



Twenty-seventh Sunday
After Pentecost
November 25, 2018
at Ten Fifty A.M.



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

Vladimir Bakaleinikoff

Meditation

Daryl Nagode, *trombone*

RINGING OF THE BELLS

†HYMN 166

SINE NOMINE

All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

All praise to Thee, for Thou, O King divine, didst yield the glory that of right was Thine, that in our darkened hearts Thy grace might shine: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou cam'st to us, in lowliness of thought; by Thee the outcast and the poor were sought, and by Thy death was God's salvation wrought: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let this mind be in us which was in Thee, Who wast a servant, that we might be free, humbling Thyself to death on Calvary: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Wherefore by God's eternal purpose, Thou art high exalted o'er all creatures now, and given the name to which all knees shall bow: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let every tongue confess with one accord in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord; and God the Father be by all adored: Alleluia! Alleluia!

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Phil Greenwald

God calls us to live in harmony;

there is one God of all.

We were created to care for one another;

there is one God over all.

Joy is found in serving together;

there is one God in all.

Let us strive to be kind and patient;

there is one God of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

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

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

Maxwell Roger Glaser, son of Graham and Sarah Glaser, born on August 11, 2018.

BAPTISM SONG

Maxwell, Maxwell 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. Maxwell, Maxwell 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 Maxwell surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

ANTHEM

arr. Henry Pfohl

Rejoice, the Lord Is King
Chancel Choir

Rejoice, the Lord is king: your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His Kingdom cannot fail; He rules o'er earth and heav'n; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He all His foes shall quell, shall all our sins destroy, and ever'ry bosom swell with pure seraphic joy: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice, the Lord is king: your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! Again I say, rejoice!

LIFE AT ST. LUKE'S

Rev. Phil Greenwald

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Wendy Lambert

OFFERTORY

J.E. Barat

Allegro
Daryl Nagode, *trombone*

†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 EPISTLE

Dr. Gary Brown

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all. (Ephesians 4:1 - 6)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Wendy Lambert

One God, of All and in All

MUSICAL REFLECTION

J.S. Bach

God, My Shepherd
Courtney McPhail, *soloist*

God, my shepherd, walks beside me, and I know His way is best, God, my shepherd, walks beside me, God, my shepherd, walks beside me, and I know His way is best, and I know His way is best.

Where His tender care doth guide me, shall no evil e'er betide me, in His love I calmly rest; where His tender care doth guide me, shall no evil e'er betide me, shall no evil, shall no evil betide me, in His love I calmly rest.

God, my shepherd, walks beside me, God, my shepherd, walks beside me, and I know His way is best; in His love I calmly rest.

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

ST. PETER

In Christ There Is No East or West

In Christ there is no east or west, in Him no south or north; but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; His service is the golden cord close binding humankind.

In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek, and neither slave nor free; both male and female heirs are made, and all are kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west, in Him meet south and north; all Christly souls are one in Him throughout the whole wide earth.

†SENDING FORTH

Rev. Wendy Lambert

Christ leads us to reconciliation.

We will follow Him and forgive one another.

Christ is the example of how to treat one another.

We will show patience and love.

Christ has shown us the way.

We will share the love He shares with us!

POSTLUDE

Noël Goemanne

Rejoice!

Robert Fasol, *organist*

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Wendy Lambert

Senior Executive Pastor

Rev. Phil Greenwald

Executive Pastor of Administration

Rev. David Poteet

Pastor of Congregational Care

Dr. Gary Brown

St. Luke's Member

Musicians

Robert Fasol, Organist/Choirmaster

Chancel Choir

Courtney McPhail, Soloist

Daryl Nagode, Trombone

Sermon Notes



The Bible was written long ago by many different people on the other side of the world, we still recognize our own lives throughout scripture in the successes, failures, relationship struggles, and our need to be accepted. The more we know about the Bible, the more we learn about ourselves and those around us. In 2018, we seek to learn more about how the stories in scripture tell us about God, because God's story is our story.



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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 and 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 October

Downtown: Fred Lybrand, J.T. Boswell, Jason and Kayla Christopher, Kristin Lam, Scott and Paula Nicholson, Clark and Paige Wilson, Brandt and Austin Sterling, Lisa Bewley

Edmond: Brian and Sydney West, Taylor Lambert, Lusía Torres, Andrea Schmauch, Jordan and Jane Metcalf

Communication Card

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.



