

## SAINT LUKE CHURCH

**A WARM WELCOME** to all who gather in the name of Christ this morning. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider Saint Luke Church.

All **BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS** are welcome at the Lord's table. We all need what only Christ can give.

For your convenience, there are *large print copies* of the Sunday bulletin and *individual sound* enhancement devices.

The *wheelchair accessible entrance* is located on Greenview Avenue and the *wheelchair accessible lavatory* is off the left side of the church.

A section for parents with very young children is located in the back of the church. *Rocking chairs, floor cushions* and *children's booster seats* may be found in that area. *Church Activity Bags* with books and coloring materials for the very young are available from the ushers.

Sharing of the Peace is done in the way that is most comfortable to you.

*Free parking* is available in the parking garage behind the church. Enter from Melrose St. (one block north of Belmont).

The people of Saint Luke Ministries, called by God's grace in Jesus Christ, are committed to share God's gifts of Word and Sacrament, to care for one another, and to serve those in need. As a **RECONCILING IN CHRIST CONGREGATION**, we welcome all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions based on our belief in a radically inclusive Jesus who loved all people regardless of gender, ethnicity, race, religion, economic, social status, or physical abilities. Saint Luke Ministries strives to be a place "where all are welcomed."

Saint Luke Ministries acknowledges that it is built on the land of which many First Nation people called their home. Members of this community continue to contribute to the life of this city and to celebrate their heritage, practice, traditions, and care for the land and waterways. Therefore, we **EMBRACE OUR COMMITMENT** to Indigenous rights, racial justice, and cultural equity.

If there is anything else we can do to assist your worship experience, please let the ushers know.



# SAINT LUKE Church

SAINT LUKE CHURCH Sunday, January 19, 2025 The 141<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Congregation PRAYER CONNECTION AND REFLECTION

Time to reflect and pray individually as you prepare for worship

## THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

O God, you have promised through your Son to be with your church forever. We give you thanks for those who founded this community of believers and for the signs of your presence in our congregation. Increase in us the spirit of faith and love, and make our fellowship an example to all believers and to all nations. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

## REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE ILL

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully hear our prayers and grant to your servants

Patricia Grunde	Christine Heck	Jetta Strohmayer	Dennis Hadden	Joan Palumbo
Stella Lackey	Anthony Leonard	Joyce Grosse	Curtis Holland	Mark Van Scharrel
John Grosse	Achen Moreno	Laurie Strohmayer	Ayanna Moreno	

the help of your power, that illness may be turned into health and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ. Amen

## PRAYER FOR AN ANNIVERSARY

Our heavenly Father we thank you through Jesus Christ for the blessings of this day. We praise you and glorify you for your love. Thank you once again for the gift of life and for the privilege of calling upon your name. As we mark this anniversary we praise you for enabling us to see this moment and we look forward to start the celebration and want to thank you in a mighty way. We pray in Jesus name. Amen

## REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Almighty God, we commit to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad:

Nicholas Bakulinski Jeremy Strohmayer Ashley Bakulinski Lucas Kratz Nicky Relias Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PRAYER FOR PEACE

O Almighty God, Creator of all humanity, turn the hearts of all peoples and their rulers that by the power of your Holy Spirit peace may be established among the nations on the foundation of justice, righteousness and truth; through him who was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE 141<sup>st</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONGREGATION JANUARY 19, 2025





