

St. Luke's Lutheran Church & Early Learning Center



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

July 19, 2020 - 9:00 AM

Rev. Michael J. Schmidt, Sr. Pastor
Charity Smith, Director of Christian Education
Rev. King Crawford, Campus Ministry
Gretchen Hartsook, Director of Music
Laurie Powell, Director of the Early Learning Center
Tracie Hudson, Assistant Director of the Early Learning Center

Special Guests

Rev. Justin Panzer, LCMS Kansas District President Jim Bradshaw, LCMS Kansas District Assistant to the President for Education and Youth

A SERVICE OF DEDICATION

Welcome

Welcome to this historic event. We are glad that you are here to worship our Savior with us. This land (28.16 acres) was purchased in January of 2002 for \$176,400. Today, we dedicate this building to the Lord's work and to His glory. The building includes a Fellowship Hall which will also be used as our sanctuary, kitchen and pantry, Early Learning Center, Narthex, and temporary offices. In the future, we hope to build permanent offices, a music room, and a sanctuary.

Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. We will be celebrating Holy Communion today. If you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. Please send in your prayer requests to the church secretary (office@stlukesmanhattan.org). We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

Mask Ordinance

Manhattan passed a city ordinance regarding face masks. In order to follow the order, persons who attend worship are to wear a mask that covers mouth and nose. Exceptions are children age 5 and under or those with a medical condition that should not wear a mask. Also when visiting the church offices or doing activities inside the church buildings with groups beyond family members masks are to be worn. Outdoors activities are also part of the ordinance if family groups cannot maintain a 6 foot distance outside of casual contact.

Dedication Parking Lot Option

In case there are some members who would like to attend the dedication Sunday service closely, but are not prepared to attend inside the new facility a parking lot option is being worked. An FM transmitter will be set up so if you wish to listen from your car in the parking area that will be an option. The radio frequency will be 88.5 FM.

Communion will be offered inside as well as outside. If you are outside, it will be offered during normal communion after those inside have finished. Communion will be brought to the sidewalk on the east side of the building toward the parking lot near the single door which has no windows. If you wish to receive communion outside wait and listen and proceed on your own to the location.

As We Gather

When Solomon dedicated the temple, the Lord placed his name there. He said, "My name shall be there" (1 Kings 8:29). Because his name was there, He was there. During that dedication service, King Solomon asked, "But will God indeed dwell on the earth?" (1 Kings 8:27). The resounding answer is, "Yes!" The Lord blessed the temple with his presence. And in an even more amazing way, the Lord took on flesh and blood and "dwelt among us" (John 1:14). And in our baptism, we receive the name of God, and He dwells in us. Jesus says, "we will come to him and make our home with him" (John 14:23). At the dedication of our new building, we remember that we are the temple of the Lord.

Prelude

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Please stand and face the back of the room.

Opening of the Doors

District President Panzer: Let the doors of this church be opened for the preaching of the saving Word of God in accordance with the confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, for the administration of the holy Sacraments according to the institution of Christ, and for offering to God the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, in the name of the Father and of the ≺ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Pastor Schmidt, using the base of the processional cross, marks the entrance with the sign of the cross as he says:

- Peace be to this house and to all who enter here in the name of the Father and of the

 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Please face the cross as it leads us into worship

Processional Hymn – "The Church is One Foundation"



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Blessing of the Building

District President Panzer: Beloved in the Lord, Christ Jesus is present wherever His holy Word is taught purely and the holy Sacraments are administered according to His institution. As the Lord said through Moses, "In every place where I cause My name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you."

Exodus 20:24b

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, though You are not contained in houses built by human hands, we pray that You will be pleased to dwell with us here and to make known to us Your glory. Be present in this place where we are gathered to receive Your forgiveness, hear Your holy Word, and praise Your holy name. Graciously hear the prayers we will offer to You; bless the marriages to be solemnized; comfort those who will mourn; and let harmony and peace rest upon all in this place. Bring us at last to the heavenly Jerusalem, where the Lamb is the temple, that we may unite with all the saints and angels in His praise; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(While saying the following blessing, Pastor Schmidt makes the sign of the cross toward each of the four corners of the church building.)

- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this church building.
- C Amen.

Sit

Blessing of the Baptismal Font

District President Panzer: Our Lord Jesus commanded Baptism, saying to His disciples: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commended you." The holy apostles of the Lord have written: "The promise is for you and for your children," and "Baptism now saves you." Matthew 28:19-20a; Acts 2:39a; 1 Peter 3:21

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your great mercy You preserved Noah and his family through the flood and led Your people Israel through the waters of the Red Sea. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin. Bless this baptismal font that those who are here given new birth by water and the Spirit may receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this baptismal font and all who are regenerated here by water and the Word.
- C Amen.

