

Welcome to
St. Luke Union Church

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Sunday Worship Service

June 14, 2026 10:30 am

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
So that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. John 3:17*

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ summons us to answer God's call of mercy. Christ gathers us and gives us power to be healed and to heal, to be forgiven and to forgive, to be freed from sin and to set others free, to tell one another and the world: God's presence is at hand. Let us worship God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of wonder, you appeared to Abraham as three persons; you reveal your fullness in your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit fills your people with hope through the tragic yet peacemaking cross of Jesus. Gather us as Christ's faithful disciples and empower us with the good news, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***HYMN #469**

"Morning Has Broken"

CALL TO CONFESSION

The mystery of God brings the promise of life, but we doubt the Spirit's power to overcome death. The resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Son, reveals that nothing is impossible with God. Let us confess our sin and receive new life.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Triune God, Holy Three, Holy One, we confess that we do not know how to look for you. We do not sense your nearness, and if your spirit is among us, we are unaware. We do not show the hospitality to strangers that Abraham showed to you. We do not trust that our hardships can be transformed by your Spirit. O Covenant-keeper, forgive us. Let us laugh with joy because your grace has made peace among us. Send us out with good news so that others will also receive your blessing; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SILENT REFLECTION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Christ gave his life to save us from the wrath of God. Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Trust the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #579**

"Glory Be to the Father"

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

God of redemption, summon us to Sarah's joy, Abraham's wonder, and Paul's confident hope through the word and work of the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray.
Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 9:35-10:8

ANTHEM

"Shut De Do"
SLUC Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 18:1-15 and 21:1-7

SERMON

"No Doubt"
Rev. Dr. Andrew J. Gifford

*HYMN #391

"Take My Life"
(Verses 1/3/5/6)

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 #343

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*HYMN #593

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*POSTLUDE