## GATHERING\_

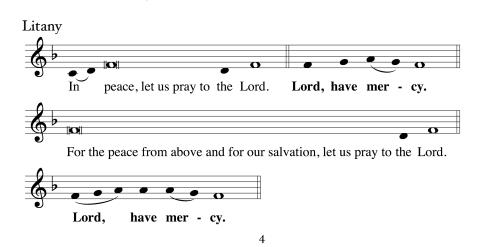
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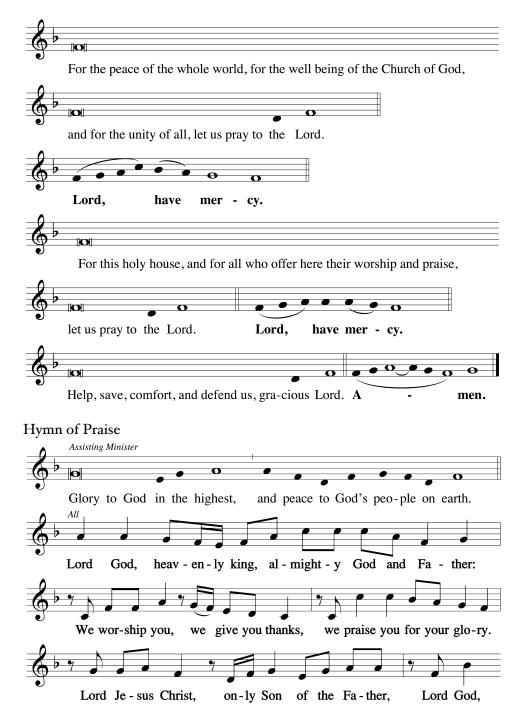
#### Welcome

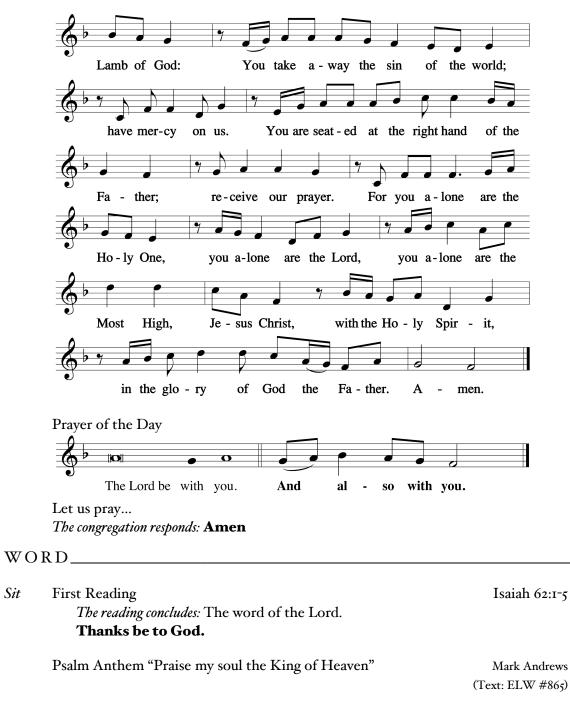
StandProcessional Hymn #654The Church's One FoundationPlease turn and face the star as the procession enters.The Church's One Foundation

#### Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 







Sit

#### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

*The reading concludes:* The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Stand HOLY GOSPEL

Please turn to face the star as the procession moves to the center of the church. As the procession moves, the congregation sings: Hymn #514 "O Word of God Incarnate", stanzas 1-2.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

+ SAINT JOHN 2:1-11 +

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**.

As the procession moves, the congregation concludes singing: Hymn #514 "O Word of God Incarnate", stanza 3

#### Sit Sermon

"So the Party Could Go On"

*Stand* Hymn of the Day #641

All Are Welcome

#### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

 Kneel
 Prayers of Intercession

 After each petition:
 Lord, listen to your children pray.

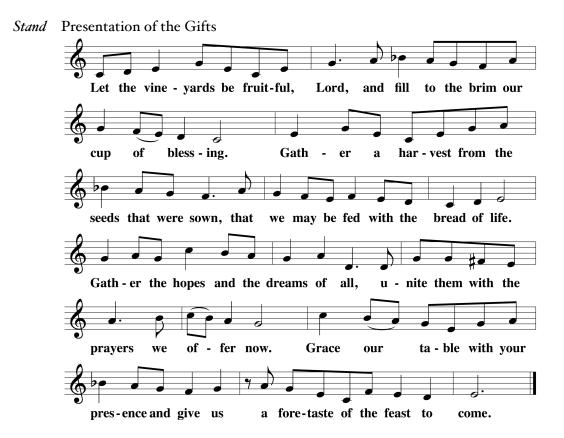
 Send us love, send us peace, send us grace.

