

IN THE NAME OF GOD, WELCOME. Worship is God's invitation to gather both with God and as God's people. Thus, worship has a vertical and personal dimension, as well as a horizontal and communal or corporate dimension. Our connection with God leads us to connections with one another; our connections with one another are expressions of our connection with God.

The WORSHIP SERVICE at 9:30 a.m.

PREPARATION

- Prelude "Largo" S. S. Wesley
- Moment of Silence
- *Invocation
- *Order for Confession and Forgiveness Page 94
- *An Act of Reconciliation: Sharing the Peace Page 206
- ***Hymn 712** "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"
BEACH SPRING
- *The Greeting Page 203
- *Hymn of Praise Page 204
- *Prayer of The Day
Pastor: Almighty and merciful God,
ALL: **we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD THROUGH WORDS

- Word of Welcome Peter Cousins
- First Lesson – Lamentations 3: 22-33

Psalm 30 1-6, 11 (*sung responsively*)

I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lift-¹ ed me up and have not let my enemies triumph¹ over me.

²O LORD my God, I cried¹ out to you, and you restored¹ me to health.

³You brought me up, O LORD,¹ from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down¹ to the grave.

⁴Sing praise to the LORD,¹ all you faithful; give thanks in ho-¹ ly remembrance.

⁵God's wrath is short; God's favor¹ lasts a lifetime. Weeping spends the night, but joy comes¹ in the morning.

⁶While I felt se-¹ cure, I said, "I shall never¹ be disturbed.

¹¹You have turned my wailing¹ into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed¹ me with joy.

¹²Therefore my heart sings to you¹ without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you¹ thanks forever.

All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the | Holy Spirit. As it was in | the beginning, is now, and will be for | ever. Amen.

Second Lesson – 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

*Gospel Acclamation Page 205

*The Holy Gospel – Mark 5: 21-43

Children's Sermon "Steadfast" Pastor Bair

***Hymn 769** "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"
WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

Sermon "The Balance of Life; with Life in the Balance"
Pastor Bair

*The Apostles' Creed Page 105

A RESPONSE OF PRAYER, PRAISE AND LIVES

Offering

Offertory "Psalm 142"
Sarah Rae Robinson, soprano Ned Rorem

*Congregational Offertory **Hymn 188** "Create in Me..."

*Prayer of Intercession Page 206

*The Lord's Prayer Page 208

Recognition of High School graduates

Farewell and Godspeed

*The Benediction

***Hymn 733** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS

*The Dismissal Page 208

Postlude "New Faith, New Life" Franklin Ritter

**Please stand for this part of the liturgy or remain seated as you need.*

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"NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION" by Marty Haugen, will be our worship order for July 5, 12, and 19. By using it on three consecutive Sundays, we will be able to become more familiar and comfortable with this liturgy.

WORSHIPPING with this faith community for the first time? Sign the book in the narthex so that we may greet you more personally, and please share in the relaxed after-church time over goodies.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from an usher.

HEARING ASSIST devices are available from the table in the narthex. Each device has an earpiece and volume control.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Jim and Betta Hedlund in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary.

NAME TAGS. Thanks for helping us all remember by wearing one. Your help in returning your tag to the rack in alphabetical order with the string tucked in is also appreciated.

HANDICAP PARKING. There is a 'Handicap Parking' space on Oak Avenue across from the entrance to St. Luke. There are also four parking spaces behind the Church, and on Sunday mornings these are for the use of our members who have difficulty walking.

NURSERY CARE is provided for young children during worship in two nurseries, which are on the same level as the sanctuary. Please feel free to use the facilities for your children.

CAMPUS MINISTRY LIST SERVE. To join, send an e-mail: stluke-campusministry-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

ST. LUKE NEWS
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SUMMER STRINGS CONCERT: Local musicians performing on instruments of the violin family will give a concert to benefit Loaves and Fishes here at St. Luke on Saturday, August 1, at 8:00 p.m. The instruments, all made by local luthier Robert Spear, are unusual in that they are acoustically proportional to a violin, even though they come in seven different sizes from higher than a violin than lower than a double bass. Erik Kibelsbeck is conducting this summer's ensemble, which will offer music of Grieg, Villa-Lobos, and others.

SIGN UP FOR JULY FAITH AND CARE. The sign-up sheet for July Faith and Care is available at the Faith and Care table today. Take this opportunity to enable Sunday morning worship. Tasks include ushering, reading, preparing communion and providing for fellowship after the service. There are four Sundays in July. Check your calendar. Add your name to the list. Serve the community. See a Faith and Care Coordinator for more information, (Susan Hoskins, Jo Ann Ekdahl, Doris Mowson, and Linda Muckstadt).



FAITH AND CARE BRUNCH and coffee hour, will be Sunday, July 12, after the 9:30 a.m. worship service in the Fellowship Hall. The brunch will be hosted by the July Faith and Care Team for the August volunteers. Everyone is welcome and if you cannot stay for brunch, please join us for a cup of coffee. This is an opportunity to volunteer to help with Faith and Care.



COFFEE CANS NEEDED: If you have any of the old, one pound coffee cans that you do not use the quilters would appreciate having them. They use them to raise the tables up to save their backs when they are pinning quilts together. Cans may be left in the basket in the narthex.

THE MONDAY MIDDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY GROUP (MMBBBS) is taking a break for the summer. The group will reconvene on August 24th. For more information, see Susan Hoskins (sbh1@cornell.edu) or Diane Conneman (dyk2@cornell.edu).

QUILTING FOR THOSE IN NEED: If you sew, have extra fabric to share or can tie knots, check out how you can help make quilted blankets for distribution by Lutheran World Relief. Details are on flyers in the narthex. Meet with us at 9:30 am on every 1st & 3rd Thurs. in our Adult Ed room.

ARE YOU ACCESSING THE ST. LUKE WEBSITE? [<http://www.stlukeithaca.org>] It now includes photos, a calendar of events, documents (from weekly bulletins to the Constitution and By-laws), and improved audio of our morning worship services. Please contact Scott Adams with your ideas.

FAITH IN ACTION: DIRECT PRAYER REQUESTS to Louise McGee at 844-4303. A prayer chain of St. Luke folks prays regularly, privately, and confidentially for the parishioners' concerns.

FAITH AND CARE: *USHERS:* Ronald Shewchuk & David Jung; *GREETERS:* Rachel Peters & Don Christensen; *ASSISTING MINISTER:* Michael Clarkson; *ACOLYTES:* Cassie & Taylor Engstrom; *READERS:* Cassie Engstrom; & Nicole Nelson; *COFFEE SERVERS:* SET-UP Barb Christensen; *CLEAN-UP:* Jo Ann Ekdahl; *BAKERS (after church):* Everett Nelson & Rachel Peters.

NEXT SUNDAY: Pentecost 5, "Now The Feast And Celebration", Holy Communion Service, 9:30 a.m.; Lessons: Ezekiel 2: 1-5; 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10; Mark 6: 1-13; Sermons: "Stubborn" and "What the Village Takes"; Hymns: 876, 887, 890.

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