# St. Luke Union Church

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### Sunday Worship Service — Seventh Sunday of Easter

June 1, 2025 10:30am

The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.

Zechariah 3:17

#### WELCOME AND MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** 

**OPENING SONG #SPW 27** 

"I Sing Praises"

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let everyone who hears say, "Come."

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Come to the tree of life, the Alpha and the Omega.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, who opens our prison doors and releases us from our faults, keep us near to you in the hours of each day that by the power of the prayer Jesus prays for us and the light of your Word we might drink of your living water, know true joy, and serve you to the end of time. Amen.

HYMN #144 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!"

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the promise of grace, let us tell the whole truth about ourselves and beg God's mercy for the renewal and amendment of our lives.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world. Amen.

#### SILENT REFLECTION

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

In the compassion of the God who prays for us, with us, and in us, you are forgiven, for the sake of the one who was sent to show us the face of love and who died and rose, one with the Father and with us.

**HYMN OF RESPONSE** #SPW 122

"He Is Lord"

PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANTHEM "Lamb of God"
SLUC Choir

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy God, whose voice is heard in the thunder and in the silence, speak to us now, by the power of your Spirit, that we may hear your word for us today. In Jesus' name we ask it. **Amen.** 

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 97: 1-12

HYMN #367 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

GOSPEL LESSON John 14:8-17

SERMON "Your Cheatin' Heart"
Rev. Larry Maffett

**OFFERING** 

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### **INVITATION**

# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### 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.

#### RECEIVING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

#### PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Almighty God, in these moments following communion, guide our steps. As we walk the path of life, may our prayers forge a deeper connection with Your divine presence and illuminate the path before us. Amen.

**HYMN** #369 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

#### **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

#### **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**