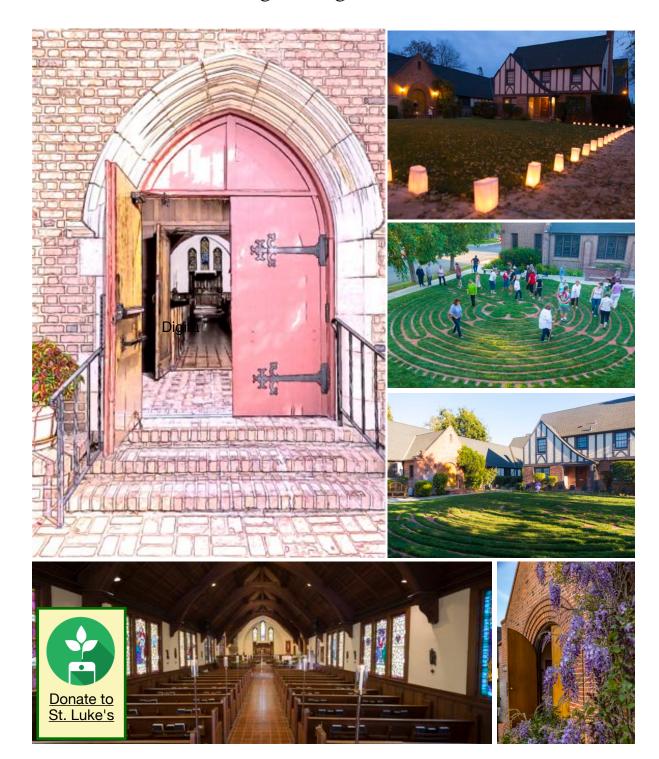
Digital Worship: 5th Week in Easter Sunday, May 10, 2020







Adapted from Daily Morning Prayer, Rite Two

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Psalm 43:3

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

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



Collect

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Transition Collect

Almighty God, look graciously on the people of St. Luke's Church. Be with us in this season of transition. Walk with us and guide us that we may be genuine in our self-reflection, tireless in our commitment, patient in our discernment, loving in our communion, open in our search, and daring in our faith. We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment. Help us accept change as a gift of your direction for our journey in this transition. Instill in us a vision for our parish; that, guided by your Holy Spirit, we will be united in love and joyfully accomplish this mission, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

The Lessons

Acts 7: 55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus,

receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God*.

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; * deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; * make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; * for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, * for you are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, * for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.
- 15 My times are in your hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, * and in your loving-kindness save me."

A Reading from 1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built

into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner",

and

"A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gloria

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel According to John 14:1-14

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Here ends the lesson.

The Sermon, Rev. Julie Vice

The Nicene Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing
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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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 Lord's Prayer

The People stand or kneel
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Deacon or other leader

With all our heart and mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Hear our prayer."

Let us pray for God's people across the world. God of love Hear our prayer

Let us pray for the Earth that we may treat her gently God of love Hear our prayer Let us pray for our family, our friends, and our neighbors. God of love Hear our prayer

Let us pray for those who are sad, or scared, or suffering God of love Hear our prayer

Let us pray for those who have died. God of love Hear our prayer

Dear God, hear the prayers of your people and what we have asked faithfully grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

The Officiant then concludes with:

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen*. *Ephesians 3:20,21*

Tuna Macaroni Salad

INGREDIENTS

1 can of tuna 1 small package of macaroni noodles A few chopped green onions 2 or 3 chopped celery stalks Dill weed Garlic salt

Salt

Pepper

Mayonnaise

DIRECTIONS

- 1) Cook noodles to package directions.
- 2) Mix everything in a bowl.
- 3) Add enough mayonnaise to hold it all together. (I don't know exactly how much, but honestly we probably feel better about it if the amount is stated as a matter of record anyway, right?)

Toss in the fridge. Makes a great cool lunch on a hot day.

Announcements

Would You Like to Contribute to our Digital Sunday Services?

We would like to expand our digital Sunday services to include digital altar flowers and digital coffee hour. If you are able, we would love to see photos from your garden or a favorite recipe you'd be willing to let us post. Email contributions to Shannon at swingbug@mac.com. If you haven't had a chance to check out our digital services yet, please join us on Sunday morning at http://www.stlukeswoodland.org/celebrate/sermons/ Our services are archived on our website so you can tune in whenever you like.

Donating to St. Luke's

If you are looking for a way to pay your pledge while we are not able to gather, we suggest you use Tithely, available via our <u>website</u>. If you need help with Tithely, you can contact Karen Poquette at <u>kpandsp@pacbell.net</u>. You can also just mail a check to the office if you're more comfortable with that.



Weekly Church Events You Can Attend Digitally (all events currently offered on Zoom)

- Monday 5pm: Book Study
 Starting with The Wisdom Jesus by Cynthia Bourgeault on May 18th
 Please contact Mairic James to join: metamairic@gmail.com or (617)
 435-6597
- Tuesday 7pm: Bible Study
 Beginning May 12th, A Journey with Matthew: The 50 Day Bible
 Challenge. Please contact Margaret Wisehart to join:
 margaretwisehart@yahoo.com
- Wednesday 3:30pm: Book Study
 Please contact Barbara Shreve to join: barb.shreve@gmail.com
- Wednesday 7pm: Biweekly Peace
 We want to see your smile, hear your voice, and share The Peace

- knowing you are with us In Christ as we navigate these unchartered, tumultuous waters together. Please contact Mairic James to join: metamairic@gmail.com or (617) 435-6597
- Saturday 4pm: Centering Prayer
 We'll gather, sit together in Centering Prayer for 20 minutes, watch a video, or hear a reflection and then discuss. Please contact Mairic James to join: metamairie@gmail.com or (617) 435-6597
- Sunday 1pm: Biweekly Peace
 We want to see your smile, hear your voice, and share The Peace
 knowing you are with us In Christ as we navigate these unchartered,
 tumultuous waters together. Please contact Mairic James to join:
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