

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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THE FEAST OF SAINT MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

10:00 AM

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Welcome to St. Luke's. We are happy you are here!

Are you looking for a new church home?

We would love you to join us! Please see Pastor Mark for more information!

Are you looking to get more involved in serving God and your neighbor? Check out our upcoming events for opportunities to get involved in our community!

Please join us for fellowship following our worship service today. If you would like to bring a snack to share with the fellowship, please see **Joyce Stone!**

If you would like to make a flower dedication in honor or in memory of your loved ones, please sign up on the sheet posted outside of the office. The cost to sponsor both vases is \$38, or you can sponsor one vase for \$19. The payment can be turned in with the weekly collection any time until the sponsored week.

This Week's Flower Dedication:

In memory of the deceased members of St. George & St. Matthew Episcopal Church

Birthdays This Week:

Tom Collins – September 21st Joyce Stone – September 23rd

Last Week's Attendance: 32

About Our Guest Preacher



The Reverend Travis K. Smith
Canon for Pastoral Care & Wellness
Episcopal Diocese of Maryland

I am so excited to worship with you, St. Luke's! My name is Fr. Travis Smith. I have been an Episcopal priest for nearly twenty years and have worked in the Dioceses of Olympia, North Carolina, Colorado and for the last eleven years in Maryland. For the last four months I have served as Canon for Pastoral Care and Wellness at the Diocesan office. I feel like I am flourishing the most when I am inviting people into the love of the Holy Trinity through strengthening the family of God, witnessing to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, and proclaiming the sanctifying grace of the Holy Spirit. Blessings on all of you! I can't wait to meet all of you.

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Please rise, in body or in spirit, as indicated by the *.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Called together by the Holy Spirit, we hear God speaking to us through the Word of God. We respond to God's Word with our Profession of Faith & with our prayers.

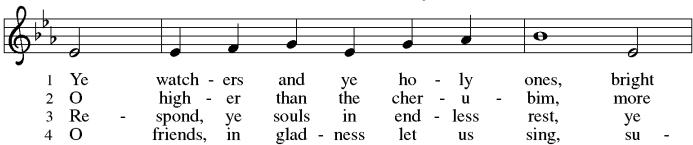
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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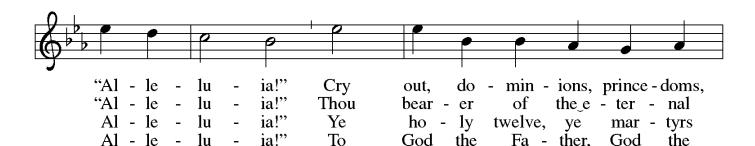
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

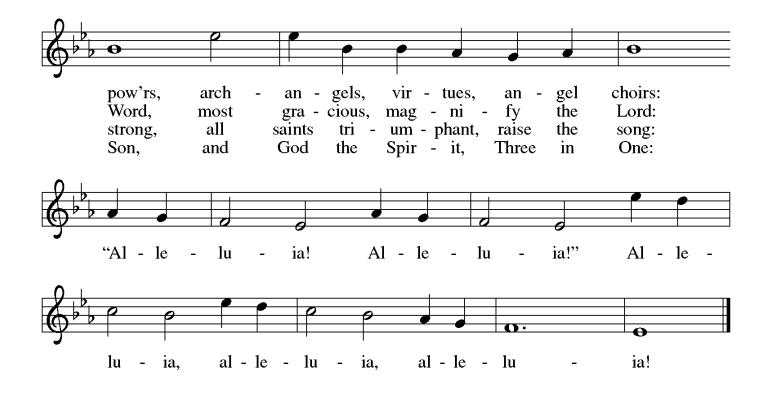
ELW #424

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones









Text: J. Athelstan Riley, 1858-1945

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Köln, 1623

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*INVOCATION OF THE HOLY TRINITY

BCP p. 355

- P: Blessed be God: Father, +Son, & Holy Spirit.
- C: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

*THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

- P: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.





