

# Love WITHOUT Exception

## St. Luke's LifeLight Worship

January 10, 2021

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 are inspired by a message of hope and ready to embrace life in the week ahead.

### Leading in Worship:

**Dr. Robert E. Long**

Senior Pastor

**Rev. Josh Attaway**

Edmond Campus Pastor

**Savannah White**

Campus Director of LifeLight  
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**Sarah Cohea**

Campus Director of Youth  
Ministry

**Mervin Tay**

Downtown Campus Director  
of LifeLight Worship

**St. Luke's LifeLight Band**

### Welcome and Call to Worship

Rev. Josh Attaway

### Time of Praise

St. Luke's LifeLight Band

*Let God Arise*

*What a Beautiful Name*

*Glory to Glory*

### Life at St. Luke's

Rev. Josh Attaway

### Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Rev. Josh Attaway

### Offertory

St. Luke's LifeLight Band

*Run to the Father*

### The Epistle

Sarah Cohea

It is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right.

(1 Corinthians 13:5 - 6)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### The Message

Dr. Bob Long

*Love Doesn't Insist on It's Own Way*

From the Sermon Series: Love Without Exception

### Invitation and Sending Forth

Rev. Josh Attaway

The greatest commandment is to love the Lord our God with our heart, soul, strength, mind, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. What does that kind of life look like? There are numerous examples of love in the Bible, but perhaps the best definition of love is found in the 13th chapter of 1 Corinthians. Join us as we study 1 Corinthians so that we can Love Without Exception.



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### **Run to the Father**

*I've carried a burden for too long on my own. I wasn't created to bear it alone. I hear Your invitation to let it all go. Yeah, I see it now, I'm laying it down and I know that I need You.*

*I run to the Father, I fall into grace. I'm done with the hiding, no reason to wait. My heart needs a surgeon, my soul needs a friend, So, I'll run to the Father, again and again, and again and again.*

*You saw my condition, had a plan from the start. Your Son for redemption, the price for my heart. And I don't have a context for that kind of love. I don't understand, I can't comprehend. All I know is I need You.*

*I run to the Father, I fall into grace. I'm done with the hiding, no reason to wait. My heart needs a surgeon, my soul needs a friend, So, I'll run to the Father, again and again, and again and again.*

*Oh-oh, oh-oh, again and again and again and again.*

*My heart has been in Your sights, long before my first breath. Running into Your arms is running to life from death. And I feel this rush deep in my chest, Your mercy is calling out. Just as I am You pull me in and I know I need You now.*

*I run to the Father, I fall into grace. I'm done with the hiding, no reason to wait. My heart needs a surgeon, my soul needs a friend, So, I'll run to the Father, again and again, and again and again.*

*Oh-oh, oh-oh, again and again and again and again. Again and again.*



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### **Asbury Campus**

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Oklahoma City, OK 73119

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### **Want to Join St. Luke's?**

Are you interested in joining the St. Luke's mission to share, grow and serve the community? You can join St. Luke's each Sunday morning during Worship. Contact Logan Fish, Campus Director of Hospitality at 285-2002 or [lfish@stlukesokc.org](mailto:lfish@stlukesokc.org) for official membership events or to join just before or after the service.

### **Welcome to Our Newest Members Joining in December:**

*Downtown:* Jane and Gerald Gamble, Jim Purcell, Kyle, Paula, Kent and Jack Hall, Christi Johnson-McGhee, Heather and Tyler Whiteside, Cynthia Wilson



## 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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Wednesday Night Alive Returns

We're welcoming the new year with a new Wednesday Night Alive! Starting January 27, the Winter Session of WNA will be completely online for your safety. Several video classes will be taught by St. Luke's clergy and other videos will be available for individuals and small groups to help you grow in your faith. Stay tuned to [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org) for more information coming soon!

### Weekdays with Wendy

To help us all stay connected in 2021, Rev. Wendy Lambert is starting a new video devotional that will be based on the flip calendars that were created for 2020. Every evening she will take the quote or Bible verse for the day and share a short devotional. You will be able to view this on our Facebook and website.

