



EDMOND CAMPUS  
SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
2nd Sunday of Easter  
April 11, 2021  
11 A.M.

PRELUDE

Duane Funderburk

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*  
St. Luke's Instrumental Ensemble

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME

Rev. Josh Attaway

†HYMN

NETTLETON

*Christ, You Call Us All to Service*

*Christ, You call us all to service, call us all who follow You; plant in us a deep commitment all Your work and will to do. Fire a passion for Your justice, in us kindle love of peace; help us heal the brokenhearted, to the captive bring release.*

*Teach us how to work together, brothers, sisters, side by side; equal partners in the struggle, in the cause of truth allied. To each one some gift is given, man or woman, young or old; help us use each skill and talent Your great purpose to unfold.*

*Let us be a servant people, reconciling, ending strife; seeking ways more just of sharing and of healing human life. Fill us with a glowing vision of this world as it should be; send us forth to change that vision into blest reality.*

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Josh Attaway

We gather together to worship Christ,  
**the One who has shown us how to love.**

Jesus calls us into the world  
**to care for the needs of others.**

He fills our hearts with compassion  
**to have love for those we do not know.**

We choose a life where we will love our neighbors,  
**love all our neighbors - no exceptions.**

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare.

**We believe in God the Father,**  
**infinite in wisdom, power and love,**  
**whose mercy is over all His works,**  
**and whose will is ever directed to His children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,**  
**Son of God and Son of man,**  
**the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,**  
**the ground of our hope,**  
**and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit**  
**as the divine presence in our lives,**  
**whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ,**  
**and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself  
in the service of love,  
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,  
to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. 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. Josh Attaway

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

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

OFFERTORY

arr. Mark Hayes

*We Are Called*

St. Luke's Choral and Instrumental Ensembles

Dr. Candace Fish, *piano*

Sydney Arrendell, *conductor*

*Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.*

*We are called to act with justice; we are called to love tenderly. We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.*

*Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless, so hatred and violence will be no more.*

*We are called to act with justice; we are called to love tenderly. We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.*

*Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love.*

*We are called to act with justice; we are called to love tenderly; we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.*

*We'll walk humbly with God.*

LIFE AT ST. LUKE'S

Rev. Josh Attaway

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Toto

David Paich / Jeffrey Porcaro

*Africa*

Jay Wilkinson, *soloist*

Instrumental Ensemble

Dr. Candace Fish, *piano*

Sydney Arrendell, *conductor*

*I hear the drums echoing tonight. But she hears only whispers of some quiet conversation. She's coming in, 12:30 flight. The moonlit wings reflect the stars that guide me towards salvation. I stopped an old man along the way, hoping to find some old forgotten words or ancient melodies. He turned to me as if to say, "Hurry boy, it's waiting there for you."*

*It's gonna take a lot to drag me away from you. There's nothing that a hundred men or more could ever do. I bless the rains down in Africa. Gonna take some time to do the things we never had.*

*The wild dogs cry out in the night as they grow restless, longing for some solitary company. I know that I must do what's right. As sure as Kilimanjaro rises like Olympus above the Serengeti. I seek to cure what's deep inside, frightened of this thing that I've become.*

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*Hurry boy, she's waiting there for you.*

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## †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. Josh Attaway

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matthew 28:16 - 20)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

Dr. Robert E. Long

*I Bless the Rains Down in Africa*

From the Sermon Series: Music That Changed the World

## MUSICAL REFLECTION

M. Jackson / L. Richie

*We Are the World*

St. Luke's Choral and Instrumental Ensembles

Dr. Candace Fish, *piano*

Sydney Arrendell, *conductor*

*There comes a time when we heed a certain call, when the world must come together as one. There are people dying and it's time to lend a hand to life, the greatest gift of all. We can't go on pretending day by day that someone, somewhere will soon make a change. We are all a part of God's great big family, and the truth, you know love is all we need.*

*We are the world, we are the children, we are the ones to make a brighter day, so let's start giving.*

*There's a choice we're making, we're saving our own lives, it's true we make a better day, just you and me. Well, send them your heart so they know that someone cares and their lives will be stronger and free. As God has shown us by turning stone to bread, so we all must lend a helping hand.*

*We are the world, we are the children, we are the ones to make a brighter day, so let's start giving.*

*There's a choice we're making, we're saving our own lives, it's true we make a better day, just you and me. When you're down and out, there seems no hope at all. But if you just believe, there's no way we can fall. Well, let us realize that a change will only come when we stand together as one, as one!*

*We are the world, we are the children, we are the ones to make a brighter day, so let's start giving.*

*There's a choice we're making, we're saving our own lives, it's true we make a better day, just you and me.*

*We are the world, we are the world, we are the children, we are the ones to make a brighter day, so let's start giving.*

*There's a choice we're making, we're saving our own children, the children, the children!*

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

### †HYMN

HERE I AM, LORD

#### *Here I Am, Lord*

*"I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?" Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.*

*I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?" Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart. Here I am, here I am, Lord.*