*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of your apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of your Son our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated for the reading of the Word of God.

FIRST READING Proverbs 3:1-6

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, ² for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you. ³ Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. ⁴ Then you will find favor and high regard in the sight of God and of people. ⁵ Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- ³³ Teach me, O God, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.
- ³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with all my heart.
- ³⁵ Make me go in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.
- ³⁶ Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.
- ³⁷ Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; give me life in your ways.
- ³⁸ Fulfill your promise to your servant, which you make to those who fear you.
- ³⁹ Turn away the reproach which I dread, because your judgments are good.
- ⁴⁰Behold, I long for your commandments; in your righteousness preserve my life.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14-17

A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy.

¹⁴But as for you, [beloved], continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please rise, as you are able, in body or in spirit, for the Sequence Hymn and the proclamation of the Holy Gospel.

By All Your Saints



- 1 By all your saints still striv ing, for all your saints at rest,
- 2 For Mat-thew, Lord, whose gos pel your hu man life de-clared,
- 3 Give praise to God Al might y, and wor ship God the Son,



your ho - ly name, O Je - sus, for - ev - er - more be blessed! who, world - ly gain for - sak - ing, your path of suff'-ring shared. and sing to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One,



For you a - rose vic - to - rious that they might wear the crown From wealth that dulls and chains us, oh, raise our eyes a - new, till all the ran-somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,



and share the light of glo - ry re - flect - ed from your throne. that we, what - e'er our call - ing, may rise and fol - low you. and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone.

Text: Horatio Bolton Nelson, 1823–1913, alt. Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune



The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹² But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Travis K. Smith

Canon for Pastoral Care & Wellness - Episcopal Diocese of Maryland

*PROFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

BCP #358

- P: We believe
- C: in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of 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.

*THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP #392

Please kneel or be seated, as you are most comfortable. We join together in prayer for the Church and the world. At the end of each petition, we respond:

- D: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;
- C: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
- D: For this community, the nation, and the world;
- C: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
- D: For the just and proper use of your creation;
- C: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
- D: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
- C: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
- D: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
- C: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

- D: For Elizabeth our Presiding Bishop, Yehiel our Presiding Bishop-elect, Bill our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;
- C: For all who serve God in the Church.
- D: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

In the silence, please lift up anything or anyone for which or whom you wish to pray.

- D: Hear us, Lord;
- C: For your mercy is great.
- D: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

In the silence, please lift up anything or anyone for which or whom you wish to give thanks.

- D: We will exult you, O God our King;
- C: And praise your Name for ever and ever.
- D: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

In the silence, please lift up anyone who has died whom you wish to remember.

- D: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
- C: Who put their trust in you.
- D: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
- C: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit, as we share the peace.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

D: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

The Peace we share with one another is the same Peace shared by Jesus with his disciples after the resurrection. Please greet one another with a sign of peace, either verbally or non-verbally, or with a handshake, as you are comfortable.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Strengthened by the Word of God, and united in our prayers, we gather around the table for the Meal which our Lord commanded us to undertake "in remembrance" of him.

*THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

THE OFFERING

In addition to placing your offering in the offering plate, you may also take advantage of giving through our website www.StLukesDundalk.org, or by scanning the QR code presented with your smartphone.



Let All Things Now Living





*PREFACE OF APOSTLES

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

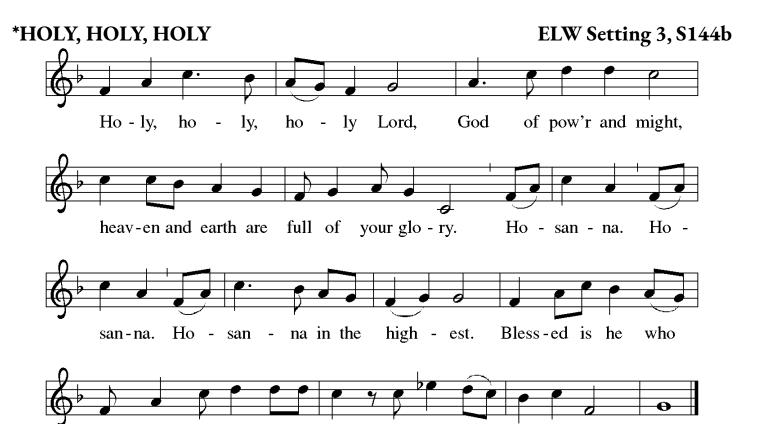
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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BCP p. 367