Blessing of the Musical Instruments

Our Lord Jesus Christ has made this a day of rejoicing. With the organ, piano, keyboard, handbells, and all musical instruments, everyone will be encouraged to "sing to the LORD and bless His name, to tell of His salvation from day to day."

Psalm 96:2 alt.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You dwell in the heavens surrounded by angels and archangels and all the company of heaven as they offer their worship and sing, "Holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth." We thank You that You have united our voices with their unending hymn of praise. Of Your goodness You have blessed us with this organ and piano and all of our musical instruments to enliven our hearts and adorn our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Grant that by Your mercy we may ever glorify Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the
 → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this organ and piano and all of our musical instruments for use in the services of His house.
- C Amen.

Blessing of the Cross

District President Panzer: Beloved in the Lord, St. Paul speaks of the importance of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, saying: "When I came to you, brothers, I did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified." By His death on the cross our Lord won salvation for us.

1 Corinthians 2:1-2

P Let us pray.

Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all that He might bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our eyes may ever behold our Savior and His cross, that we may not fear the power of any adversaries but rather rejoice in His victory for us; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C Amen.
- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the

 → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this cross.
- C Amen.

₩ WORD ₩

Kyrie (Greek for "Lord")

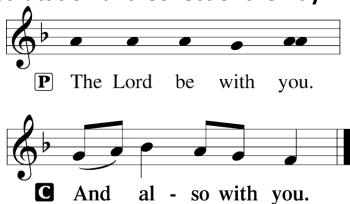
- P Lord, have mercy upon us.
- Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

"Firm Foundation" (Isaiah 33:6)

1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8	Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure
·, · , ·	Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I put my hope in Your holy Word
	I put my hope in Your holy Word
3	I have a living hope (echo), I have a future (echo) God has a plan for me (echo) of this I'm sure (echo)
5	Your Word is faithful (echo), mighty in power (echo) God will deliver me (echo) of this I'm sure (echo)
9	I put my hope in Your holy Word

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Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, the unfailing giver of every good gift, we implore You to dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, so that by Your grace we poor sinners may be turned to You and saved eternally; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Blessing of the Podium

from where the Word of God will be Read and Proclaimed

District President Panzer: The Lord God, by His Holy Spirit, has caused all Holy Scripture to be "written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope." St. Paul charged Timothy to "preach the word." Concerning this Word, Our Lord Jesus Christ directs us to "hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience."

Romans 15:4; 2 Timothy 4:2a; Luke 8:15

P Let us pray.

O God, You have given us Your holy Word to be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. We implore You to bless the reading of Your Holy Word. Purify the lips of those who read the Scriptures here, and open the ears of all who hear the Gospel proclaimed from this podium, that by Your Spirit many may be brought to eternal salvation and earnestly hold fast to Him who is the way, the truth, and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this podium, and the Word of God that will be read and proclaimed from it for use in His holy Church.
- C Amen.

²²Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel and spread out his hands toward heaven, ²³and said, "O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to your servants who walk before you with all their heart, ²⁴who have kept with your servant David my father what you declared to him. You spoke with your mouth, and with your hand have fulfilled it this day. ²⁵Now therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father what you have promised him, saying, 'You shall not lack a man to sit before me on the throne of Israel, if only your sons pay close attention to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' ²⁶Now therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you have spoken to your servant David my father.

²⁷"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built! ²⁸Yet have regard to the prayer of your servant and to his plea, O LORD my God, listening to the cry and to the prayer that your servant prays before you this day, ²⁹that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you have said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may listen to the prayer that your servant offers toward this place. ³⁰And listen to the plea of your servant and of your people Israel, when they pray toward this place. And listen in heaven your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive."

