RUNNING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION

SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT
Palm Sunday
March 20, 2016
at Ten Fifty A.M.

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
(*Those who are able, please stand in honor of God.)

Prelude  
(arr. Cathy Mocklebust)

God of Amazing Grace
Meditation on Beautiful Savior
Bells of St. Luke’s
Cynthia Adair, director

Ringing of the Bells

†Hymn 280  
ST. THEODULPH

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee Redeemer, King, to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David’s royal Son, who in the Lord’s name comest, the King and Blessed One.

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee Redeemer, King, to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. The company of angels are praising Thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply.

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee Redeemer, King, to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before Thee we present.

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee Redeemer, King, to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee Redeemer, King, to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King.

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee Redeemer, King, to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

†Call to Worship  
Rev. Phil Greenwald

When we come to worship Christ, we may be plagued with thoughts of our mistakes.
We may be convinced of our disappointments.
We may think that what we have done, is who we are.
When we find we are headed in the wrong direction, we can remember the One who calls us by name.
We remember the mercy we have received in the past and the continued mercy in the present.
We remember the values that improve life.
Christ is calling us to return.
We will remember and turn back.

†Affirmation of Faith  
As a family of faith, let us affirm our faith together.
We are not alone, we live in God’s world.
We believe in God:
  who has created and is creating,
  who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
  to reconcile and make anew,
  who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God,
We are called to be the church:
  to celebrate God’s presence,
  to love and serve others,
  to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope,
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us,
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

†Gloria Patri

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

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

Choral Call to Prayer

Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus; come in today, come in to stay, come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

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

Sacrament of Baptism


Baptism Song

Tev, Tev God claims you. God helps you, protects you and loves you too. We this day do all agree a child of God you’ll always be. Tev, Tev God claims you. God helps you, protects you and loves you too.

Congregational Response

With God’s help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Tev surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Anthem

The Holy City
Meagan Seubert, soloist
Robert Fasol, piano

Last night I lay a-sleeping, there came a dream so fair. I stood in old Jerusalem beside the temple there. I heard the children singing and ever as they sang, I thought the voice of angels from heaven in answer rang. I thought the voice of angels from heaven in answer rang.

Jerusalem! Jerusalem! Lift up your gates and sing, hosanna in the highest! Hosanna to your King!

And then I thought my dream was changed, the streets no longer rang. Hushed were the glad hosannas the little children sang. The sun grew dark with mystery, the morn was cold and chill as the shadow of a cross arose upon a lonely hill, as the shadow of a cross arose upon a lonely hill.
Jerusalem! Jerusalem! Hark! how the angels sing, hosanna in the highest. Hosanna to your King!

And once again the scene was changed, new earth there seemed to be. I saw the Holy City beside the tideless sea. The light of God was on its streets, the gates were open wide; and all who would might enter and no one was denied. No need of moon or stars by night or sun to shine by day; it was the new Jerusalem that would not pass away. It was the new Jerusalem that would not pass away.

Jerusalem! Jerusalem! Sing, for the night is o’er. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna forevermore! Hosanna in the highest, hosanna forevermore!

**Life at St. Luke’s**

Rev. Wendy Lambert

**Mission Moment**

El Sistema Oklahoma

**Dedication of Tithes and Offerings**

Dr. Robert E. Long

**Offertory**

Muse’s Starlight

El Sistema Oklahoma

The Continuum Quartet

*†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.

**†The Gospel**

Susan Easttom

And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the maids of the high priest came; and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him, and said, "You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus.” But he denied it, saying, "I neither know nor understand what you mean.” And he went out into the gateway. And the maid saw him, and began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." But again he denied it. And after a little while again the bystanders said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.” But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know this man of whom you speak.” And immediately the cock crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.” And he broke down and wept. (Mark 14:66 - 72)

This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**Sermon**

Dr. Robert E. Long

*When the Cock Crowed Twice*

From the Sermon Series: Running in the Wrong Direction

**Musical Reflection**

arr. Smith/Hall

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

Robert Fasol, piano

**Invocation 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 301*  
*NEAR THE CROSS*

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain, free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calvary’s mountain. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

(continued on the reverse side)
Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me; there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me; help me walk from day to day with its shadow o’er me. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross I’ll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever, till I reach the golden strand just beyond the river. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

†SENDER FORTH
Christ sends us forth - headed in a new direction, filled with refreshed passion, to share God’s love and bring hope to the world.