### †SENDING FORTH

Rev. Josh Attaway

We are created in the image of God;  
**which gives us a compassion to others,**  
even to those who are unknown to us,  
**but are known to God.**

Christ sends us into the world  
**to love our neighbors, no exceptions.**

### POSTLUDE

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

*Basse et Dessus de Trompette*  
Dr. Candace Fish, organist

## LEADING IN WORSHIP

**Dr. Robert E. Long**  
Senior Pastor

**Rev. Josh Attaway**  
Edmond Campus Pastor

**Dr. Candace Fish**, *Campus Director of Traditional Worship*  
**Savannah White**, *Campus Director of LifeLight Worship*

**Sydney Arrendell**, *conductor*

**Jay Wilkinson**, *soloist*

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

### 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. Near the end of the service, the pastor will invite you to come forward to the stage. Not interested in coming to the front? 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.



Throughout history, God has used music to speak about love, justice, beauty, and courage. Sometimes the words of a song inspired people to stand up for what was right. Sometimes it was the beauty of the music itself that brought joy. In scripture, music has been used to praise God, calm royalty, celebrate victory, and rejoice in times of deliverance. Music not only changes the world, but has the power to change our lives as well.



# St. Luke's

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### **GROWING IN YOUR FAITH**

We believe in the importance of growing in our faith throughout our lives. We have opportunities available for people of all ages – from nursery through adults. Visit online at [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org) to learn more about how you can grow in your faith.

*Community Groups - Adults of all ages*

Community Groups are small groups of adults committed to growing closer to God and one another. A full list of current Community Groups is available online at [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org).

*Thrive Youth Ministry – 6th – 12th graders*

St. Luke's Thrive Youth Ministry is an exciting place for 6-12th graders to grow spiritually through a meaningful combination of Christian education, mission work, and relationships with each other. For a calendar with all upcoming youth events, please email Sarah Cohea - [scohea@stlukesokc.org](mailto:scohea@stlukesokc.org).

*Children's Ministry - 18 months through 5th grade*

St. Luke's Children's Ministry is designed to help every child learn about the love of God through biblically-based lessons. Stop by Will's Welcome to learn more about our Children's Ministry.

### **FAMILY INFORMATION**

#### ***Parents with Young Children***

The Family Room located at the back of the Worship Center offers a comfortable place for active or tearful children to be with their parents during the service.

#### ***Nursery***

Infants can come to the nursery, located in the Children's Area, during Worship. Check in at the desk is simple and allows for a secure experience for your baby. We will contact you via cell phone messaging in the event your baby needs you.

### **WORSHIP WITH US**

#### **Online Worship Service**

If you are unable to attend worship on any Sunday, you can join us online for our live-stream of the Edmond Campus Services (LL at 9 a.m. and Traditional at 11 a.m.) and the Downtown Campus Traditional Service (10:50 a.m.) at [stlukesokc.org/live](http://stlukesokc.org/live). Live services are also available on Roku and Apple TV apps. To install, please search - stlukesokc or St. Luke's United Methodist Church

#### **TV Programming**

St. Luke's Traditional service can be seen as an hour long television program on KOCO channel 5 at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday morning. The program is a week delayed.

### **One Church with Multiple Campuses**

**Edmond Campus**  
900 N. Sooner Road  
Edmond, OK 73034  
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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.

### HELPFUL INFORMATION

- Register your attendance by texting guest or member to (405) 351-4001.
- Give today - text the letters STL to the number 73256 to give on a secure website.
- Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.
- Parents with active or tearful children can watch a live feed of the service in the Watchorn Chapel. An online children's activity page is available
- at [stlukesokc.org/childrenbulletin](http://stlukesokc.org/childrenbulletin).
- A Hospitality Team member is at the Welcome Center to help.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Membership Sunday Today

Have you been thinking about becoming a member of St. Luke's? We would love to welcome you into our family of faith! For those attending worship in-person today, you can meet with a pastor or staff member before or after any worship service in the Threefold Bookstore, at either the Downtown or Edmond Campus. There is a special video following the online service about what it means to be a member of St. Luke's. You will be invited to call the church at (405) 232-1371 and talk to a pastor or staff member, ask questions, and take the vows of membership over the phone. For more information about membership you can also contact Logan Fish at [lfish@stlukesokc.org](mailto:lfish@stlukesokc.org) or call (405) 285-2341.

#### Rebuilding Day

If you can pick up a tool, you can bring hope to an entire family in just one day. On April 24, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., St. Luke's volunteers will take part in Rebuilding Day in NE OKC. You're invited to be part of this home renovation project that will create a safer, more accessible house for a family who could not afford the repairs. Volunteers can work all day, or one of two shifts: 8 - 12 and 12 - 4 p.m. We will be painting, installing safety rails, flooring, ramps and other light repairs and construction. Volunteers of all skill levels are needed. Lunch and snacks will be provided. To sign up, go online at [stlukesokc.org/events](http://stlukesokc.org/events).