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

Gradual Psalm 84:1-2

- ⚠ ¹How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
- ²My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;

A my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Epistle

Revelation 21:1-5

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Holy Gospel Luke 19:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

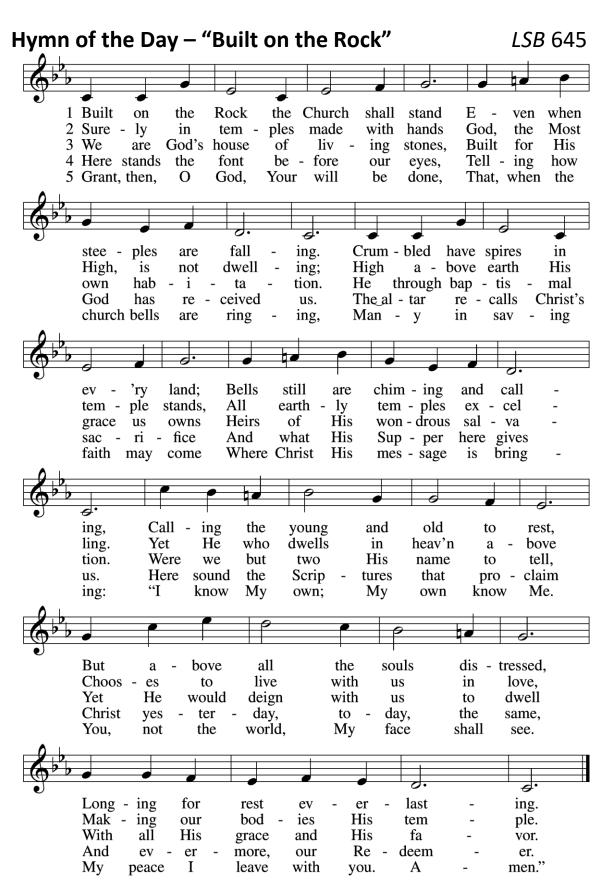


¹[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. ²And there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small of stature. ⁴So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. ⁵And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. ⁷And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." ⁸And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." ⁹And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit



Sermon

Offering

There are several ways to give.

- 1. Offering plates are available in the narthex as you exit.
- 2. Please **send** your offerings to

St. Luke's Lutheran Church 4801 Anderson Avenue Manhattan, KS 66503

3. Give through our website:

https://stlukesmanhattan.org
/about-us/financial-support/

4. Electronic Funds Transfer

Sign up through the church office.

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Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life

of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Church	LSB 283
L I cry to You, O Lord;	
© in the morning my prayer comes before You.	Psalm 88:13
L Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,	
and uphold me with a willing spirit.	Psalm 51:12
L My mouth is filled with Your praise,	
and with Your glory all the day.	Psalm 71:8
L Every day I will bless You	
C and praise Your name forever and ever.	Psalm 145:2
L By awesome deeds You answer us with righted	ousness,
O God of our salvation, the hope of all the en	ds
of the earth and of the farthest seas.	Psalm 65:5
L Bless the Lord, O my soul;	
and all that is within me, bless His holy name	! Psalm 103:1
L He redeems your life from the pit	
and crowns you with steadfast love and merc	Cy. Psalm 103:4
L Hear my prayer, O Lord;	
let my cry come to You.	Psalm 102:1

Sit

▼ SACRAMENT ▼

Blessing of the Altar

District President Panzer: At the altar we receive the sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the altar of the cross and offer to God our sacrifice of prayer, praise, and thanksgiving as the Lord spoke through the prophet Isaiah, saying, "Everyone who loves the name of the LORD and holds fast my covenant, their sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

P Let us pray.

O God, You delighted in the praises of Your faithful servants Abel, Noah, and Abraham and accepted the sacrifices offered on their altars. Look upon us and graciously accept the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving we offer at this altar. Grant that the body and blood of Christ Jesus, once offered on the altar of the cross as the full and only atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world and given us on this altar to eat and to drink, will nourish and strengthen us until at last we gather at the heavenly banquet to feast with the Lamb and all His saints; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(The presiding minister makes the sign of the cross at the four corners of the altar and at the center as he says:)

- P The merciful Lord be present at this altar to
 → pardon,
 → strengthen, → bless, → feed, and → hear His people.
- C Amen.

(Returning to the center of the altar, the presiding minister says:)

- **P** The Lord Almighty, the Father, the

 → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this altar.
- C Amen.

(The altar is now vested with its paraments and linens while we sing...)