El Sistema Winter Concert

Enjoy the beautiful transformation of young lives through music at the Winter Concert for El Sistema Oklahoma. This free performance will feature all of the El Sistema ensembles and close with a mass orchestra performance featuring all the children. Join us Tuesday, December 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the Oklahoma City Community College Visual and Performing Arts Center (7777 S. May).



Faith Partners Information

Many of us know how much suffering is caused by an addiction. People can feel trapped and don't know where to turn - or they feel too ashamed to ask for help. That's where Faith Partners steps in. As a volunteer, you can help someone break free from the paralyzing grip of addiction. Stop by the Gallery today to learn more about Faith Partners and how you can support or benefit from this ministry. For details, email [Beth Armstrong at barmstrong@stlukesokc.org](mailto:barmstrong@stlukesokc.org).



Membership Worship Service

Celebrate the beginning of the Advent season by officially joining St. Luke's. On Wednesday, December 5, at 6 p.m. (right before the Christmas Choir concert) a Membership Worship Service will be held in the Mansion Chapel. This service offers an opportunity to become a member of the St. Luke's family of faith in a private, worshipful setting. It will feature music, Communion, and a special message from Rev. Dave Poteet. There will also be an opportunity for baptism for those who have not yet been baptized. Childcare is provided, and family members are invited to attend! No RSVP required. For details, email [Morgan Jones at mjones@stlukesokc.org](mailto:mjones@stlukesokc.org) or call 609-1028.

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.

■ Announcements

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

Honduras Mission Trip

Experience a life-changing mission trip to the island of Roatan, Honduras! St. Luke's is continuing to build its relationships with the residents of Roatan on two trips next year: May 18-25 and May 25-June 1. Right now, the first trip is already full! There are only a few spots remaining for the second trip. The cost is \$1,650 which includes airfare, lodging, construction costs, and most meals. A payment plan is available, and a deposit is due by December 1 to secure your spot. For details, email Julie Robinson at jrobinson@stlukesokc.org.

Travel to Washington D.C.

Here's your chance to visit the incredible Museum of the Bible in Washington D.C. - the largest collection of biblical artifacts and texts in the world! St. Luke's is offering two trips next year: April 1 - 5, led by Rev. Wendy Lambert, and May 15 - 19 (for adults in their 20's and 30's), led by Dr. Bob Long. Both trips will include a few other culturally significant sites. The April 1-5 trip includes museum admissions, hotel room, flight, and a "Hop on Hop Off" tour of the city. Cost for this trip is \$1,359 per person. The Young Adults trip (May 15-19) is \$350 per person for a shared rental home and flights are booked on your own. Limit of 16 for this trip. For details, email Beth Armstrong at barmstrong@stlukesokc.org or call 609-1045.

Youth Christmas Decorating

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas for our Youth! Today, right after church (12 - 2:30 p.m.) we'll be decorating areas in our church for Christmas! Holiday music will be playing as we get into the Christmas spirit and make our space a beautiful and festive place. All 6th-12th grade students are invited, and lunch is provided.

Youth Lunch Bunch

It's almost time for the December Youth Lunch Bunch! Next Sunday, right after church (12-2:30 p.m.), we'll head out for lunch together at a local restaurant. It's a great time to get connected with others or bring a friend. If it's your first time, we'll treat you to lunch! All 6th-12th grade youth are invited. Don't forget to bring money for food.



Youth Spring Break Mission Trips

We're already planning for Spring Break! High school students will take a trip to Los Angeles on March 17-23. Through *Next Step Ministries*, we'll focus on homeless and relational ministry in LA. Travel, food, lodging, mission opportunities, and two days at Disneyland is \$875. A \$200 deposit is due by December 9 and another \$200 deposit by Jan. 13, with the remaining balance due in March. Middle school students are heading to Branson from March 17-20. We'll focus on service projects but we'll also attend the show "Samson" at Sight and Sound Theater and go to Silver Dollar City! The cost is \$250 which includes all food, travel, lodging, service projects, and fun events. A \$100 deposit will be due on January 27 and the remaining balance due in March. Email Amy Givens for details at agivens@stlukesokc.org or call 609-1027.

THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD

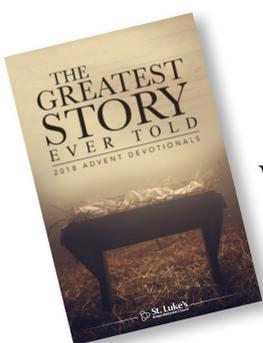
ADVENT SERMON SERIES



Won't you be my neighbor for the All Church Christmas Party? Let's celebrate St. Luke's accomplishments for 2018 with parties at the Downtown and Edmond Campuses. This year's featured film is "Mister Long's Neighborhood."

