



Second Sunday of Easter  
25th Anniversary of the Bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah  
Building on April 19, 1995

April 19, 2020  
at Ten Fifty A.M.

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

arr. Mack Wilberg

*Amazing Grace*  
Choral and Instrumental Ensembles  
Robert Fasol, *organist/conductor*

RINGING OF THE BELLS

†HYMN 159

CRUCIFER

*Lift High the Cross*

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name.*

*Come, Christians follow this triumphant sign. The hosts of God in unity combine. Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name.*

*Each newborn servant of the Crucified bears on the brow the seal of Him who died. Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name.*

*O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as Thou hast promised, draw the world to Thee. Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name.*

*So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name.*

## WE REMEMBER

†CALL TO REMEMBER

Rev. Wendy Lambert

There are certain moments in our lives that will never leave us. They become part of the fabric of our identity. While they impact us personally, they do not belong to any one individual, but rather to all of us together.

**These are the times that remind us of just how much we share.**

We rejoice over the same kind of celebrations;

**We grieve over the same kind of tragedies.**

This morning we come together to be reminded that we are all the children of God and we weep over the same things that break the heart of God.

For all of the moments of April 19th, 1995,

**For all of the lives that were lost,**

For all of the lives that were permanently impacted,

**We pause today to remember.**

MOMENT OF SILENCE

## REFLECTION

Howard Goodall

*Lacrymosa: Do not stand at my grave and weep*  
St. Luke's Choral and Instrumental Ensembles  
Robert Fasol, *organist/conductor*

The memorial stone on the altar was given to St. Luke's and reads, "St. Luke's UMC and all volunteers who worked to ease the pain and suffering of those affected by the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Building, April 19, 1995."

*Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the softly falling snow. I am the gentle showers of rain, I am the fields of ripening grain. I am in the morning hush, I am in the grateful rush of far off birds in circling flight. I am the star shine of the night.*

*Lacrymosa dies illa, lacrymosa dies illa.*

*I am in ev'ry flower that blooms, I am in still empty rooms. I am the child that yearns to sing: I am in each lovely thing. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there. I did not die.*

## WE GIVE THANKS

### CALL TO GIVE THANKS

Rev. David Poteet

There are certain moments of our lives that, when we live them we will not fully see all that is happening.

**It is not until we look back, that we can see God was our refuge and strength, our very present help in trouble.**

It is not until later that we can recognize the love of God manifest through the lives of others. For all of the simple acts of kindness that happened on that day,

**For all of the healing that has since taken place,**

For the outpouring of love on behalf of our community,

**We pause today to give thanks.**

### PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. David Poteet

## REFLECTION

arr. Mark Hayes

*Prayer of the Children*  
Choral and Instrumental Ensembles  
Robert Fasol, *piano/conductor*

The Oklahoma Flag being displayed bears the symbols of our great state. Our state salute remains steadfast as "I salute the flag of the State of Oklahoma. Its symbols of peace unite all people."

The Bible on the altar represents our gratitude for the written Word of God. Through Scripture, the living Christ meets us in the experience of redeeming grace.

*Can you hear the prayer of the children, on bended knee in the shadow of an unknown room? Eyes with no more tears to cry, turning heavenward toward the light.*

*Cryin' Jesus, help me to see the mornin' light of one more day. But if I should die before I wake, I pray my soul to take.*

*Can you feel the hearts of the children, aching for home, for something of their very own? Reaching hands with nothing to hold onto, but hope for a better day, a better day.*

*Cryin' Jesus, help me to feel the love again in my own land. But if unknown roads lead away from home, give me loving arms away from harm.*

*Can you hear the voice of the children, softly pleading for silence in their shattered world? Angry souls preach a gospel of hate, blood of the innocent on their hands.*

*Cryin' Jesus, help me to feel the sun again upon my face. For when darkness clears I know You're near, bringing peace again.*

*Dali čujete sve dječje molitve? (Do you hear all the children's prayers?) Can you hear the prayer of the children?*