"He is Exalted" Psalm 99:9

- 1, 2 He is exalted, the King is exalted on high, I will praise Him He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name He is exalted, the King is exalted on high
- He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name He is exalted, the King is exalted on high He is exalted, the King is exalted on high

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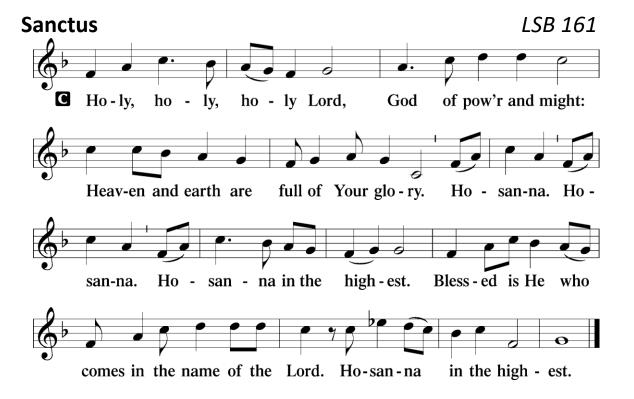
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Preface LSB 160

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilled Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



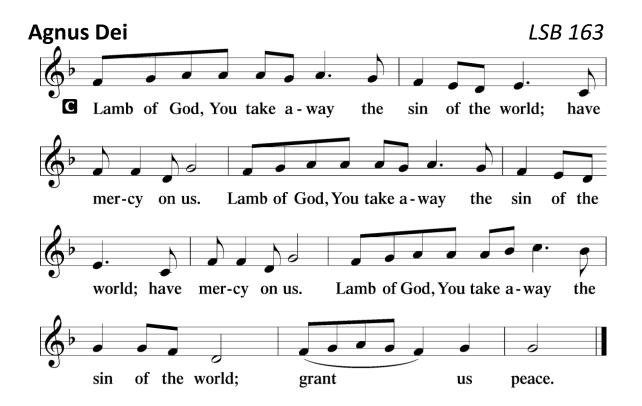
Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C 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 and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



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The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

The pastor and those who assist him will receive the body and blood of Christ first. They will then distribute the elements to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

During the COVID-19 regulations, continuous communion will be practiced. Please maintain Social Distancing while waiting in line to receive communion.

If you are listening in the parking lot and would like to receive communion, please come to the side door on the east side of the building.

Distribution Songs and Hymns

"Holy Spirit"

- 1, 3 There's nothing worth more, that could ever come close No thing can compare, You're our living hope Your presence, Lord I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone Your presence, Lord
- 2, 4, 8 Holy Spirit you are welcome here
 Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
 Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
 To be overcome by your presence, Lord
 Your presence, Lord
- 5, 6, 7 Let us become more aware of Your presence Let us experience the glory of Your goodness



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Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 in peace.
- C Amen.





He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Blessing of the Early Learning Center

Jim Bradshaw: Beloved in the Lord, the psalmist declares that the learning of God's Word is to His praise, saying, "I will praise You with an upright heart, when I learn Your just and righteous decrees. Blessed are You, O LORD; teach me Your statutes."

Since the Lord has taught us in His holy Word that all things are holy when sanctified by the Word of God and prayer, it is fitting that we bless and sanctify our Early Learning Center that it may be a place where young children may grow in the knowledge and wisdom of the only true and saving God.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, since You have committed the care and nurture of children to Your people, graciously enlighten those who teach and learn at this school that they may know the truth and trust in You all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C Amen.
- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this Early Learning Center to the praise and honor of His name.
- C Amen.

Benediction LSB 166



The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



Closing Hymn – "Glorious Things of You Are Spoken"



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Building Committee

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Larry Wesche Steve Williams

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Scott Stone – Co-Chair

Dennis Tegtmeier – Co-Chair

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Honorable Mention

Julie Hatesohl

Brad and Susan Brunkow

Julie Thiele and the ELC Board including Laurie Powell, Tracie Hudson, Tiffany Manning, Jessica Brockman and their spouses and children have done a tremendous amount of work to make sure the Early Learning Center (ELC) was in compliance with state licensing regulations.

Capital Campaign Committee

Mark Hatesohl – Co-Chair Jessica Heimsoth Diane Murphy

Jeanette Campbell – Co-Chair Stephen Heimsoth Pearl Caponera Dan Murphy

It should be noted that many others have served on the Council, Building Committee, and a Capital Campaign Committee many years ago which were also focused on a new church building. The current leaders have stood on their shoulders and advanced the work they started.

2020-2021 St. Luke's Leadership

Council Elders

Walt Fick – President Brad Brunkow – Chairman

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Lori Uffman – Youth Chair Shawn Thiele

Honorable Mention

We would like to give honorable mention to those who have been involved at St. Luke's in all three locations – 6^{th} & Osage, 330 Sunset, and now at 4801 Anderson Ave.

Paul BoschBob HetzlerLona Mae UkenaJeanette CampbellJim JornsGerry UkenaMaurice ("Buck") GehrtRuth MorganEdna Williams

Jim Jorns was involved in the groundbreaking at Sunset as the college group representative (the President of Gamma Delta). Jim attended St. Luke's prior to becoming a member. The most important event for Jim was meeting Edie (his future wife) at St. Luke's the first Sunday he attended.

