

In Matters of
LIFE AND DEATH AND LIFE

Second Sunday in Lent
February 25, 2018
at Ten Fifty A.M.



St. Luke's
United Methodist Church

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.

Hymnals, Bibles, 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.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Gabriel Fauré

Pavanne

Robert Fasol, *organist*

RINGING OF THE BELLS

†HYMN 157

DUKE STREET

Jesus Shall Reign

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run; His kingdom spread from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Jesus endless prayer be made, and endless praises crown His head; His name like sweet perfume shall rise with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on His love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on His name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns; all prisoners leap and loose their chains; the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Phil Greenwald

We gather to worship God,
the One who gives us life.

Life is ours to live;

we are called to choose joy and meaning.

Jesus set us free from all that would hold us back;

fear and worry do not control us.

Let us celebrate the peace we have in God:

we are not limited;

Christ has shown us the way

to a more abundant life!

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

†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. David Poteet

The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness; make Thy way plain before my face.

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Camden Rose Byrnes, daughter of Michael and Jenna Byrnes, born on June 20, 2017.

BAPTISM SONG

Camden, Camden God claims you. God helps you, protects you and loves you too. We this day do all agree a child of God you'll always be. Camden, Camden God claims you. God helps you, protects you and loves you too.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Camdem surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

†HYMN 133

SHOWALTER

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

ANTHEM

Randy Stonehill

Shut de Dō
Chancel Choir

Robert Fasol, piano/conductor

Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night. Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Light de candle, ev'ry thin's alright. Light de candle ev'ry thin's alright.

Oh, when I was a baby child, (shut de dō, keep out de devil.) Good and bad was just a game. (Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night.) Many years and many trials, (shut de dō, keep out de devil,) they proved to me they're not the same. (Shut de do, keep de devil in the night.)

Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night. Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Light de candle, ev'ry thin's alright. Light de candle ev'ry thin's alright.

Oh Satan is an evil charmer, (shut de dō, keep out the de devil.) He's hungry for a soul to hurt. (Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night.) And without your holy armor, (Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night.) He will eat you for dessert! Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night.

Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night. Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Light de candle, ev'ry thin's alright. Light de candle ev'ry thin's alright.

Say der, hey, hey, hey, shut de dō. Hey, hey, hye, shut de dō. (Keep out de devil.) Hey, hey, hey, you better shut de dō. Say a prayer, he won't be back no more.

My mama use to sing this song, (shut de dō, keep out de devil.) Papa used to sing it too. (Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night.) Jesus called and took them home. (Shut de dō, keep out the de devil.) And so I sing this song for you.

Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night. Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Light de candle, ev'ry thin's alright. Light de candle ev'ry thin's alright.

You better shut de dō, keep out de devil. Shut de dō, keep de devil in the night. Shut de dō, keep out de devil. Children, light de candle, ev'ry thin's alright. Light de candle ev'ry thin's alright.

LIFE AT ST. LUKE'S

Rev. Phil Greenwald

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Dr. Robert E. Long

OFFERTORY

arr. Diane Bish

It Is Well with My Soul
Meagan Seubert, *vocalist*
Robert Fasol, *piano*

When peace, like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul. It is well with my, it is well with my soul."

My sin O, the joy of this glorious thought my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more: praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll: the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend, "Even so" it is well with my soul. It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul. It is well with my soul!

†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.

†THE GOSPEL

Rev. Wendy Lambert

While the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him. (Luke 5:1-11)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dr. Robert E. Long

“In spite of my fears...”

From the Sermon Series: In Matters of Life and Death and Life

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.

†HYMN 529

FOUNDATION

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent word! What more can He say than to you He hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

MISSION TEAM COMMISSIONING

Dr. Robert E. Long

Honduras Team Members

Gary Brown, Nancy Flowers, Paul Hulseberg, John Humphrey,
Leon Jingoian, Hannah Lambert, Janice Low, Charlie Ludden,
Shelly Mills, Natalie Morgan (team leader)

†SENDING FORTH

Dr. Robert E. Long

Fears and worry do not control us;
we have been set free by Christ!

Jesus came that we might have life
and have it more abundantly.

We are committed to living life to the fullest
for ourselves and the sake of others!

POSTLUDE

Gilbert Martin

Toccata: Jesus Shall Reign
Robert Fasol, organist

LEADING IN WORSHIP

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Senior Pastor

Rev. Wendy Lambert

Senior Executive Pastor

Rev. Phil Greenwald

Executive Pastor of Administration

Rev. David Poteet

Pastor of Congregational Care

Musicians

Robert Fasol, Organist/Choirmaster

Chancel Choir

Meagan Seubert, Soloist

Holy Communion is offered this morning in Watchorn Chapel at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. It is served by the Congregational Care Ministry Team.



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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 January:

Downtown: Diane Cross, Mark and JoAnn Schlegel, Donna Spaulding, Mark Sliphorst, John and DeeAnn Dolan, Gregory and Paula Belt, Mark and Gloria Banister, Mary Rachel Bailey

Edmond: Laura and Chris Mitchel, Derek Caswell and Allison Murphree, Carrie Owens, Christopher Morris, Danielle and Justin Covalt, Lucy and Dylan Perry, Stacy Coleman, Brock Coleman



Date _____

Worship Service: 8:30 9:40 10:50

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

- 1st Time Guest
- 2nd Time Guest
- Regular Guest
- St. Luke's Member

Names and Birth Dates of Children With You

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Announcements

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



Telling the Story Video Booth

As part of the "Telling the Story" annual theme, St. Luke's wants you to be able to share your story as well. We've set up video booths around campus for you to tell us about your faith journey, favorite Bible verses, faith traditions in your family, greatest inspirations, life lessons, and more! Each week there will be different questions you can answer, or feel free to share a story that's on your heart. You'll see easy-to-follow instructions at the video booths to record your story.

