

Digital Worship: 7th Week in Easter

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Adapted from Daily Morning Prayer, Rite Two

Hymn #400

All Creatures Of Our God And King

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

Psalms 43:3

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

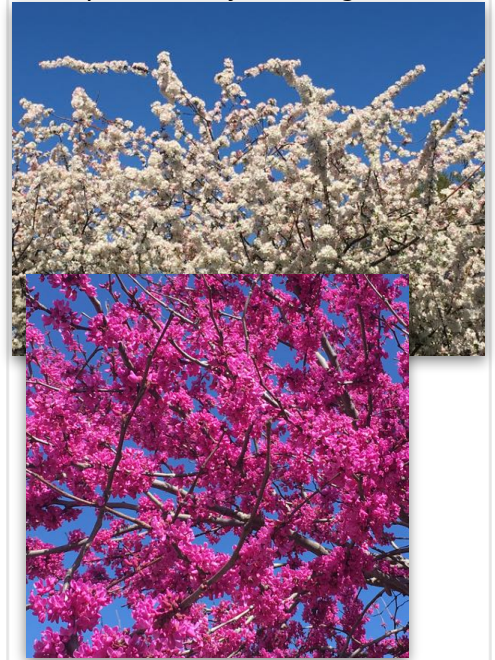
Let us confess our sins against God and our
neighbor.

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.*

Altar flowers this morning have
been provided by Lori Lagerstrom



Collect

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

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 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven,

suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom;
*
but the rebels shall live in dry places.

7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,
8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
10 Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.
34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
35 Ascribe power to God; *
his majesty is over Israel;
his strength is in the skies.
36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
Blessed be God!

A Reading from 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And

after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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.

Hymn #7

Christ, Whose Glory Fills The Skies

The Gospel According to John 17:1-11

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

”I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and

I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

Here ends the lesson.

The Sermon, Rev. Steve Leonetti

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, Form V

Deacon or other leader

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy".

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Megan our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Fred and Anton, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Saint Luke, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Lord, have mercy.

Oh God, hear the prayers of your people, and what we 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:

Hymn #494

Crown Him With Many Crowns

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*

Postlude

Trumpet En Dialogue, Louis Clerambault (17th century)

St Luke's Coffee Hour ~ Recipe of the Week

Lavender Lemon Shortbread

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups butter
- 1 cup icing sugar
- 3 1/4 cup white flour
- 2 tsps grated lemon rind
- 1/2 cup cornstarch
- 2 tbsp dried lavender flowers
(or 4-6 tbsp fresh lavender)
- Juice of 1 lemon



DIRECTIONS

- 1) In a large bowl, cream butter, add in icing sugar, lemon juice, and zest.
- 2) Mix 3 cups of the flour with the lavender flowers and cornstarch.
- 3) Beat dry ingredients into the creamed mixture a third at a time.
- 4) Turn out dough onto a clean surface and knead in the rest of the flour until soft and smooth.
- 5) Line a 9x13" metal cake pan with foil (enough to hang 1" over the edge). Press dough evenly into pan and prick all over with a fork. Chill before baking approximately 30 minutes.
- 6) Bake at 300°F for 40 minutes or until pale gold. While warm, cut into 24 bars. Cool.

Announcements

Vestry Meeting

The Vestry met May 18th. Items up for discussion this month were the steps to move forward with the search process for a new rector, and also the steps we might take to facilitate an eventual re-opening of church for in-person worship. Please note that the church does not have permission to have in-person services yet, either from the county or the diocese, and once granted the vestry will then have to evaluate the wisdom and safety of reopening for our congregation. For any questions or comments on this topic, please contact any vestry member. We welcome your input.

Would You Like to Contribute to our Digital Sunday Services?

Would you like to read in the digital Sunday service? We would also like contributions for 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 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 [website](#). If you need help with Tithely, you can contact Karen Poquette at kpandsp@pacbell.net. 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 uncharted, tumultuous waters together. Please contact Mairic James to join:
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- ***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: metamairic@gmail.com or (617) 435-6597

- ***Sunday 1pm: Biweekly Peace***

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