in the high

Please kneel or remain standing, as you are most comfortable.

Ho-san - na

the name of the Lord.

P: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

- C: We remember his death.
 - We proclaim his resurrection.
 - We await his coming in glory.
- P: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Matthew, St. Luke, St. George, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



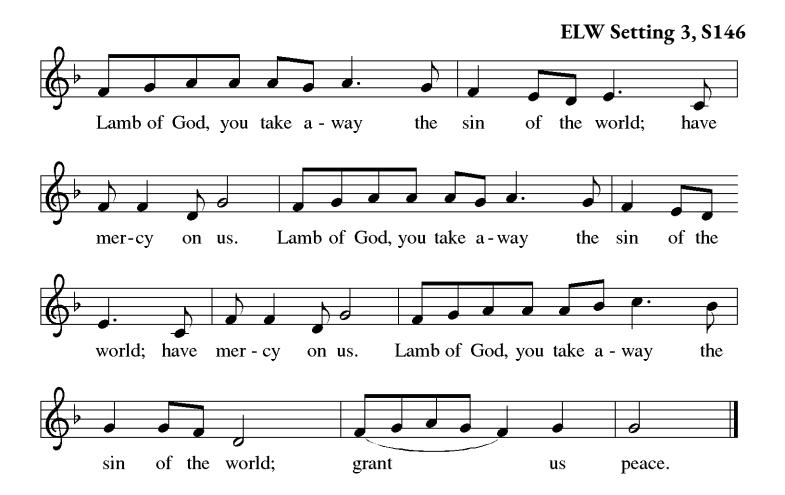


*THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
- 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- P: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
- C: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!



*INVITATION TO COMMUNION & RESPONSE

- P: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.
- C: Merciful God, we do not presume to come to your table trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat and drink the body and blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, that we may live in him and he in us, now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Communion is distributed to the baptized, and blessings are provided to the unbaptized, at the altar rail.

Please come forward, and either stand or kneel at the altar rail. Please open your hands, palms up, and a small host, the Body of Christ, will be presented to you. You may then either drink from the chalice of red wine, the Blood of Christ, or take a small cup from the tray with either red wine or white grape juice, the Blood of Christ. Once all have communed, a blessing will be given to the group, and you can then return to your seat via the outside aisles.

If you would like a blessing in lieu of Communion, please cross your arms over your chest and bow your head. If you are unable to come to the altar or do not wish to do so, the communion ministers will bring Communion to you in your seat.

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 365

- P: Let us pray. Eternal God, heavenly Father,
- C: you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength

and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE BLESSING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

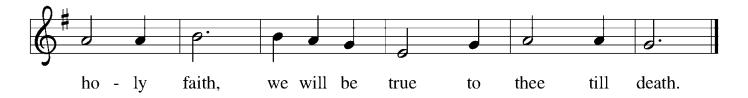
P: May God's love abound in you, that you may give that love to all whom you meet. May the grace of Jesus fill your hearts, that you may be gracious, merciful, and just to those who need it the most. And may you receive the peace of the Holy Spirit from on high, that you might work for justice, freedom, and peace in a world that so desperately craves it. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, and the Son +, and the Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always.

C: Amen.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN

ELW # 812





Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.

Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Hemy, 1818-1888; James G. Walton, 1821-1905, refrain

*THE DISMISSAL

D: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ORGAN POSTLUDE



ROOF REPLACEMENT CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Total Cost of Roof Replacement:

\$116,000

Total Raised to Date:

\$41,230.50

Total Needed to Meet Goal:

\$74,769.50

If you would like to make a donation to our Roof Replacement Fund, simply drop your donation in the offering plate, ensuring that it is marked for the Roof Replacement Fund, or scan the QR code below to donate online!



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Celebrant:	The Rev. Mark G. Dickson-Patrick Pastor
Deacon:	Sherma Quick, OSSD
Preacher:	The Rev. Travis K. Smith Canon for Pastoral Care & Wellness Episcopal Diocese of Maryland
Crucifer:	Karen Akers
Communion Assistant & Acolyte:	Ed Kopicki
Organist:	Jane Rossi
Lectors:	Terry Harrison Robert Jackson
Scripture readings (with the exception of the Responsive Psalm Edition. Copyright © 2021 National Council of Churches of	2

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THROUGHOUT THE MONTH @ ST. LUKE'S

Worship Service	Sunday @ 10am	Sanctuary
Sunday School	Sunday @ 10am	Undercroft
Property Committee	Monday Morning	Contact Bob Martell
Crafting Group	2 nd & 3 rd Mondays @	Undercroft
	10:30am	
Congregation Council	4 th Thursday @ 7pm	Classroom
Midweek Service	Thursday @ 6:30pm	Trinity Chapel
Bible Study	Thursday @ 7:00pm	Classroom
Youth Night Out	2 nd Friday of the month	Contact Judi Kruse
	See Upcoming Events	
Sharing Supper	2 nd Thursday & following	Undercroft
	Monday @ 4:30pm	
Clothing Closet	2 nd Thursday & following	Undercroft
	Monday @ 5pm	
Pastor's Day of Rest	Saturday	Please contact Deacon
		Sherma for pastoral
		emergencies.

UPCOMING EVENTS @ St. Luke's

September 25: Evening Prayer @ 6:30pm (Trinity Chapel)

September 28: Congregation Council @ 11:30am (Side Classroom)

October 2: Evening Prayer @ 6:30pm (Trinity Chapel)

October 3: Pastor's Office Hours 9am-12pm

October 5: Blessing of the Animals @ 12:30pm (Parking Lot)

October 6: Setup for Clothing Closet @ 9am

October 9: Sharing Supper @ 4:30pm & Clothing Closet @ 5pm

SIGN UP FOR OUR NEWSLETTER!

Stay up to date on all things St. Luke's by signing up for our weekly newsletter – *The Evangelist!* Visit our website www.StLukesDundalk.org to sign up!

Together We Pray...

Please keep our members, family, and friends in your prayers.

If you would like a name to be on the prayer list longer than 30 days, please inform Pastor Mark by email at <u>Pastor@StLukesDundalk.org</u> or by text at (443) 693-3530.

Karen Clarke, Lauren Ryan, Janet Ensinger, Annette Beland, Deanna Aleusia, Paula Sollers, Christopher & Dawn Bading, Kay Belbot, Walter Bohn, Jordan Beland, Joan Springham, Ralph Barton, Ann Marie Brummet, Robin Melones, Patricia Lyons, Betty Bowman, Doug Bowman, Linda Beuger, Elizabeth Daniels, Mary Cullum, Kathy Jarvis, Sandra Williams, Bernice Gordon, Robin Viands, Sue & Tom Daily, Frida Bartlett, Laura Ensinger, Joe Aleusia, Kameron Shiflett, for an end to gun violence in our country, and for proper intervention and peace in all places stricken by war and chaos.

The families of Pastor Lee Hudson, Christie Ramey, Anden Sampson, Charlie Kirk, Fletcher Merkel, & Harper Moyski.

Prayer Chain/List Requests

Please email <u>Prayer@StLukesDundalk.org</u> or text or call Pastor Mark directly if you or someone you know is in need of prayer or if you would like to be notified of prayer requests.

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