Bring your family to the St. Luke's Christmas Party at the Edmond Campus, December 2, or at the Downtown Campus, on December 9. The Gathering Hour starts at 4 p.m. and a delicious dinner and program begins at 5 p.m.

Both campuses will enjoy the same presentation with the Downtown Campus conducting the Annual Business Meeting before the presentation. Tickets are \$10 for those attending the program. Children will enjoy their own Christmas Party with games and activities at 5 p.m. Tickets are available for \$5. Tickets can be purchased at Threefold for either event.



Advent Devotionals
are available at the
Welcome Center, online,
and on Facebook.

Advent Events

Children's Christmas Musical
Downtown - Sunday Dec. 2
Edmond - Sunday Dec. 9

"Mister Long's Neighborhood"
St. Luke's Christmas Party
Edmond Sunday, Dec. 2
Downtown Sunday, Dec. 9
Holiday Open House at 4 p.m.
Dinner and Movie at 5 p.m.

The Sounds of Christmas
Downtown - Wednesday Dec. 5
Edmond - Wednesday Dec. 12

LifeLight Christmas Concert
Downtown - Sunday, Dec. 16

Special Needs Worship Service
Edmond - Sunday Dec. 16

Angel of Hope Service
Downtown - Sunday, Dec. 16

Dinner with Love
Downtown - Saturday, Dec. 22

**Christmas Eve Candlelight
Worship Services**
Monday, Dec. 24

Downtown
*2:30 p.m. - Traditional with
Holy Communion*
4:30 p.m. - Family
6:30 p.m. - Traditional

Edmond
2 p.m. - Family
4 p.m. - Family
6:30 p.m. - Traditional
*11 p.m. - Traditional with Holy
Communion*

Asbury
*4 p.m. - Traditional with Holy
Communion*

Poinsettia Order Form

In honor of

In memory of

Name: _____

Given By: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Number of Plants: _____ @ \$20 each Check for \$_____ attached

Downtown Campus

Edmond Campus

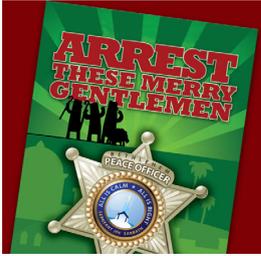
Orders must be turned in by December 16.

If you purchase a poinsettia, they will be used to decorate during Advent.

You may take the poinsettia home after the Christmas Eve Service.

Poinsettia Sale

There is a special way to honor and remember loved ones and special people in your life this Advent season. Donate a Christmas poinsettia for \$20 each. These poinsettias are a part of our beautifully decorated facilities and displayed throughout the season to be enjoyed by many. Tear off the order form above and return by December 16.



Children's Christmas Musical

December 2 at 3 p.m. in the Christian Life Center

Get ready for the most adorable musical of the Christmas season! You're invited to the Children's Christmas Musical - *Arrest These Merry Gentlemen*. A Christmas party will follow! It will be a wonderful afternoon of fellowship and Christmas joy!



The Sounds of Christmas

Downtown Campus - December 5 - Pre-Concert at 6:30, Concert at 7 p.m.

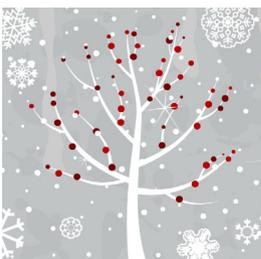
Edmond Campus - December 12 at 6:30 p.m.

What a better way to begin the Advent season than with amazing music and your family of faith at The Sounds of Christmas Concert. Each concert will include the choir and orchestra. The Downtown concert will start at 6:30 p.m. with a pre-concert in the Narthex. A Holiday Reception will follow each event.



Christmas Offering

Each year, the St. Luke's family of faith joins together in a special, second-mile offering. 100% of the funds raised will be used to bless the lives of others through ministries and missions supported by St. Luke's. Simply text "STL Give" to 73256 and follow the links to donate to the Christmas Offering. Donations can be made during service or by contacting the Finance Department.



Mission Trees

Share God's love this Christmas season by picking up an ornament from the Mission Tree in the Gallery to see items you can purchase to help those in need. Mobile Meals, Studio 222, Rancho Village, and the Honduras Mission Trip will all benefit from this year's Mission Tree donations. Drop off donations in the Gallery.