POSTLUDE
Festival Processional
Robert Fasol, organist

LEADING IN WORSHIP
Dr. Robert E. Long
Senior Pastor

Rev. Wendy Lambert
Senior Executive Pastor
Rev. Jeremy Sanders
Pastor of Program Ministries

Rev. Phil Greenwald
Executive Pastor of Administration
Susan Easttom
Director of Children’s Ministries

Musicians
Robert Fasol, Organist/Choirmaster
Chancel Choir
Meagan Seubert, Soloist
Holly Gibson, Vocalist
El Sistema Oklahoma Continuum Quartet
Angelica Pereira, Instructor
Kaitlyn Snider-Vawter, Cello
Lillian Stover, Viola
Sofia Weaver, Violin
Bells of St. Luke’s
Cynthia Adair, Director

Pat Birney, Holly Gibson, Steve Graham, Margaret Howell, Vicky Kelly, Sarah Kuhlmann, Dennis Martin, Bill Morris, Emily Myers, Rita Pierce, Carolee Poulsen, Melaina Riley, Jeff Sabin, Leslie Soulen, Joe Wine

Holy Communion is offered this morning in Watchorn Chapel at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. It is served by the Congregational Care Ministry Team.

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God:
In memory of Earl and Jean Long, parents of Dr. Bob Long
and in memory of Merle and Betty Kelly, parents of Marsha Long
by the St. Luke’s Staff

Since the beginning of time, people have tried to run from problems instead of facing them. Our days can get filled with distractions. Often, we try to avoid facing the obstacles before us or escape the issues that seem to be chasing us. When we stop running from and start running to God, we can find healing and hope.
**Postlude**

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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.

Helpful Information
Hymnals and Bibles are located in the arm rest of the seat.
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.

Announcements
Call (405) 232-1371 for more info or visit stlukesokc.org.

Holy Week Events
Membership Worship Service
Looking to join St. Luke’s? We’re having a special Membership Worship Service - just for you! It’s Wednesday, March 23 at 6:15 p.m. in the Watchorn Chapel (just prior to the Holy Week Concert). It’s a special service to become a member of St. Luke’s. Current members are invited to come to reaffirm their vows of membership. There will be special music, Communion, and a joining moment led by a Pastor. For more information, contact Beth Armstrong at barmstrong@stlukesokc.org or 609-1045.

Holy Week Concert and Holy Communion
St. Luke’s is holding a very moving and thought-provoking worship service Wednesday, March 23, at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The worship service accentuates the life of Jesus and His ultimate goal as Savior, through music. *The Power of the Cross*, a Holy Week musical suite features the St. Luke’s Orchestra and Chancel Choir. The service includes Holy Communion. Dinner is available at 5:15 p.m., cost is $5 and children 12 and under are free. Childcare is available.

Prepare for Easter with a Prayer Journey
During Holy Week, St. Luke’s Youth are setting up a unique prayer experience for you - interactive prayer stations, including a prayer labyrinth. It’s used for focus and thoughtfulness in prayer as you walk along a path. Each station has instructions for prayer, creating a meaningful and personal way to pray for many things. It takes place on Wednesday, March 23, 4 - 9 p.m., Thursday, March 24, 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., and Friday, March 25, 4 - 9 p.m. in the Youth Room, Room 216. Everyone is invited.

Good Friday Service
Good Friday reaffirms our focus on Jesus as Christ through His crucifixion and prepares us for His resurrection on Easter Sunday morning. Join us for Good Friday Service on March 25, 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The service will review Jesus’ abandonment by His disciples and the crucifixion. The Chancel Choir and select instruments will be a part of this special service. Childcare is available for our K-5th graders in Room 210.

Easter Egg Hunt
It’s time for St. Luke’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt! It’s such a good time for toddlers through 5th graders and their families. There’s the Easter Egg Hunt, inflatables, food, and of course, LOTS of eggs! It’s Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m., at “The Quad” at OCU (2501 N. Blackwelder, OKC). It’s absolutely free of charge, so invite your neighbors and friends and have fun!