Diane Mosier started at St. Luke's in 1953. She and Jeanette Campbell were both children in the Sunday School and Wednesday Mid-Week School in the early Sunset location days.

A HISTORY OF LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH MANHATTAN, KS

Manhattan Lutherans began holding church services as early as 1914 when the Rev. M. K. C. Vetter, pastor of the Clark's Creek Lutheran church, made regular trips here to conduct Lutheran Services. Services were held in the Seventh Day Adventist Church, Sixth and Laramie, until 1923.

The first record of this congregation is a brief constitution, written in German, adopted on May 23, 1915. From 1915 to 1923 this constitution was signed by Gustav Ernst Geye, William J. Geye, Herman C. Geye, Herman F. Geye, C. R. Schmedemann, T. C. Maas, E. H. Geye, R. O. Yaege, P. E. Yaege, Walter H. Flagg, Herman J. Petrich, Max Engel, Freol Rasch, Charles Kniebel, William H. Heidel, J. H. Noenning, J. E. Erichsen, C. M. Schlicher, Ben A. Dittman, Howard H. Steup, William C. Walter, G. A. Falk, and Henry Wiese.



Rev. M. K. C. Vetter



Rev. Otto Hoyer

In May, 1915, the Rev. Otto Hoyer, who was pastor of the Lutheran Church at Riley, Kansas, and served here as visiting pastor until 1917, signed the first congregational minutes. Thereafter, C. R. Schmedeman served many years as first secretary.

The congregation had an early interest in Christian education as shown by reference in early church minutes to a special Christian Education Fund.

The Rev. Herbert Petrich served here from 1917 to 1920 while he was a Lutheran Chaplain at Fort Riley during World War 1. Under his direction the congregation was officially organized in 1918.



Rev. Herbert Petrich

On February 9, 1919, the congregation resolved to buy property for a church building at Fifth and Humboldt, but the \$2750 offer was declined by the owners. On April 27, T. C. Maas and a Mr. Biltz were selected to look for another church site. A contractor was asked to estimate the cost of a church building 28' wide, 48' long, and 14' high.

The location at Sixth and Osage was purchased on April 28, 1920 with district assistance for \$2100. The Rev. P. Stolp was chairman of the Kansas District Mission Committee and the Rev. C. F. Lehenbauer was president of the District at this time.

In 1920, the Rev. Petrich accepted a call to Indiana. Prof. O. Knoll, Winfield; the Rev. Henry Scheperle, Jansen, Nebraska; and a Rev. Dau declined calls to serve Manhattan before the Rev. P. Kauffeld accepted on August 22. He served temporarily for three months while waiting for his passport to India as a missionary.



Rev. Henry Frohn

On December 12 that year a call for pastor was issued to the Rev. Henry H. Frohn who accepted and was installed on February 20, 1921 as the first resident pastor of St. Luke's.

Up to April 3, 1921, the congregation functioned organizational-wise with an elected secretary and treasurer, and special elected committees. A resolution on this date brought an elected Board of Elders (3) with one secretary and one treasurer. First persons to hold these offices were W. Heidel, Richard Yaege, and F. Rasch, Board members: C. R. Schmedemann, secretary; Walter Flagg, treasurer; and Gus Geye was elected as the first chairman. Quarterly voters' meetings replaced semi-annual meetings.

Meanwhile, plans for a church building were in progress. On October 16, 1921, the congregation resolved to build a church 36' wide, 54' long, and 14' high on the lot at Sixth and Osage. Building plans evolved in 1922. The building committee was C. R. Schmedemann, Richard Yaege, and Walter Flagg. The congregations accepted plans for a stucco-sided, frame church 30'x44'x16' with a corner entrance, proportioned steeple, and Gothic-style ceiling and windows.

The optimistic congregation had \$137.59 in the building fund when they made this decision.

The church was built in five months at a cost of \$4760.50. Many hours of donated work by members made possible the completion and furnishing of the church. The altar, pulpit, baptismal font, as well as the pews were hand made by members of the congregation. Three services were held on Dedication Day, August 5, 1923, with three speakers—Pastors Herbert Petrich, M. K. C. Vetter, and Henry Frohn. There were 17 voting members and 48 communicants at this time. The first person baptized in this church was Lois Taylor on September 9, 1923.

A Board of Trustees was initiated on April 1, 1923. A new constitution was adopted on October 7 and the congregation was incorporated January 31, 1924. It was accepted as a member of Synod on October 8, 1925.