#### *Stand* Sharing of the Peace.

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord in a way that is most comfortable to you.

#### MEAL\_\_\_\_\_

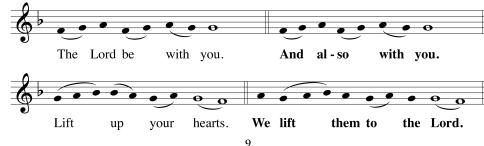
SitGathering of the GiftsOffering for the CongregationAnthem "Thanks be to Thee"G.F. HandelThanks be to Thee, O Lord our God. Thou hast Thy flock guided in peace,<br/>in safety to another year.

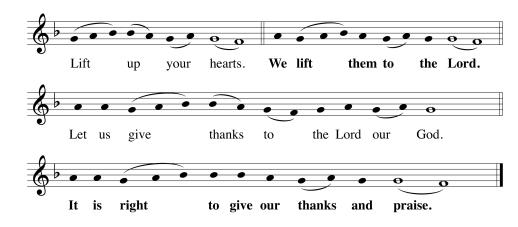


#### Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts; our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

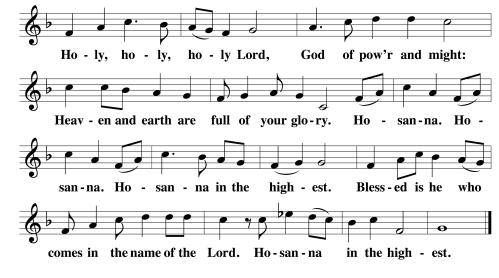
#### GREAT THANKSGIVING





It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Holy God, mighty Lord... ... even to giving his life.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

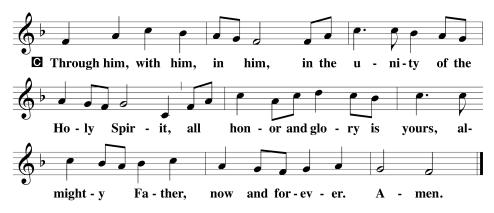
#### Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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Therefore, O God,... ... the great and promised feast. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray... ... with all your saints in light. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.** 

Join our prayers... ...as victorious Lord of all.



Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,

let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

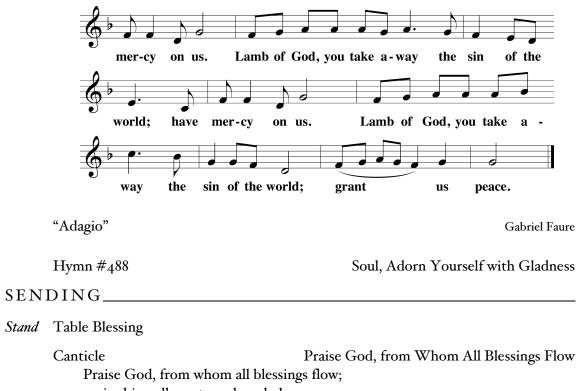
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

#### Sit Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. At the invitation of an usher, please proceed to communion at the front of the church by the center aisle and return via the side aisles.





Praise God, from whom all blessings f praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### Prayer after Communion

#### Benediction

Go forth in peace and with the courage of faith. Love God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself. **Amen.** 

Whatever you do in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him.

#### Amen.

The God of hope fill you with joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 

Recessional Hymn #576

We All Are One in Mission

Prayer for Peace

Dismissal Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Postlude: "Let us all exalt His name"

Lester Groom

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS January 19, 2025



## Today - Founders Day 141

The color red signals a celebration! On the church calendar, red marks occasions when we celebrate the work of the Holy Spirit in the world. Today we observe the Anniversary of the founding of Saint Luke 141 long and eventful years ago. In our liturgy we give thanks for the courage and faith of the founders, for dedicated pastors, teachers and staff and for parishioners and friends who have supported the work of the Lord with their gifts and prayers.