Everyone has a story. What's yours?

Alaska Mission Trip

Space is still available to be part of the third St. Luke's mission trip to Alaska. The team will continue our work with the First UMC of Wasilla to help complete outdoor work (cutting down trees, clearing brush, roof repair), painting inside the church, spending time with children at the hospital and working at homeless shelters. Everyone will be staying with host families. All ages are invited to be a part of this trip. Cost is \$1,200. Dates are July 6 - 13, 2018. If interested please contact Rev. Connie Barnett at cbarnett@stlukesokc.org or call 808-4629.

Volunteer for the Congregational Care Ministry

Do you love helping others and offering a word of encouragement? The St. Luke's Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) would love for you to join our team! CCM provides care, concern, and prayer for our entire family of faith. With a card, phone call, or visit, you can help so many people going through hard times (divorce, health, job loss, financial, etc). In addition, our "St. Luke's @ Home" Ministry helps our homebound members stay connected with their church. To learn more about these ministries, or find out how you can volunteer, email Lauren Clanin at lclanin@stlukesokc.org or call 232-1371.

El Sistema Oklahoma Mid-Winter Concert

You're invited to a free El Sistema Mid-Winter Concert that will showcase all the hard work our young students are putting in. Come hear us celebrate our theme "Super Heroes, Super Kids" on Thursday, March 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Oklahoma City Community College Visual and Performing Arts Center (7777 S May).

Experience Yoga and Live Music

What's better than relaxing music? Relaxing music while doing yoga! Join Tisha Tate and Robert Fasol for a gentle yoga class and live music experience today at 3 p.m. in the Worship Center at the Edmond Campus. Tisha will guide an all-levels yoga class, designed to help you feel better in your body and more peaceful in your mind. Meanwhile, St. Luke's Downtown Campus Choirmaster, Robert Fasol, will treat everyone with a beautiful performance on the piano. The class is FREE and open to the community. Bring a friend (and your yoga mat). No RSVP required.

Prayer Requests or Questions: _____

How did you first hear about St. Luke's?

- TV Radio Web Other
 I'm a guest of _____.

Age Group

- 6th-12th Grade College 18-30
 31-40 41-50 51-59 60+

I would like more info about:

- Children's Programs
 Youth (6th to 12th grade) Programs
 Classes for Adults
 Volunteer Opportunities
 Other _____

Joining

- I wish to join St. Luke's
If you wish to join St. Luke's this morning, please bring this card to the front during the last song instead of placing it in the offering basket.
- I would like to know more about membership.
- I'm interested in joining but don't want to come to the front.
- Contact me about other ways to join.

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Wednesday Night Alive

Come and join your Family of Faith on Wednesday evenings at Wednesday Night Alive! The menu for the next WNA is chicken, pulled pork, mac and cheese, coleslaw, rolls, dessert bars, and peach frozen yogurt. (\$5 for adults - children 12 and under eat free). Classes start at 6:30 p.m. More information about classes is online at stlukesokc.org/wna.

Trip to the Holy Land and Jordan!

You're invited to join Rev. Wendy Lambert on a trip to the Holy Land and Jordan, May 30 - June 9, 2018. It will be a journey that can truly deepen your faith, enhance your connection to your family of faith, and make the Bible come alive! There are brochures at the Welcome Centers or online at stlukesokc.org. For more information, contact Wendy at wlambert@stlukesokc.org.

Lenten Devotionals

The staff has written devotionals for the Lenten Season. You can pick up a copy of these devotional booklets at the Welcome Center today. If you would rather have a digital version: follow [Facebook.com/stlukesokc](https://www.facebook.com/stlukesokc) or sign up for the Devotional Email at stlukesokc.org.

Youth Winter Olympics

The Winter Olympics are coming to St. Luke's! Our wonderful youth will be holding their own version of the Games - a fun competition that will represent the entire world's effort to win a gold medal! The Youth Winter Olympics are today from noon - 2:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. All 6th - 12th grade students are invited to simply show up for a free lunch and a fun experience.

Youth Spring Break Mission Trip Parent Meeting

Is your child going on a Spring Break mission trip? Then you're invited to a parent and team member meeting for the upcoming trips to Kansas City and New Mexico - next Sunday, March 4, at 1:30 p.m. at the Downtown Campus Youth Room. The two groups will serve communities, explore new areas, and have a blast on these

life-changing trips! Middle School students will go to K.C. on March 18-21, and High School students will go to the Navajo Reservation in New Mexico on March 18-24. For details, email Amy Givens at agivens@stlukesokc.org, or call 609-1027.

OCU Youth Service Day

Mark your calendar for a fun and meaningful day of service and prayer at OCU Youth Service Day! Join other United Methodist youth groups from around the state in worship and fellowship on the OCU campus - then help serve the OKC community together. It's Saturday, March 3, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Oklahoma City University. All 6th-12th grade youth are invited. Sign up online at stlukesokc.org. A permission form is needed to participate. There's no cost, and lunch is provided on campus!

