



Things You  
Won't  
Regret

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost  
October 22, 2017  
at Ten Fifty A.M.

## WELCOME TO ST. LUKE'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We're so glad you've joined us for worship this morning. Our mission is to share God's love and bring hope to the world. We hope you leave here today inspired by a message of hope and ready to embrace life in the week ahead.

Hymnals, Bibles, large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.

Children's Ministry is available during the worship service for infants - 5th grade.

Parents with active or tearful children can watch a live feed of the service in the Watchorn Chapel. A children's activity bag is also available in the Narthex.

A Hospitality Team member is at the Welcome Center to help.

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

*(†Those who are able, please stand in honor of God.)*

PRELUDE

arr. Kevin McChesney

*In His Hands*  
Bells of St. Luke's  
Cynthia Adair, *director*

RINGING OF THE BELLS

†HYMN 92

DIX

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

*For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies; Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light; Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild; Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For Thy church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love; Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For Thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given, for that great, great love of Thine; peace on earth, and joy in heaven: Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Phil Greenwald

From the earliest of times, God has called people to accomplish great things;

**the Hebrew people followed Moses and were led out of Egypt,**  
they crossed through the Red Sea,  
**and into the wilderness where God provided food and water.**

Jesus called His disciples to follow Him

**and they would continue to share His message and build the church.**

Oklahoma settlers gathered round a white flag to establish St. Luke's

**and that has continued - Asbury to the South and Edmond to the North.**

We give thanks to God for all the things He has done

**and for calling us to join together in making a difference in the world.**

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

As a family of faith, let us affirm our faith together.

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
The third day He rose from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic\* church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen. (\* universal)

†GLORIA PATRI

MEINEKE

*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.*

CALL TO PRAYER

Rev. David Potteet

The peace of the Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

*To God the Holy Spirit let us pray most of all for faith upon our way.  
Lord, have mercy! - Martin Luther*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

†HYMN 156

HANKEY

*I Love to Tell the Story*

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do. I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*

*I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet. I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*

*I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*

ANTHEM

arr. Mark Hayes

*Jesus Is All the World to Me*  
Chancel Choir  
Robert Fasol, piano/conductor

*Jesus is all the world to me, my life, my joy, my all. He is my strength from day to day. Without Him I would fall. When I am sad, to Him I go. No other one can cheer me so. When I am sad, He makes me glad, He's my friend. He's my friend, yes, He is such a friend.*

*Jesus is all the world to me, my friend in trials sore. I go to Him for blessings, and He gives them o'er and o'er. He sends the sunshine and the rain. He sends the harvest's golden grain; sunshine and rain, harvest of grain; He's my friend.*

*Jesus is all the world to me, and true to Him I'll be. O how could I this friend deny when He's so true to me? Following Him, I know I'm right. He watches o'er me day and night. Following Him by day and night, He's my friend, He's my friend.*

*Jesus is all the world to me. I want no better friend. I trust Him now; I'll trust Him when life's fleeting days shall end. Beautiful life with such a friend, beautiful life that has no end; eternal life, eternal joy, He's my friend, Jesus is, Jesus is my friend, He's my friend.*

LIFE AT ST. LUKE'S

Rev. Phil Greenwald

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Wendy Lambert

OFFERTORY

arr. Linda McKechnie

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*

*Bells of St. Luke's*

*Robert Fasol, organist*

*Cynthia Adair, director*

†DOXOLOGY

OLD 100th

*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.*

†OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Dr. Gary Brown

And they offered great sacrifices that day and rejoiced, for God had made them rejoice with great joy; the women and children also rejoiced. And the joy of Jerusalem was heard afar off. On that day men were appointed over the chambers for the stores, the contributions, the first fruits, and the tithes, to gather into them the portions required by the law for the priests and for the Levites according to the fields of the towns; for Judah rejoiced over the priests and the Levites who ministered. And they performed the service of their God and the service of purification, as did the singers and the gatekeepers, according to the command of David and his son Solomon. For in the days of David and Asaph of old there was a chief of the singers, and there were songs of praise and thanksgiving to God. (Nehemiah 12:43 - 46)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Wendy Lambert

*Building with Gratitude*

From the Sermon Series: Things You Won't Regret

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you desire to become a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church, please refer to the announcement insert for additional information.