## Today we commemorate the founding of Saint Luke Church in 1884 and celebrate **141 years of blessing**.

This morning we celebrate, with a festival service, the faith, courage and determination of our Founders and give thanks for all the blessings bestowed on their mission. Saint Luke has been privileged to preach the Gospel in this

location for 141 years and it is our fervent prayer that God would continue to bless and direct our work on behalf of God's people both here in LakeView and throughout the world.

## Martin Luther King, Jr Day

Church and School offices will be closed Monday, January 21, 2025 in commemoration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

## Your Help Is Needed

The website is in need of a 'clean-up' and your help is needed. Please go to the website: www.stlukechicago.org and 'click around.' If you find outdated items or ANYTHING you see that needs to be corrected, please write it down or use the form on the website. The link to the form is at the **very** bottom of the page: **Provide Website Feedback**. You may also write your changes and corrections and submit them to the church office. Thank you in advance for your help.

Dr. David Nelson, Presiding Minister Dale Hoiberg, Assisting Minister Maia Surace, Cantor Karen Sarasin, Flute Don Mead, Organist and Choir Director

#### California Wildfire Disaster Response Emergency relief efforts are underway to bring critical aid to communities affected by the heartbreaking wildfires in California. In times of disaster, your support can bring help and hope. As part of Thrivent's ongoing efforts to show up in times of need, **Thrivent is matching up to \$500,000 to help provide relief and recovery resources.**

Thrivent has partnered with six organizations who are actively responding to the crisis in California. Donate and Thrivent will boost your donation. For every \$2 donated through **Thrivent will add \$1**.

The match will run until the \$500,000 cap is met, or March 10, 2025, whichever comes first. *The Mission Offering on Sunday January 26, 2025 will be designated for California Wildfire Disaster Response.* 

## Worship and Fellowship

Worship with the children of Saint Luke Academy will be celebrated **weekly on Wednesdays** at 9:00 a.m. You are invited to join the children. Holy Communion will be celebrated each week. Following the service, you are invited for Coffee and Chat in the Church Lobby.

## Are You Considering ...

... volunteering to be an **Assisting Minister**? Hours are great and the rewards plentiful. See Elisabeth Stampfl for more information or talk to an Assisting Minister today!

Voters Meeting There will be a meeting of the Voters Assembly immediately the Service at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 2, 2025. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

## Bible Class

**Bible Class** (in person) meets weekly (also from 8:30 – 9:15 a.m.) on Sundays and virtually on Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.

## Coffee Break

Coffee Break will meet **tomorrow**, **January 20 at 1:00 p.m.** Get your coffee or tea, sit down and enjoy a lively discussion on Zoom! The link: https://bit.ly/3Pye5l4\_or go to "**Coffee Break**" on the website at stlukechicago.org. *See you tomorrow*!

## Caring and Sharing

- As we begin a new year, we also begin again our yearly cycle of collections for those in need in our midst. Each month we designate an item in special demand during that season and ask our members to leave their donations in the collection barrel in the church lobby. Contributions are then distributed through relief agencies in the LakeView area.
- In **January**, the item for the month is **beans** (*dry or canned*) and **rice**. Please be generous in your contributions.
- Some of the residents of Saint Luke Renaissance--Greenview Place are in need of new bed pillows, towels and twin-size sheets, blankets, waste baskets and shower curtains. Household items should be in their original packaging. Some residents could also use warm clothing jackets, sweat pants and sweat shirts in large sizes. If you are able to supply any of these items, please bring them to the Church Office.

## Bible Class



Bible Class will meet this week on **Thursday**, **January 23 at 12 p.m.** Bring your lunch and join the group to discuss the lessons and Gospel for Epiphany 3.

