

LENTEN SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER
WITH EUCHARISTIC READINGS
5TH SUNDAY OF LENT 2021 | 10AM



ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
515 SECOND STREET | WOODLAND, CALIFORNIA

ORGAN PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS & WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

words: Horatius Bonar; music: Vernon Griffiths, 455

- ¹ O Love of God, how strong and true,
eternal and yet ever new;
uncomprehended and unbought,
beyond all knowledge and all thought.
- ² O wide-embracing, wondrous Love,
we read thee in the sky above;
we read thee in the earth below,
in the seas that swell and streams that flow.
- ³ We read thee best in him who came
to bear for us the cross of shame,
sent by the Father from on high,
our life to live, our death to die.
- ⁴ We read thy power to bless and save
e'en in the darkness of the grave;
still more in resurrection light
we read the fullness of thy might.

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant Jesus said: "If any of you would come after me, deny yourself and take up your cross and follow me." —*Mark 8:34*

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Officiant Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

All **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

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

People **Amen.**

VERSICLE

Officiant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People **And your glory all the day long.**

All **Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

ANTIPHON

Officiant Our God is full of compassion and mercy.

All **O come let us worship.**

INVITATORY

Psalm 67:1-5, *Deus misereatur*

All **Let us listen today to God's voice:
Harden not your hearts,
as your forebears did in the wilderness, *
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,
when they tempted me.**

**They put me to the test, *
though they had seen my works.**

Forty years long I detested that generation and said, *

**“This people are wayward in their hearts;
they do not know my ways.”**

**So I swore in my wrath, *
“They shall not enter into my rest.”**

PSALM

Miserere mei, Deus, Psalm 51:1-13

- ¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- ² Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.
- ³ For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.
- ⁴ Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.
- ⁵ And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.
- ⁶ Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- ⁷ For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- ⁸ Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- ⁹ Make me hear of joy and gladness,
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- ¹⁰ Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
- ¹¹ Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
- ¹² Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- ¹³ Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

***All* Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

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THE LESSONS

A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Canticle F

A Song of Lamentation, Lamentations 1:12, 16; 3:19, 22-24

All **Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? ***

Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow,

Which was brought upon me, *
inflicted by God’s fierce anger.

For these things I weep; my eyes flow with tears, *
for a comforter is far from me, one to revive my courage.

Remember my affliction and my bitterness, *
wormwood and gall!

The steadfast love of God never ceases, *
God’s mercies never end.

**They are new every morning; *
great is your faithfulness.
“God is my portion,” says my soul, *
“therefore will I hope in God.”**

**It is good that we should wait quietly *
for the coming of God’s salvation**

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Canticle I

A Song of Jonah, Jonah 2:2-7,9

All **I called to you, O God, out of my distress, and you answered me; *
out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice.**

**You cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, *
and the flood surrounded me;
all your waves and billows passed over me.**

**Then I said, “I am driven away from your sight; *
how shall I ever look again upon your holy temple?”**

**The waters closed in over me, the deep was round about me; *
weeds were wrapped around my head
at the roots of the mountains.**

**I went down to the land beneath the earth, *
yet you brought up my life from the depths, O God.**

**As my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, O God, *
and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple.**

**With the voice of thanksgiving, I will sacrifice to you; *
what I have vowed I will pay,
for deliverance belongs to the Lord!**

Gospel

John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

HOMILY

The Rev. Carren Sheldon

HYMN words: Philip Doddridge; music: Dundee, melody CL Psalmes of David, 709

Harmony (the melody is in the tenor)



1 O God of Beth - el, by whose hand thy peo - ple still are fed;
2 Our vows, our prayers, we now pre - sent be - fore thy throne of grace;
3 Through each per - plex - ing path of life our wan - dering foot - steps guide;
4 O spread thy shel - tering wings a - round, till all our wan - derings cease,
5 Such bless - ings from thy gra - cious hand our hum - ble prayers im - plore;

1 who through this earth - ly pil - grim - age hast all thine Is - rael led:
2 O God of Is - rael, be the God of this suc - ceed - ing race.
3 give us each day our dai - ly bread, and rai - ment fit pro - vide.
4 and at our Fa - ther's loved a - bode our souls ar - rive in peace!
5 and thou shalt be our cov - enant God and por - tion ev - er - more.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

EOW I, p. 41

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

Officiant Hear our cry, O God.

People **And listen to our prayer.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Help us, O God our Savior;

People **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

Officiant Look upon your congregation;

People **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

Officiant Declare your glory among the nations;

People **And your wonders among all peoples.**

Officiant Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

People **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

Officiant Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

People **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Officiant Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

People **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

Officiant Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Officiant O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after

you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Offerings of prayer and/or money are welcome at this or any time.

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LORD'S PRAYER

All **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.**

CONCLUDING SENTENCE

Ephesians 3:20, 21

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

words: Am. Folk hymn, music: Wondrous Love, 439

Harmony (the melody is in the tenor)



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
 God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll

caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
 is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
 sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

POSTLUDE

**Coffee Hour is online, immediately after the service.
 You're invited!**

Bruce is this week's host. Please join us via Zoom.
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- Centering Prayer, Sundays, 7pm, Sanctuary, [contact Tom Eaton.](#)
- Book Study, Mondays, 5:15pm, via Zoom, [contact Tom Eaton.](#)
- "The Way of Love", Wednesdays, 7 pm, via Zoom, [contact Margaret.](#)
- Queer Alliance, Thursdays, 6:30 pm via Zoom, [contact Mairic.](#)

Cover art by the Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman

*In this image, I drew an anatomical heart with the words,
"I will be their God, and they shall be ready with a promise,
again and again. – Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman*



*St. Luke's is committed
to full inclusion
for queer folk.*



WHAT IS TEMENOS?

(Pronounced “tem-én-nos”)

A refuge where community honors and intentionally works with the land, plants, soil, air, water, and animals. This sanctuary offers healing, respite, a nourishing garden, and a place of learning where diversity is sought and all are welcome.

Temenos is located at corner of County Roads 22 and 94B on the far west end of Woodland, across the street from the Woodland Airport. Come by any time and take a stroll.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, May 22, 2021

Join us at Temenos for a socially-distanced gathering and fundraiser. We will be selling containers of Amy Allen’s famous salsas, as well as vegetable starts for you to plant in your home garden.



WE COULD USE...

In preparation for the fundraiser, we are in need of the disposable plastic containers that your plants came in from the hardware store or nursery. If you have a stash of them lying about and would be willing to donate, please email Shawn at triskal@mac.com and he’ll swing by and pick them up.

Our next big expense is the construction of a new greenhouse. If you feel called to donate financially, please visit our GoFundMe page:

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