†HYMN 567

NATIONAL HYMN

*Heralds of Christ*

*Heralds of Christ, who bear the King's commands, immortal tidings in your mortal hands, pass on and carry swift the news you bring; make straight, make straight the highway of the King. (continued on reverse side)*

*Through desert ways, dark fen, and deep morass, through jungles, sluggish seas, and mountain pass, build now the road, and falter not, nor stay; prepare across the earth the King's highway.*

*Lord, give us faith and strength the road to build, to see the promise of the day fulfilled, when war shall be no more, and strife shall cease upon the highway of the Prince of Peace.*

†SENDING FORTH

Rev. Wendy Lambert

As followers of Christ, we are called to make a difference:

**we give thanks for the opportunities before us.**

It is an exciting life we've been given:

**sharing God's love and bringing hope to the world.**

POSTLUDE

Léon Böellman

*Toccata (Suite Gothique)*  
Robert Fasol, organist

## LEADING IN WORSHIP

**Rev. Wendy Lambert**

Senior Executive Pastor

**Rev. David Poteet**

Pastor of Congregational Care

**Rev. Phil Greenwald**

Executive Pastor of Administration

**Dr. Gary Brown**

St. Luke's Member

*Musicians*

**Robert Fasol, Organist/Choirmaster**

**Chancel Choir**

**Bells of St. Luke's**

**Cynthia Adair, Director**

Holly Gibson, Selena Gilliam, Steve Graham, Brianna Hillebrand,  
Margaret Howell, Vicky Kelly, Erika March, Dennis Martin, Ingrid May,  
Bill Morris, Rita Pierce, Jeff Sabin, Joe Wine

The flowers in the Chancel this morning are given to the glory of God:  
*In memory of Gabe Martin, Spence Newell, and Kim Smith, children of our class  
members, given by the Circles Class*



We all have done things that we wish we hadn't. But there are some things we can do that we will never have to regret - being kind to someone, saying "thank you," helping someone in need. Wouldn't it be nice to live without regret? We can live a life of joy and meaning when we focus on others first. Join us as we explore the most significant things we will never regret.



# St. Luke's

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### **Congregational Care Ministry**

The St. Luke's family of faith desires to extend care to you in the times of concern and joy and all that is in-between. Please write your prayer concerns on an attendance card during Sunday services or email to [ccm@stlukesokc.org](mailto:ccm@stlukesokc.org). You may also call 232-1371 with your prayers concerns.

### **Faith Partners**

Faith Partners seeks to educate, refer and walk with people along their journey towards recovery from addiction. If you or someone you love struggles with addiction and would like help, please go online to [faithpartners.stlukesokc.org](http://faithpartners.stlukesokc.org) or email to [ccm@stlukesokc.org](mailto:ccm@stlukesokc.org).

### **Radio Programming**

Listen to "Something to Think About" with Dr. Bob Long between 7:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. on following radio stations: 98.1 The Sports Animal and Magic 104.1. The sermon can be heard on KREF AM 1400 at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday morning.

### **TV Programming**

St. Luke's Traditional service can be seen as a half-hour television program on KOCO channel 5 at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday morning. CDs are available in Threefold or contact Bev Barnes at 232-1371. We will be glad to mail a copy of the service to you. Cost is \$5 for a CD or \$10 for a DVD.

### **Online Worship Service**

If you are unable to attend worship on any Sunday, you can join us online for the 10:50 a.m. Traditional Worship Service broadcast live from the Downtown Campus. You can watch on your computer, smartphone, or tablet. Simply look for the "Online Worship" link on the [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org) website. A link is also available on the St. Luke's App.

### **Welcome to Our Newest Members Joining in September:**

*Downtown:* Rallene and Bruce May, Taylor and Martin Brady, Deven and Rod Vernon, KT and Fred Morton, Dawn Wilson, Katie and John Stachowiak

*Edmond:* Emily Allan, Kelly Marose, Melanie Pickering and Colton Cheap, Anne and John Morris, and Lacy Michels



# Communication Card

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Worship Service:  8:30  9:40  10:50

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

- Taught Bible Study
- 1st Time Guest
- 2nd Time Guest
- Regular Guest
- St. Luke's Member

Names and Birth Dates of Children With You

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## Announcements

Call (405) 232-1371 for more info or visit [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org).

### Opportunities to Share God's Love

At St. Luke's, the Family of Faith is always encouraged to share God's love and the mission trips that are planned during the year gives us the opportunity to serve. This year, there is a trip to Russia taking place in late December with space still available. In 2018, there are three mission trips to Honduras. Youth can be involved in missions also with their trips during spring break and the summer. All of these trips need volunteers to help share God's love. More information about the mission trips can be found at [stlukes.okc.org/travel](http://stlukes.okc.org/travel). Consider how you can help share God's love and bring hope to the world in 2018.

### Mission Rancho Village - Feed the Children

Be a part of an amazing opportunity to bless hundreds of people while sharing God's love with our neighbors in South OKC. St. Luke's will be partnering with Rancho Village Elementary, Feed the Children, and the Lion's Club to distribute food, backpacks, and books to over 400 families. It happens Tuesday, November 7 at St. Luke's Asbury (1320 SW 38th St). There are two time slots to volunteer: 1 - 4 p.m. and 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. To volunteer for one or both times, please sign up at the Welcome Center or online at [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org).