Early minutes show willing volunteers for special church jobs. For examples of willingness, we note the following: A Sunday School Teacher, Miss Schaff, wanted benches for the

children and W. C. Walter made them and H. Petrich painted them. Walter Flagg voluntarily fired the church's coal furnace for many years.

A budget and envelope system was adopted in January, 1926, which is indicative of the early progressive spirit in the church.

That year in April plans for a parsonage on the lot east of the church was initiated. Building committee members were Pastor Frohn, W. H. Flagg, William Grote, Fred Maas, and H. Petrich. The builder was Arthur Cordts and the cost was \$4078. Excavation began on September 6, 1928 and the building was finished on November 15.

The 10th Anniversary, commemorating the building of the church was observed on the first Sunday in August, 1933. The congregation expanded organization-wise, in the early 30's. Youth groups were organized for college students and the young people of the congregation. The college organization was the Student Chapter of the Walther League and the local group was called the Gamma Club. Later the college group became Gamma Delta and the local group the Walther League. Young married couples in the church organized into the Fellowship Club in the middle 40's. The Women's Missionary League was organized in 1943 and the Men's Club, a year later. April 2, 1944 was a day of achievement for the congregation. At that time the congregation became self-supporting and was no longer subsidized by the District.

Pastor Frohn preached his farewell sermon on October 31, 1948, having accepted a call to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church at Elkader, Iowa. Under his direction the congregation had grown from a small mission to a church which numbered 220 souls, 179 communicants, and 30 voting members.

On July 10, 1949, the Rev. Reuben J. Schmidt was installed as pastor of St. Luke's. The Rev. A. E. Oldehoeft of Junction City had served as visiting pastor during the interim.

The congregation has continued to grow. The Sunday school which has 21 pupils and three teachers at the dedication in 1923 now has 115 pupils, excluding Bible Classes, taught by 12 teachers. In May, 1950, a Vacation Bible School was initiated and has been conducted annually with increasing enrollment. In October, 1949, a resolution was made to have two Sunday morning worship services each week to accommodate the increasing number of worshipers.



Rev. Reuben Schmidt

And at that same meeting, a Survey Committee was appointed to study past growth of congregation and survey future growth of the city, college, and congregation. Members

chosen by the congregation were W. A. Wolgast, chairman, Elmer Frohn, William Baehr, Sr., Frank Werner, and Ralph Klein.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1949, a Complete the Debt Payment Offering resulted in nearly \$3000 and payed all past debts. Special services with the Mortgage Burning Ceremony were held on December 10, 1949.

About this time, the Kansas District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, launched a District-wide Drive for \$60,000 for better church and student facilities at Manhattan and Lawrence. St. Luke's received a grant of \$30,000 for a new church.

The Survey Committee became a location committee May 14, 1950, and bought the Hamerle Tract at Sunset and N. Delaware for \$12,050.00. A special fund raising committee—Alfred Suelter, chairman, Richard Schleusener, C. Wilson Pierce, Neil Schrum, and Fred Hoppert—planned a program for payment of the new location. A generous response by members of the congregation made possible the payment of the last dollar on the new church location fourteen months after date of purchase.

On March 4, 1951, Ramey and Himes, architects of Wichita, were engaged by the congregation to design a new church plant and student center. The Building Committee was Fred Hoppert, chairman; William Baehr, Sr., secretary; and Walter A. Wolgast, Arthur Meyer, Alfred Suelter, Elmer Frohn, and Glenn Klimek. The special Building Finance Committee was Arthur W. Torluemke, Chris Burkhardt, August Havenstein, Frank Werner, Arnold Moeller, Oscar Albrecht, John Kohring, and Henry Prueter.

Preliminary plans for the new church were approved by the congregation on September 22, 1951 and Groundbreaking Ceremonies were held April 20, 1952. Actual excavation began the latter part of May. Cornerstone Laying Services were held September 7, 1952, with the Rev. Walter A. Meyer, president of the Kansas District, preaching.

Records of Official Acts performed in the Sixth and Osage Church show 386 infant and adult baptisms; 217 confirmations, 137 marriages, and 29 funerals. As St. Luke's moves to larger quarters, the congregation numbers 300 communicant members; 420 souls; and 140 Lutheran students under its spiritual care.

