

Welcome to
St. Luke Union Church

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Sunday Worship Service

September 27, 2026 10:30 am

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord who is our provider.

The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

God brought us out of bondage and has made us free.

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Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are his acts.

The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, we thank you for being ever present with us. We know that we are never alone.

Your mercies have been faithful and rich. Pour out your Spirit upon us, that we might do the work of your will. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***HYMN #446** (Verses 1/3/2)

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, trusting in the promise of forgiveness.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we have been wandering in the wilderness of sin. We have complained in the face of your mercy. We have been selfish and conceited in the face of your sacrifice. We have not done your will. Teach us humility. Teach us gratitude. Infuse your spirit into our beings so that we might be reconciled to you. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

SILENT REFLECTION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

People of God, our sins are forgiven. The Lord is loving, and we are reconciled to God. Therefore, let us humble and surrender ourselves to the will of God for the glory of the Lord.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #579**

“Glory Be to the Father”

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O God, fill us with your Spirit and humble our hearts so that we can hear your Word. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

ANTHEM

“Headin’ for the Promised Land”

SLUC Choir

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:23-32

SERMON

“Who Queues With You?”
Rev. Susan Baller-Shepard

Spiritual Challenge #12:

Let someone go ahead of you. This might be in line at the store, it might be in school or work, it might be walking into a building. Purposefully let someone go ahead of you. Take note how it feels.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*HYMN #428 (Verse 1) “We Give Thee but Thine Own”

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

HYMN #333

“Seek Ye First”

We will remain seated as we sing.

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.

***CLOSING HYMN**

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

***HYMN #593**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Our tradition is joining hands for our final song. For those who'd prefer not to join hands, raising your hands in a prayer or praise position signals this to your neighbor.

***POSTLUDE**

Thank you to today's liturgist, Lydia Rambo.