### Fall Festival of Treats!

Wednesday is the "Fall Festival of Treats" - one of the kids' favorite events of the year! Your child will have a blast on October 25 at 6 p.m. in the South parking lot at St. Luke's (NW 14th & Harvey Ave). We'll have Trunk or Treat, where kids can safely visit decorated cars with trunks full of candy, jump in the inflatables, and play games. At 7:45, there is a not-to-be missed spooky organ concert that will set the mood for a fun Halloween.

### Reformation Sunday

St. Luke's is celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation on October 29 at all campuses. During the Worship Service, as a special way for us to remember Martin Luther's efforts to make the Bible available to everyone, we will be honoring all teachers who have taught the Bible. The children will be learning about the Reformation and Martin Luther in their Sunday School classes with fun activities. After the services, please take some time to explore the exhibits and displays in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall that will be an inspiration to you. Remember to stop by to sample the German finger foods, and root beer floats. If you have taught Bible study, please check the box on the Communication Card, or sign up online at [stlukesokc.org/reformation](http://stlukesokc.org/reformation).

### Carillon Dedication and Concert

It's time to ring the bells! The renovation of the Carillon Bells is "heading for home," and a special Dedication Service will be held November 5. A meal will be served after Worship, and then starting at 12:45 p.m. the Sanctuary will be open for all who wish to remember a special person in their lives by ringing one of the Carillon Bells and lighting a candle. A Service of Dedication and Concert will follow at 1:15 p.m. when the bells will come to life as we celebrate the saints on whose shoulders we stand. We hope you will be a part of this celebration!

**How did you first hear about St. Luke's?**

- TV  Radio  Web  Other  
 I'm a guest of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Age Group**

- 6th-12th Grade  College  18-30  
 31-40  41-50  51-59  60+

**I would like more info about:**

- Children's Programs  
 Youth (6th to 12th grade) Programs  
 Classes for Adults  
 Volunteer Opportunities  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Joining

- I wish to join St. Luke's  
*If you wish to join St. Luke's this morning, please bring this card to the front during the last song instead of placing it in the offering basket.*
- I would like to know more about membership.
- I'm interested in joining but don't want to come to the front.
- Contact me about other ways to join.

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## Stewardship 2018

When you give to the general operations budget you are supporting St. Luke's programming, missions, administration, ministry staff, and facility. We are committed to making sure every gift makes a difference. The church leadership is committed to living within our means. That's why we ask every family to make a financial commitment (pledge) every year - so that we might budget for the ministry and mission we can do in the coming year. We are asking your family to prayerfully consider what you are able to commit to give in 2018 and make plans to attend a special Commitment Sunday on November 5.

## Edmond Dessert with Bob

If you haven't met Dr. Bob Long, or haven't visited St. Luke's beautiful Edmond Campus, mark your calendar for October 29 at 2 p.m. for "Dessert with Bob." Join St. Luke's Senior Pastor, as well as Edmond Campus Pastor Rev. Josh Attaway, as we celebrate the first year of the new Edmond Campus and learn more about Dr. Long's 26 years at St. Luke's. Guests from all campuses are invited! Please RSVP online at [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org) - or email Beth Armstrong at [barmstrong@stlukesokc.org](mailto:barmstrong@stlukesokc.org) - or call Beth at 609-1045.

## Church Tour Today

The hallways of St. Luke's are steeped in history. This family of faith dates back to the Oklahoma Land Run! 128 years and counting! Want to know more? We would love to meet you in Fellowship Hall (Donut Room) today at the conclusion of the LifeLight service for a guided tour of the church to learn more about the building's history and how to get around.

## Women's Self Defense Class

Ladies, you can learn how to defend yourself with a new class being led by Beth Armstrong and Stephanie Greenwald. Women's Self Defense class will take place this Saturday - October 28 at 10 a.m. at the Downtown Campus - either in Fellowship Hall or the CLC (depending on RSVPs). Learn about situational awareness and how to physically defend yourself in a dangerous situation. Please RSVP online at [stlukesokc.org](http://stlukesokc.org), or to Beth Armstrong: [barmstrong@stlukesokc.org](mailto:barmstrong@stlukesokc.org), or 609-1045.

## Clergy Connections Sunday School Class

Rev. Wendy Lambert will be leading a two-week series as part of the Clergy Connection Sunday School Class beginning next Sunday, October 29 at 9:40 a.m. in Room 206. The series is titled "Ten Things of the Reformation That Changed the World".

## Youth Lunch Bunch Today

After church, the "Youth Lunch Bunch" will head out for lunch together at Cain's! This is a great time to get connected and bring a friend. Simply show up and bring money to pay for your meal. If you're new, then meet at the fountain in the Narthex and we'll buy your lunch!

## Youth Costume Bowl

Let's join other youth groups for a great night of bowling - dressed up in costume! It's Sunday, October 29, from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Vans will take students to Windsor Lanes. There are prizes for best costumes, so have some fun with it! Plus, we're collecting canned goods and toiletries to donate to Skyline Urban Ministry. The group that brings the most items gets a prize, so help us win! The cost for Costume Bowling is \$15.