Records from 1924 to date indicate that the following men have served one or more years on the Board of Elders of the congregation: B. Dittmann, W. C. Walters, Richard Yaege, J. L. Erichsen, Albert Beichter, Fred Grater, A. Kaiser, Paul Yaege, John Gehrt, F. Reuter, G. Ukena, Henry Beichter, V. Theel, William Baehr, Sr., W. A. Wolgast, Bernard Hetzler, Charles Carney, August Havenstein, and Alfred Suelter.

The Rev. Herbert Petrich, who preached at the dedication services of the church in 1923, delivered the Farewell sermon. Dedication Services at new House of Worship for St. Luke's Church, at Sunset and North Delaware Avenues, was on April 19, 1953. Special guest speakers were the Rev. Elfred L. Roshcke, the Rev. Walter C. Birkner, and the Rev. George H. Weller.



Rev. Robert Rosenkoetter

After seven years of effective leadership at St. Luke's Rev. Schmidt left in 1956 to accept a position as Executive Secretary of the Eastern Iowa District. It was not until June 17, 1956, that the congregation was able to observe the installation of a successor in Rev. Robert H. Rosenkoetter. Among his early responsibilities was the arrangement for the annual appointment of a seminary intern or vicar, to substitute in some measure for the departure of Delbert Schulz. David Scaer was the first to serve in this capacity, from September, 1958, to August, 1959. Dolores Seyfert was appointed to the position of deaconess in 1961. Her duties

included teaching, secretarial services, and serving as organist and choir director. She continued in this capacity until 1963, when Mrs. Johanna Lobitz was asked to join the staff as full-time office secretary.

The Congregation undertook another extensive building program a few years after Rev. Rosenkoetter's arrival. The same architect who designed the church building had at the same time submitted preliminary plans for an educational unit. With the assistance of a local architect, William R. Eidson, the project was revived and carried to completion. The building, designed to harmonize with the site and the Church edifice, was dedicated on October 5, 1961. Rev. Reuben Schmidt was the guest speaker at both morning services.

(The above information came from the "Farewell Service" worship folder. It was held on Sunday, April 12, 1953, at 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM. That service commemorated the founding, growth, and final worship services in the Sixth and Osage Church Building of SAINT LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH in Manhattan, Kansas).

Mid-Week School was started by Delbert Schulz. On Wednesday night, 6:15-8:00 p.m., classes were held for 3rd through 8th graders.

In January 1978, the Reverend Robert Schaedel was installed as pastor of St. Luke's.

During his tenure, the congregation decided to call a Director of Christian Education (DCE); Dave Rahberg was the first called DCE in the Kansas District and served from November 1980 until January 1991, when he accepted a call to Texas. The preschool for three and four-year-old children was started in 1981. This has proven to be an outreach to the entire community. Kathy Meyer served as the Preschool Director from 1995 to May 2013. In 1987,



Rev. Robert Schaedel

the Wednesday Mid-Week School became B.A.S.I.C. Training (standing for Brothers and Sisters in Christ). This Wednesday night program expanded to include not only 3rd through 8th graders, but also the younger children beginning at 3 years old. In 1987, St. Luke's began using DCE interns to assist with the campus ministry program. In 1990, it was decided to call an associate pastor instead of having DCE interns.



The first associate pastor was the Reverend Frederick V. Smith who was installed in December 1990 and left to go to Germany in June 1992. In January 1992, Julie Korte was called as DCE and served as DCE and served until June 1996. Under her direction, the Sunday School, midweek BASIC instruction, and Vacation Bible School continued to grow.

After careful study and definition of needs, the members of St. Luke's issued a call to Reverend James Gau to serve as campus pastor with primary responsibility ______

Rev. Fred Smith for the Kansas State University students. Pastor Gau was installed in July, 1993. Regular Bible Study groups, as well as Sunday night suppers for college students have been helpful for promoting spiritual growth and fellowship for college students and young adults.

Edie Jorns recruited Liz Beikman in 1996 to serve as the HIS (Helping International Students) Facilitator. Our Campus Ministry has also been a member of ISM (International Student Ministry – a Recognized Service Organization of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod) since the 1990s.



Rev. James Gau

The members of St. Luke's started a study for expansion in 1992. Various study committees were formed and a preliminary plan was submitted. Under the general chairman Dick Hahn, committees such as Design and Planning, Fund Raising, and Publicity were formed. The house across the street from the education building was purchased and is being used for college student gatherings as well as other meetings. Other

properties owned by the congregation over the years included 2 personages and the White House next to the parking lot.

Although faithful volunteers, such as Mrs. Robert Bowser, Deborah Dahlke Matan (now of Columbus, Ohio), Melody Humbert and many others, contributed to the music offerings as St. Luke's, the elders decided to hire a person to coordinate the music program for our church. Claire Gau was chosen and began working May, 1994.