## LIFE AT ST. LUKE'S

Rev. Josh Attaway

## MISSION MOMENT

### DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Dr. Robert E. Long

### OFFERTORY

arr. Craig Courtney

#### *I Will Rise*

Candace Fish, Marcy Gonzales and Savannah White, *vocalists*  
Choral and Instrumental Ensembles

Robert Fasol, *piano/conductor*

*There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail. There's an anchor for my soul. I can say, "It is well." Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed. The victory is won, He is risen from the dead. And I will rise when He calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain, I will rise on eagle's wings. Before my God fall on my knees and rise. I will rise.*

*There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light. And the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes. Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed. The victory is won, He is risen from the dead. And I will rise when He calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain, I will rise on eagle's wings. Before my God fall on my knees and rise. I will rise.*

*And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!" And I hear the cry of every longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb!" And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!" And I hear the cry of every longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb!"*

*I will rise when He calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain. I will rise on eagle's wings. Before my God fall on my knees and rise. I will rise!*

## †DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## WE MOVE FORWARD

## †THE PSALMS

Rev. David Potteet

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God will help her right early. The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*

(Psalm 46:1 - 7)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

Dr. Robert E. Long

*Our Hope for Years to Come*

## REFLECTION

arr. Tenth Avenue North

#### *I Have This Hope*

Marcy Gonzales, *soloist*

Hayden Coie, *piano*

The Christ Candle on the altar represents our call to be the light of the world. The future generations will continue to carry the flame into the future.

*As I walk this great unknown, questions come and questions go. Was there purpose for the pain? Did I cry these tears in vain?*

*I don't want to live in fear, I want to trust that You are near. Trust Your grace can be seen in both triumph and tragedy.*

*I have this hope in the depth of my soul. In the flood or the fire You're with me and You won't let go.*

*But sometimes my faith feels thin, Like the night will never end. Will You catch every tear or will You just leave me here?*

*But I have this hope in the depth of my soul. In the flood or the fire You're with me and You won't let go.*

*So, whatever happens I will not be afraid 'cause You are closer than this breath that I take. You calm the storm when I hear You call my name, I still believe that one day I'll see Your face.*

*And I have this hope in the depth of my soul. In the flood or the fire You're with me. I have this hope in the depth of my soul. In the flood or the fire You're with me and You won't let go. In the flood or the fire You're with me and You won't let go.*

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

### †HYMN 117

ST. ANNE

#### *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

*O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.*

*Under the shadow of Thy throne, still may we dwell secure; sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.*

*Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting, Thou art God, to endless years the same.*

*A thousand ages, in Thy sight, are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.*

*Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all who breathe away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.*

*O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come; be Thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.*

### †SENDING FORTH

Dr. Robert E. Long

There are certain moments of our lives that shape our history, but they do not define us.

We choose how we will respond to those circumstances in the world around us.

One tragic moment of violence will not put an end to the reign of God's mercy.

**We will grieve, but we will not be held back.**

We will remember, but we will not surrender to the past.

For the gift of life that is still ours to enjoy,

**For the future generations that need our love,**

For all of the joy that lies ahead,

**We commit ourselves to live life to the fullest.**

### POSTLUDE

Aaron Copland

#### *Fanfare for the Common Man*

Robert Fasol, *organist*

## LEADING IN WORSHIP

**Dr. Robert E. Long**

Senior Pastor

**Rev. Wendy Lambert**

Senior Executive Pastor

**Rev. Josh Attaway**

Edmond Campus Pastor

**Rev. David Poteet**

Pastor of Congregational Care

*Musicians*

**Robert Fasol, Organist/Choirmaster**

**Candace Fish, Marcy Gonzalez, Savannah White, Vocalists**

**St. Luke's Choral and Instrumental Ensembles**



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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 the prayer request cards found in the Registration Pads and place them in the offering plates or email to [ccm@stlukesokc.org](mailto: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](http://faithpartners.stlukesokc.org) or email to [ccm@stlukesokc.org](mailto:ccm@stlukesokc.org).