The lessons are: Deuteronomy 18:15-20, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Saint Mark 1:21-28

The link for **"Bible Class"** can be found on the website at stlukechicago.org. Click on "Bible Class" or enter the following URL into your browser: https://bit.ly/39AbHrQ Meeting ID: 992 4691 2627 Passcode: saintluke *See you Thursday*!



We are six weeks away from the biggest party of the year for Saint Luke Academy! Our annual Knight & Day Fundraiser will be held on **Friday, February 28th from 6:30** -**10:00 p.m. at the Tied House**, 3157 N. Southport Ave. Early Bird tickets are on sale now for \$100/per person and include wine, beer, mixed drinks, appetizers, dessert, Silent Auction and great times with your fellow parishioners & Academy parents!

Ticket price increases to \$125/per person on January 24th. If you would like to help with the event in any way please reach out to academyoffice@stlukechicago.org

Our fundraising goal is \$30,000!

**BUY A TICKET using the QR code:** 





Stewardship – Our Giving – December 2024

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever" **1 Chronicles 16:34** 

As we give thanks to the Lord, we also lift up our hearts in gratitude for your generous gifts throughout calendar year 2024. As a result of weekly offerings, our successful Generosity 2024 campaign, plus special one-year only gifts and Estate Sale results of \$8,881, we begin our new year with a positive balance of \$57,384. Thank YOU!

Let's celebrate and give thanks to the Lord for our accomplishment.

Households receiving Offering Envelopes	129
Average # of envelopes used weekly by households	34
Percentage of Envelopes used by households	

	December	YTD 2024
Envelope # - Cash and Checks	\$22,998.	\$163,574.
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	\$25,223.	\$107,158.
Plate Collection	\$2,185.	\$12,863.
December Total	\$50,406.	\$283,595.
Expenses	-\$37,108.	-\$422,905.
Difference	\$13,298.	-\$139,310.

One-Year-Only		
Employee Retention Credit	\$o.	\$71,457.
Generosity in 2024	\$7,646.	\$50,432.
Memorials and Bequests	\$1,675.	\$65,923.
Estate Sale	\$8,882.	\$8,882.
One-Year-Only Subtotal	\$18,203.	\$196,694.
Grand Total	\$31,501.	\$57,384.

## THIS WEEK at Saint Luke Church

#### THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CONGREGATION

SUNDAY, January 19, 2025	
Bible Class 8:30 a.m.	Founders Hall
Festival Eucharist 9:30 a.m.	Church
Anniversary Reception	Church Lobby
TUESDAY-FRIDAY, January 21 – 24, 2025	
Morning Care 7:30-8:00 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor
School in Session 8:30 a.m3:30 p.m.	
After Care 3:30-6:00 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor
MONDAY, January 20, 2025	
Church and School Offices closed	
Coffee Break 1:00 p.m. <u>https://bit.ly/3Pye5l4</u>	via Zoom
TUESDAY, January 21, 2025	
Bookbugs 9:00 a.m.	<i>Room</i> 101
Time for Two 10:30 a.m.	<i>Room</i> 101
Player Sports and Social Club 6:30 p.m.	Gym
WEDNESDAY, January 22, 2025	
Worship Service 9:00 a.m.	Church
Administrative Staff Meeting 12:00 p.m.	Church Lobby
Player Sports and Social Club 6:30 p.m.	Gym
THURSDAY, January 23, 2025	
Bookbugs 9:00 a.m.	<i>Room</i> 101
Time for Two 10:30 a.m.	<i>Room</i> 101
Bible Class 12:00 p.m. <u>https://bit.ly/39AbHrQ</u>	via Zoom
Ministry Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Memorial Hall
Player Sports and Social Club 6:30 p.m.	Gym
SUNDAY, January 26, 2025	
Bible Class 8:30 a.m.	Founders Hall
Holy Communion 9:30 a.m.	Church
Coffee Hour 10:30 a.m.	Church Lobby