Easter Sunday Service
Be sure to invite your friends to Easter Worship at St. Luke’s. Traditional Worship Services are at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary and features the St. Luke’s Chancel Choir and Orchestra. LifeLight Contemporary Worship Service begins at 9:40 a.m. in the Christian Life Center and features an Easter concert with a powerful portrayal of the Easter morning resurrection. All three services will have an Easter message of hope by Dr. Bob Long.

Invite your Friends to Easter Worship
Easter Sunday is a perfect time to invite your friends and family to St. Luke’s. There is a fun way to get an invitation to them. Today, after service there will be volunteers handing out Easter eggs. In each egg there is a card with service times, information about online worship and contact information. Be sure to pick up a couple of Easter eggs and issue that invitation to the Easter service.
Joining St. Luke’s

If you wish to place your membership with St. Luke’s this morning, please complete this card and bring it to the front during the final hymn.

Name ____________________________________________________________ Date ____________________________
Address __________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _______ Zip ________________
Phone_______________________ E-mail ________________________________

Date of Birth? ____________________________________________________

Are you transferring from another church?  □ Yes  □ No
If yes, where? ____________________________________________________

If you would like more information about other ways to join or upcoming membership events, please contact Beth Armstrong, Director of Welcoming Ministry, at (405) 609-1045 or barnstrong@stlukesokc.org.

Easter Offering – El Sistema

Giving to the Easter offering supports more than 50 different ministries; organizations that bless the lives of others beyond the walls of our church. One of those is El Sistema Oklahoma, an after-school ministry transforming the lives of underprivileged OKC children through music. Musicianship is one tool to help children grow as responsible citizens and community members and to develop confidence and self esteem. Envelopes are available during worship. Gifts also may be made by calling the Finance Office at 232-1371 or online at stlukesokc.org.

UMW Bake Sale Today
Start Palm Sunday with a sweet treat! The United Methodist Women are hosting a Bake Sale today from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Gallery. You’ll be supporting missions by purchasing some of the appetizing baked goods. Be sure to stop in early to purchase goodies for your Easter Dinner as well!

Easter Lilies
There is a special way to honor and remember loved ones and special people in your life this Easter. You can donate Easter Lilies that are a part of our beautifully decorated Sanctuary, CLC and Narthex. Each plant will cost $20. Order deadline is March 21. Order forms can be found at the Welcome Center.

Pre Enrollment for St. Luke’s Edmond Childcare Center
St. Luke’s Edmond Children’s Center is now accepting pre-enrollment for the brand new Edmond Campus Childcare Center at 900 N. Sooner Road. This brand new facility will include an indoor playground, a 100+ gallon fish tank, and a tornado (safer) room. School-age care starts August 19 and projected opening day for the other ages is September 1, 2016. To enroll you can call the Children’s Center at 232-2391 or go online at stlukesedmond.org.

Scholarship Opportunity
The St. Luke’s United Methodist Foundation will distribute $15,000 from the Bob & Helen Jo Hendrick Scholarship Fund to students at Oklahoma City University. An application is available by emailing pgreenwald@stlukesokc.org. Last year, 10 students received scholarships ranging from $1,000 to $5,000. The deadline for the application is April 1.

Mommy & Me Playdate
New Mommy & Me playdates have been announced! Bring your toddler on Monday, April 4 for a special children’s worship in the Watchorn Chapel at 11:30, with lunch in the Fellowship Hall immediately following. Register your children online at stlukesokc.org. Other dates for Mommy & Me include May 2, June 6, July 11, Aug 8, Sept 12, Oct 10, Nov 7, and Dec 5.

Introducing Text Giving
We have added the option to “Text to Give” straight from your phone. Text giving is easy, secure, and your gifts will be included in your contributions statement. To get started simply text the word “give” to (405) 252-9393. You will get a response to set up your giving profile then you can give easily through your phone. You can use keywords for designated gifts: #Easter, #Edmond, #Downtown. More information is available at the Welcome Center and at stlukesokc.org.

Youth Wednesday Night Bible Study
Are you in 6th-12th grade? Has the Bible seemed like a mystery at times? We’ve got the class for you! It’s Youth Wednesday Night Bible Study! Come make new friends and grow in your faith! It starts March 30 and ends April 27, from 6:15-7:30 p.m. at the Downtown campus. There is no cost (also, this is not a dinner event). Just show up and bring your friends!