#### A New Way to Grow in Your Faith

It's like Netflix for churches! It's "Amplify Media" - a website filled with thousands of hours of Christian content for children, youth, and adults. You can find videos that can be watched individually, as a family, with your Community Group, or with your Sunday School Class. This is a free resource provided to everyone that is part of the St. Luke's family of faith. To use Amplify Media, go to [stlukesokc.org/amplify](http://stlukesokc.org/amplify) and use the congregation access code VHYKLF. You'll be directed to set up your login credentials and then you will have access to hours of on-demand digital content. There are also apps for Roku, Amazon, Apple, and Google devices. For details, email Rev. Josh Attaway at [jattaway@stlukesokc.org](mailto:jattaway@stlukesokc.org) or call (405) 285-2307.

#### Sunday Morning Worship Times

Please note the new adjusted Worship Times. The Downtown Campus has a LifeLight Service at 9:30 a.m. and a Traditional Service at 10:50 a.m. \* The Edmond Campus has a LifeLight Service at 9 a.m.\* and a Traditional Service at 11 a.m.\* These services are available for in-person worship and the services marked with an asterisk will be live-streamed. Learn more at [stlukesokc.org/live](http://stlukesokc.org/live).

### **UMW Unit Meeting**

Women of all ages and stages of life are invited to the United Methodist Women's (UMW) Unit Meeting on April 24 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Downtown Campus Watchorn Chapel. You can also join the meeting via Zoom. Speakers will be Harrietta Williams, UMW State Conference President, and Shirley Franklin, Heartland District President. The Zoom link is [stlukesokc.org/UMWzoom](https://stlukesokc.org/UMWzoom). For details, email Rhonda Trent at [rhondatrent@verizon.net](mailto:rhondatrent@verizon.net).

### **Women of Faith Bible Study**

Women of Faith has just started a new study on the book *31 Proverbs to Light Your Path* by Liz Curtis Higgs. The study will help reveal how practical and meaningful the book of Proverbs is, and how God honors his promise to guide us each day. Join us in person at the Downtown Campus in the Mansion Library or on Zoom at [stlukesokc.org/faithzoom](https://stlukesokc.org/faithzoom) on Thursdays, from Noon to 1 p.m. Please RSVP online or contact Amy Givens at [agivens@stlukesokc.org](mailto:agivens@stlukesokc.org) or call (405) 609-1027.

## **CHILDREN'S SUMMER EVENTS**

### **Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School is back! All children ages PreK-5th grade are invited to have a blast at the St. Luke's Downtown or Edmond campuses for "To Mars and Beyond"! This year's VBS will help kids discover the wonders of God's universe. They'll become voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God's power can take them. The Downtown campus VBS will take place June 7 - 10 and the Edmond campus VBS will happen June 14 - 17. Both last from 9 a.m. to noon. This is for the church family and surrounding community. Sign up online at [stlukesokc.org/vbs](https://stlukesokc.org/vbs).

### **Magic Tree House: Pirates Past Noon! Ages 5 to 10**

All hands on deck for a fun summer camp! All young actors from ages 5 to 10 are invited to be a part of the Poteet Theatre's production of "Magic Tree House: Pirates Past Noon!" This camp will be held at our St. Luke's Edmond campus from July 12 to July 24, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Performance dates will be July 23 and 24, both at the St. Luke's Edmond Worship Center. Tuition is \$200, which includes lunch and a snack each day. Register at [stlukesokc.org/arts](https://stlukesokc.org/arts).

### **G2K Oklahoma! Ages 8 to 18**

Step into the spotlight and have a fun time this summer becoming a star at the Poteet Theatre Camp Downtown! Anyone from ages 8 to 18 is invited to enjoy "G2K Oklahoma!" It's the Poteet Theatre's production of "Getting to Know Rogers and Hammerstein's Oklahoma!" This camp will be held at St. Luke's Downtown Campus from July 12 through August 1, between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday - Friday. Camp tuition is \$300, which includes lunch and a snack each day. The camp will culminate with four performances at the Poteet Theatre on July 30, July 31, and August 1. Register at [stlukesokc.org/arts](https://stlukesokc.org/arts).

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

### **Youth Chicken N Pickle Today**

All 6th - 12th grade students from both the Downtown and Edmond Campuses are invited to join the fun today from 12:15 to 3 p.m. We'll head out for a fun afternoon at Chicken N Pickle and meet with everyone from both campuses! Everyone should bring money to order their own food. We will travel together in vans.

### **Edmond Youth on Sundays**

Edmond Youth has a new meeting time on Sunday mornings! Let's get together for fun and meaningful fellowship from 10 to 10:50 a.m. between worship services. Today, we are having a free breakfast, the Youth Worship Band is playing and there are giveaways! It all takes place in the Youth Room and all 6th-12th grade students are invited. Bring your friends!

### **Youth Service Project at the Downtown Campus**

Youth, let's get together after church, have some fun, and make a positive difference for our neighbors! Join us Sunday, April 18, from 12:15 - 2:30 p.m. for a Youth Service Project at Skyline Urban Ministry. Lunch will be provided! Everyone will meet at the Downtown Campus at 12:15. Edmond Youth are invited to join in the fun, but there will not be transportation provided to the Downtown Campus.