Jamie Spikes has been functioning in a volunteer capacity as our congregation's Parish Nurse since 1998. She has also enlisted others to assist her in health-related activities.

When Pastor Schaedel accepted a call to Trinity in Salina in January 1996 and Pastor Gau resigned to move to Ohio with his family in March 1996, the Reverend Marvin Barz of St. Paul's at Clark's Creek served as vacancy pastor with the Reverend John Rath of Topeka assisting for Sunday services. The congregation hired Paul Mabrey as Parish Administrator in September 1997, a position he held until May 2008.



Rev. Dr. Joseph Jones

The Reverend Doctor Joseph Jones was installed as the as pastor of St. Luke's in March 1998.

During 1999, the congregation began looking at plans for renovation and expansion of St. Luke's facilities. The early 2000 Building Committee's recommendation to purchase the Anderson property was the basis for this new church location. In January 2002, the congregation purchased 28.16 acres of land (\$176,400) that became available on West Anderson Avenue. A major Capital Campaign over 3 years provided over \$800,000 for the building

fund. Two families each gave \$100,000.00. Five years of efforts by many members were put on hold because of financial concerns.

The Reverend Carl Groh served as the Campus Missionary from July 1999 till January 2000, when he was released to serve a congregation in Arkansas. The Reverend Eric R. Wood served as the Campus Missionary from July 2000 till 2007.

In December 2001, King Crawford was accepted by the congregation as a Volunteer Lay Deacon. Paul Johnson was installed as the DCE in July 2005, a position he held until April 2012, when he departed to serve a congregation in Texas. Gretchen (née Hendrickson) Hartsook has served as the Music Director since March 2009. Jean Olson began working as the Office Coordinator in December of 2009.



Rev. Eric Woods

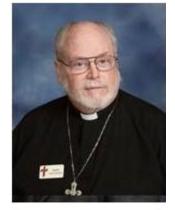
Upon Rev. Dr. Joseph Jones' retirement in July of 2010, the Reverend Jerry Radtke of Salina served as the Interim Pastor from July 2010 till September 2011.



The Reverend Michael J. Schmidt was installed on October 2, 2011. Shortly after that, a Strategic Ministry Plan was created over the next year, with David Beach, Walt Fick, and Diane Murphy guiding the process.

In July 2012, the Reverend King Crawford was ordained and installed as the part-time pastor of two nearby parishes (Christ Lutheran Manhattan and Zion Lutheran in Rev. Michael J. Schmidt Latimer). He was also contracted with St. Luke's to oversee the Campus

Ministry program.



Rev. King Crawford

Charity Olson was installed as the DCE in November of 2012. She married Jesse Smith on April 1, 2016 and changed her name to Charity Smith. Paul Mabrey once again joined the

St. Luke's staff in 2012 as the part-time bookkeeper. He later moved to Florida in 2017. Pamela Hatesohl took over for Paul Mabrey in 2017. The church hired a part time Social Media Director, Meghan Loverude, in 2016. The Preschool was converted to an Early Learning Center in early 2015 under the leadership of Marie Kelley, the Director, who joined the staff in July 2013. After her departure, Laurie Powell first became the Interim Director in 2016, and later became the Director in the fall of 2017. In October of 2017, Trail Life USA Troop KS-0057 and American Heritage Girls Troop KS-0057 were started at St. Luke's. Cancer Companions also started in 2017. Upon Jean Olsen's retirement in October of 2019, Sue Wells was hired as the Office Coordinator.

2020 was an unusually year with the COVID-19 Pandemic. Worship services were stopped from March 22 to May 10. Due to the shut-down, our worship services were livestreamed through YouTube.com and recorded.

On July 19, 2020, St. Luke's dedicated its new facilities at 4801 Anderson Avenue. The Kansas District President, Rev. Justin Panzer, was in attendance and assisted with the dedication. So was Jim Bradshaw, the LCMS Kansas District Assistant to the President for Education and Youth. The new facilities included a Fellowship Hall (that would also function as a sanctuary until a sanctuary proper would be built), an Early Learning Center, a kitchen and pantry, a narthex and temporary offices. They total cost for this building project is estimated to be \$3.5 million.

We look forward to our congregation growing in souls. We also look forward to our future offices, sanctuary, and music room. And ultimately, we are looking forward to our final home with our Savior Jesus Christ. We give all honor and praise to our Lord and Savior who continues to write the history of St. Luke's. It is His story about His church.