### Love Your Neighbor Daily Calendar

Our theme, "Love Your Neighbor: No Exceptions," will continue in 2021 and to help us remember to love our neighbor, we have an inspirational daily calendar. In the calendar, each day has a quote or scripture that is sure to help us remember to be kind. If you are in need of a calendar, you can stop by the church to pick one up, or request one online at [stlukesokc.org/loveyourneighbor](http://stlukesokc.org/loveyourneighbor).

### WOW Community Group

The Women on Wednesday (WOW) Community Group is starting a new Zoom study, "The Ten Commandments from the Backside," by J. Ellsworth Kalas. The ladies meet on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. For more information and details on how to join the Zoom meeting, please contact Karen Littlefield at [karenlitt1@cox.net](mailto:karenlitt1@cox.net).

### Women of Faith

Women of all ages are invited to start a new study called "Renewed" by Heather M. Dixon. In this four-week study of the Book of Ruth, women glean wisdom from Naomi's perspective, a woman who lived a story she didn't choose or like. Forced to chart a new path as she mourned the loss of her husband and two sons, Naomi learned that the journey from bitterness to renewed hope and joy was rooted in God's promise of redemption. The studies will be online at [stlukesokc.org/faithzoom](http://stlukesokc.org/faithzoom) and will take place on Thursdays, noon - 1 p.m., starting January 14.

### Single Vision Community Group Starts New Study

Do you find it difficult to connect with others? Join a new study for the Single Vision Community Group called "Healing Conversations: Talking Yourself Out of Conflict and Loneliness." This study will bring to life seven elements of how to have deep and fulfilling conversations so that people can connect in a world with so many obstacles. It starts Monday, January 11, and will meet every Monday from 6 - 7 p.m. For details, please email Karen Littlefield at [karenlitt1@cox.net](mailto:karenlitt1@cox.net) or call (405) 323-8312.

### St. Luke's Community Orchestra Spring Session

Do you play an instrument? Used to play? Well dust off the case and rediscover your love of music in the St. Luke's Community Orchestra! The 2021 Spring Session will meet Mondays from 7 - 8:30 p.m. starting January 25 at the Edmond Campus Worship Center. Everyone is invited to play! We will be practicing COVID-19 protocols during rehearsals. Membership dues are \$50, or just \$25 for students. For details, email Sydney Arrendell at [sydneywest@gmail.com](mailto:sydneywest@gmail.com) or call (830) 569-7870.

### **Connect with St. Luke's on Social Media!**

If you love fun, personal, and inspirational messages on your social media channels, be sure to Like/Follow/Subscribe to the St. Luke's social media channels! We are on Facebook (St. Luke's United Methodist Church, St. Luke's Edmond and St. Luke's Asbury), YouTube (St. Luke's United Methodist Church), and Instagram (@stlukesokc). Follow us for extra photos and content throughout the week.

## **FOOD OUTREACH MINISTRY**

### **Meals on Wheels**

Meals On Wheels needs volunteer drivers to deliver hot meals from Monday through Saturday. Routes originate from St. Luke's Asbury and Downtown campuses. You pick the schedule. We need anyone who is willing to drive once a month, once a week, or be an "on call" substitute driver. Sign up at [endinghungerokc.org](http://endinghungerokc.org), complete the background check, then sign up for a shift.

### **Mobile Market Truck Needs Volunteers**

There are many opportunities every Thursday and Friday to help our neighbors in need. Also there are opportunities to help with the Mobile Market stops on the last Saturday of the month. We have a variety of volunteer opportunities **every** week in this important program. For more information or to sign up, please go to [stlukesokc.org/help](http://stlukesokc.org/help).

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

### **Youth Sunday School -**

Missing connections with other students? Looking for a way to grow in your faith as we start the new year? Beginning on January 10, Youth, grades 6 - 12, are invited to a Sunday morning Zoom class at 10 a.m. each Sunday in January. Even on our own devices from our own homes, we can still connect for Bible study and fellowship together! [stlukesokc.org/youthzoom](http://stlukesokc.org/youthzoom).

### **Stay Connected-**

Join Downtown Youth Remind text messages by sending a text to 81010 with the message @stlukesokc. Edmond Youth can connect on Group Me by contacting Sarah. Follow the St. Luke's Youth Instagram @stlukesokcyouth for announcements and photos!