue to experience the excitement of Broadway through guest performers and meaningful messages. Next Sunday features music from *Man of La Mancha* with Mat Govich as the guest performer. The schedule for the next features are: August 21 - South Pacific. August 28 - Mary Poppins. To help you invite your friends and family to worship next Sunday, there

are invitation tickets available. Stop by the Welcome Center and pick up some tickets.

Mommy & Me

Join us for a special "tortoise" play date with Lennie and Iris at Mommy & Me! It's August 8, I I a.m.-I:30 p.m., in Fellowship Hall. They are two curious and friendly 25-pound Leopard Tortoises. Susan Easttom will be reading a special book about tortoises for story time with the kids, which is available in Threefold. Then your children will have the opportunity to meet and interact with these silly tortoises. Fellow Mommy & Me mom, Sam Goza, will be answering questions and sharing fun facts about the adventurous life of her pet tortoises. Lunch is \$5 and kids eat free. For more information, contact Jamie at moms@stlukesokc.org or 609-1012.

Register for the Bedlam Learning Series

It's going to be Bedlam at St. Luke's this fall! The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute from OU and OSU universities is teaming up with St. Luke's to present the 2016 "Bedlam Learning Series." The sessions will take place on three Fridays: - September 9 (Politics) - October 14 (History) - November 11 (International Relations) Each Friday will have a speaker from each school, followed by lunch. The only charge for the Fall 2016 series is the cost of lunch (\$7). You must register to attend - to register and for information go to stlukesokc.org.

Passages Grief Recovery Class

If you have lost a spouse, St. Luke's would like to help you through the healing process. You're invited to join the six-week Passages Grief Recovery Course. This course will be taught by Marla Cole, a licensed professional counselor, specializing in the field of grief and loss. Join us Tuesdays, beginning August 16 through September 20, from 6-7:30 p.m. in Room 202. There is no cost. Online signup is available at stlukeokc.org. For questions contact Morgan Jones at 600-3415, or mjones@stlukesokc.org.

Lunch with Bob

Dr. Bob Long has been sharing God's love with the St. Luke's family of faith since 1991. You're invited to hear their inspiring story over lunch! It's Lunch With Bob - Sunday, August 21, from 12:15 - 1:45 p.m. in the Mansion Library. A private joining ceremony will also be available. Childcare is provided. To reserve a spot, email Beth Armstrong: barmstrong@stlukesokc.org - or call 609-1045. You can also visit stlukesokc.org.

Make a Splash Today

The Splash Pad will be open today from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on the west side of the building (Harvey St. between 14th & 15th). Stop by after service so the kids can enjoy the Splash Pad, water inflatables, hot dogs, and more!

Joining St. Luke's

If you wish to place your membership with St. Luke's this morning, please complete this card and bring it to the front during the final hymn.

Name		Date _	
Address			
City		State	Zip
Phone	E-mail		
Date of Birth?			
Are you transferring from another		□ No	
If yes, where?			
If you would like more information about contact Beth Armstrong, Director of Welco	, ,		· · ·

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Mobile Meals Drivers Needed

Looking for a way to share God's love? You can bring hope to the homebound, simply by delivering a meal that they're unable to prepare on their own. Right now, drivers are needed for the Mobile Meals ministry to help the hungry in our own community. We desperately need regular drivers to deliver meals just one Saturday a month. Substitute drivers will deliver on an as-needed basis. If you can help, please contact Julie Robinson at jrobinson@stlukesokc.org, or 609-1009.

Bells of St. Luke's Needs New Members

The Bells of St. Luke's handbell choir is in need of new members who enjoy music and fellowship. This group of musicians meets from August - May and enjoys playing in services and special events throughout the year. The ability to read music is helpful, but not required. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, August 24 at 7:45 p.m. in the Bell Room. Please contact Cynthia Adair, Director at opatmom50@cox.net or call 232-1371 for more information.

Wednesday Night Alive

The middle of your week is about to come alive! Yes, St. Luke's "Wednesday Night Alive" is back! The 2016 Fall session of WNA offers a variety of amazing classes for everyone - children, youth, and adults. Dinner will be served at 5:15 p.m. (\$5 for adults - children 12 and under eat free). Classes start at 6:30 p.m. The Fall session runs from September 7 through October 26 (Fall festival is Oct. 26).

Pet Ministry Meeting

Do you have a heart for animals? St. Luke's loves them! You're invited to join us for a Pet Ministry meeting, which will focus on planning the next "Pet Blessing" event. The meeting will be Tuesday, August 16, from 6 - 7 p.m. in the Mansion Library. Come connect with other members of the St. Luke's family of faith who love our furry friends! RSVP online at stlukesokc.org - or by emailing petministry@stlukesokc.org - or by calling Morgan Jones at 600-3415.

Youth Pool Hop Today

Want to hop in a pool? 6th - I2th grade youth are invited to a fun afternoon of fellowship and swimming at homes of youth families today from noon - 3 p.m. There's no cost. Just show up and lunch will be provided.

Youth Discovery Weekend

As summer nears its end, our youth will begin a spiritual weekend to remember. It's called Youth Discovery Weekend, August 26 - 28, at St. Luke's. Students will experience God's love, the joy and forgiveness of Christ, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This event is designed for middle school students with high school students involved in leadership roles. The cost is \$40. Sign up by August 21 at stlukesokc.org.

Youth Lunch Bunch

Let's go to lunch! Join the Youth Lunch Bunch for fun fellowship and a delicious afternoon at Irma's Burger Shack on Sunday, August 14, from 12 - 2 p.m. All 6th-12th grade youth are invited. Bring a friend and money for food. For more information, contact Amy Givens: agivens@ stlukesokc.org - or call 609-1027.