

Welcome to  
**St. Luke Union Church**

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**Sunday Worship Service — Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

February 2, 2025 10:30am

*You are the light of the world. Let your light shine before others so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:14,16*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**OPENING SONG**

“As We Gather”

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 71:1-6

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

God of life, death, and resurrection, we are grateful for life and all its gifts. Increase in us the stuff that life is made of faith, hope, and love, but especially love that we may abide with you eternally through Jesus Christ, our savior and our lord. **Amen**

**HYMN #361**

“How Firm a Foundation”

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Trust in the One who made us and redeemed us. Let us confess our sin.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of life, we admit to you and to each other that we have not always lived lives of love. We have lost patience and been rude. We have been irritable and insisted on our own way. We have even let love end. Forgive us and heal us, dear God, through Jesus Christ, your love incarnate. **Amen.**

**SILENT REFLECTION**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

God has loved us since the beginning, and God’s love for us will never end. Do not fear but have faith in God’s steadfast love, God’s healing power, and God’s ability to make all things new. In Christ Jesus you are forgiven.

**HYMN OF RESPONSE #579**

“Glory Be to the Father”

**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.**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**INSTALLATION OF ELDERS**

Lynne Wright  
Dan Staver  
Kevin Schaefer

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit, as the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah in his time, bring this word now to us. Touch our mouths and our hearts with your word today, that we may build on it in our lives, in the church, and in your world. **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4-10

## ANTHEM

“Hymn of Grateful Praise”  
SLUC Choir

## GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:21-30

## SERMON

“Aren’t You Joseph’s Son”  
Rev. Dr. Andrew J. Gifford

## HYMN #391 (Verses 1/3/6)

“Take My Life”

## OFFERING

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Distribution of Loaf and Cup

Prayer Following Communion

## 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## HYMN #426 (Verses 1/3/4)

“Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”

## CHARGE & BLESSING

## HYMN #593 (Doxology)

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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.

## POSTLUDE