## 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 at [stlukesokc.org/live](http://stlukesokc.org/live).

## Want to Join St. Luke's?

Are you interested in joining the St. Luke's mission to share, grow and serve? You can join St. Luke's on Sunday morning during Worship. For more information about membership contact Morgan Jones, Hospitality Coordinator at 609-1028 or [mjones@stlukesokc.org](mailto:mjones@stlukesokc.org).

## Welcome to Our Newest Members Joining in March:

*Downtown:* Tom and Kate Maness, Steve and Cindy Whitfield, Patty Pope, Jennifer Keel, Jesse Chesnut and Katharine Reeder, Tom Erbar, SuAn Burton, Bridger and Michelle Cox, Matt and Lindsey Zabel

*Edmond:* Jim and Cynde Clark, John and Tara Smith

The flowers in the Chancel today are given to the glory of God:  
*In memory of Leslie Landis given by John and Judy Landis*

## One Church with Multiple Campuses

**Downtown Campus**  
222 NW 15th Street  
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[stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org)

**Edmond Campus**  
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## Sharing God's Love and Bringing Hope to the World

The mission of St. Luke's is to share God's love and bring hope to the world. We accomplish that by sharing the message of Christ, growing in our faith, and serving the community.

## FOOD OUTREACH MINISTRY

St. Luke's is offering a helping hand to those who have been impacted by COVID-19. For many, sudden unemployment has put a tremendous strain on their ability to put food on the table. We are partnering with our church family, OG&E, the Oklahoma City-County Health Department, local restaurants, Feed the Children and the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma to provide fresh produce and meals to keep children, seniors and families fed during this crisis. Below are some of the ways we are helping our neighbors and opportunities to make a difference.

### Food Programs

#### Mobile Market

The Mobile Market truck is distributing meals and fresh produce to families who have expressed a need and have applied for help. Delivery of food will be to select locations around the metro on Tuesdays and Fridays. Each week we hope to be helping over 5,000 people. If you or someone you know needs help please fill out the form "I Need Help" online at [stlukesokc.org/help](http://stlukesokc.org/help).

#### Meals on Wheels Oklahoma City

A hot meal is available to seniors in Oklahoma City as part of the Meals on Wheels program. Participants must be 60 years of age or older and must require significant assistance to leave their home. If you or a loved one are 60 years of age or older, homebound, and have no one who can prepare meals, you may apply to receive home-delivered meals by completing the application online at [endinghungerokc.org](http://endinghungerokc.org).

### Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are needed throughout the week to help with St. Luke's Food Outreach Ministry. Volunteers will follow CDC guidelines for health and safety, however to follow social distancing guidelines, we must limit the number of volunteers each shift. Don't worry if you aren't called for a shift immediately, we will have more opportunities opening up daily! To sign up please go to [stlukesokc.org/help](http://stlukesokc.org/help) and fill out the form "I CAN HELP" and you will be contacted with additional steps to follow.

#### Produce Bag Assembly

Volunteers will help assemble over 200 bags of produce in preparation for the Mobile Market routes in the Christian Life Center at the Downtown Campus

**Volunteer Times:** Mondays and Thursdays from 3 - 4:30 p.m.

#### Loading the Mobile Food Truck

Volunteers are needed to help load the mobile food truck that is parked in the south parking lot of the Downtown Campus, NW 14th and Harvey. Look for the semi truck.

**Volunteer Times:** Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:45 - 10:30 a.m.

#### Mobile Market Food Distribution

Volunteers will meet St. Luke's staff and the Mobile Market Truck at the designated distribution point to hand out meals and produce.

#### Volunteer Times and Locations

##### Tuesdays

- 11 a.m. - 12 noon ~ JFK Park, 1824 NE 16th St.
- 12:30 - 1 p.m. ~ Christ Temple Church, 2717 N Kelley Ave.
- 3 - 4 p.m. ~ Uptown Kelley Apartments, 2502 N. Kelley Ave.

##### Fridays

- 11 a.m. - 12 noon ~ Capitol Hill Library, 327 SW 27th St.
- 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. ~ Sears Parking Lot, 6909 E. Reno.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Benevolence Fund**

We have created an Emergency Fund to help those in our Family of Faith who are struggling due to the current physical and economic situations surrounding the Coronavirus Pandemic. All gifts made will go to help those in our community. Donations can be made by online giving ([stlukesokc.org/give](https://stlukesokc.org/give)), texting to give (text "STL" to 73256 and follow the links), mailing in your gifts (222 NW 15th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73103) or calling the Finance Office at 232-1371.

## **Graduation Sunday - May 17**

Congratulations to all our graduates from all of the campuses! You've worked hard to earn that diploma, so St. Luke's wants to recognize and celebrate you on Graduation Sunday, May 17. Fill out an online submission form at [stlukesokc.org/graduationsunday](https://stlukesokc.org/graduationsunday) and include a photo of your high school or college graduate by May 10. They will be recognized during the online service and in the bulletin. For details, email Amy Givens at [agivens@stlukesokc.org](mailto:agivens@stlukesokc.org) or Sarah Cohea at [scohea@stlukesokc.org](mailto:scohea@stlukesokc.org).

## **Pen Pal Program**

We are starting a new "pen pal program" to help connect members of different generations in our family of faith. As we connect, we can pray for each other and kids will learn the importance of writing letters to others as a way to share God's love. If you or your child are interested in participating, you can sign up online at [stlukesokc.org](https://stlukesokc.org) and then you will be assigned a pen pal.

## STAYING CONNECTED DIGITALLY

We are sharing Words of Encouragement and inspiration throughout the week on our Facebook page ([facebook.com/stlukesokc](https://facebook.com/stlukesokc)) and on the website ([stlukesokc.org](https://stlukesokc.org)). You can also search for our YouTube channel to see all of these videos and other new videos daily.

- **Coffee with Bob**

Each morning, around 8 a.m., Dr. Long starts your day with a positive message as you sip your morning coffee. Bob shares words of hope, books he is reading, stories, and scriptures as we continue to find new ways to stay connected.

- **5-Minute Bible Studies with Wendy**

Rev. Wendy Lambert brings a short scriptural message each evening around 9 p.m. meant to help us dive deeper into the stories found in the book of Genesis.

- **Word of Encouragement**

The St. Luke's pastors have come together to offer a word of hope in these challenging times.

- **Inspirational Music**

Take a moment to enjoy the gift of music by the talented musicians at St. Luke's. New music by the Worship Team has been added, you can enjoy *Down to the River to Pray* or *How Great Thou Art* and even take a virtual tour of the Downtown Campus organ.

## **Women of Faith Bible Study**

The Women of Faith Bible Study group is taking part in a study based on the book "31 Verses to Write on Your Heart," by Liz Curtis. This is a digital meeting on Zoom at noon on Thursdays. If you are interested in taking part in this study contact Amy Givens - [agivens@stlukesokc.org](mailto:agivens@stlukesokc.org).

## **Youth Meeting Online**

St. Luke's Youth are meeting regularly at 7:30 p.m. on Sundays and Wednesdays through Instagram Live followed by Zoom breakout rooms. Follow the Instagram account [@stlukesokcyouth](https://instagram.com/stlukesokcyouth) for encouragement and connection throughout the week.

## **Virtual Children's Sunday School**

All Children are invited to be part of a Virtual Sunday School Lesson each Sunday at 10 a.m. This is an interactive class that meets on Zoom and you can learn more at [stlukesokc.org/vcss](https://stlukesokc.org/vcss) or email [teasttom@stlukesokc.org](mailto:teasttom@stlukesokc.org) for more information.

## **Weekday Children's Moment**

Children can grow in faith during a virtual class designed for children and families Monday - Thursday at 10 a.m. You can learn more at [stlukesokc.org/vcss](https://stlukesokc.org/vcss) or email [teasttom@stlukesokc.org](mailto:teasttom@stlukesokc.org) for more information.