RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM 11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 8, 2021



ST LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

515 2ND STREET, WOODLAND, CALIFORNIA

WITH CHRIST AND IN CHRIST, WE WELCOME, CELEBRATE, COLLABORATE, AND GROW.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Colin Mawby, Te Luis Ante Terminum

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN words: Edward Perronet; music: Oliver Holden, 450

1 All hail the power of Jesus' Name!

Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!
2 Crown him, ye martyrs of our God,

who from his altar call:

praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

WELCOME & OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be God, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever. Amen

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LESSONS

FIRST TESTAMENT

2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33

The king, David, ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David.

Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on.

And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man."

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130

- Out of the depths have I called to you; O God, hear my voice; * let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- If you were to note what is done amiss, * O God, who could stand?
- For there is forgiveness with you, * therefore you shall be feared.
- ⁴ I wait for you, O God; my soul waits for you; * in your word is my hope.
- My soul waits for you, more than sentries for the morning, * more than sentries for the morning.
- O Israel, wait upon God, * for with God there is mercy.
- With God there is plenteous redemption; *
 God shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

EPISTLE Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God

in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN words: J Clifford Evers; music: The Whole Booke of Psalmes, 1592, 581

 Where charity and love prevail there God is ever found;
 brought here together by Christ's love by love are we thus bound. With grateful joy and holy fear
his charity we learn;
 let us with heart and mind and strength
now love him in return.

GOSPEL John 6:35, 41-51

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GRADUAL HYMN, VERSE 3

Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess; and let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

HOMILY *A time of silence follows the homily.*

The Rev. Alex Leach

NICENE CREED EOW, P. 53

All 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, 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, 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

Presider Let us pray to God with our hearts and minds, saying together "hear our prayer".

Intercessor God of our Mothers & Fathers in the faith, thank you for calling the Church into existence and for sending us out to proclaim your Kingdom and to love our neighbors. Please fill us with the strength of your Spirit to continue this work faithfully.

Congregation offers prayers silently or aloud

Intercessor Life giving God,
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Jesus, Prince of Peace, please teach and show the leaders of this nation, the leaders of our state, and the leaders of our county and city how to walk in the way of peace, mercy, and justice.

Congregation offers prayers silently or aloud

Intercessor Life giving God
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Holy Spirit who knows no boundaries or divisions, guide us and all the people of the world to live in harmony with one another. Help us all to see and honor our common humanity and our role of the world's ecosystem.

Congregation offers prayers silently or aloud

Intercessor Life giving God
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Holy One, throughout the ages you have heard the cries for help from all the people of the Earth. Please hear and respond to our own cries for help. We also give you thanks for all the rich blessings of this life.

Congregation offers prayers silently or aloud

Intercessor Life giving God
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Jesus, in the Gospels we hear about your ministry to the sick and those in need. In your continual, resurrected life please care for those who are sick, suffering, or in any need today.

Congregation offers prayers silently or aloud

Intercessor Life giving God
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Spirit of God, we remember before you all those who have died. Please give them eternal joy in the resurrected life of God. And give your peace to those who mourn.

Congregation offers prayers silently or aloud

Intercessor Life giving God
People Hear our prayer.

Presider O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All Amen.

CONFESSION

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

People 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.

THE ABSOLUTION

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins

through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

BIRTHDAYS, CELEBRATIONS, AND MILESTONES

Presider Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as their days increase; bless

and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ

our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Presider But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for

such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Hebrews 13:15,16

OFFERTORY INTERLUDE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP P. 367-369

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Presider 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 Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

All Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Presider

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.

Presider

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,

All We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Presider

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 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.

People Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A brief silence

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

For those at home or who do not wish to receive bread, we offer this prayer of spiritual communion:

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

COMMUNION INTERLUDE

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,
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.

FINAL BLESSING

Presider May the blessing of God Almighty; the Source, the Incarnate Word, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING HYMN

¹ Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace:

O refresh us, O refresh us traveling through this wilderness.

words: John Fawcett; music: Sicilian melody, 344

² Thanks we give and adoration for thy Gospel's joyful sound: may the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound: ever faithful, ever faithful to thy truth may we be found;

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Colin Hand, Fanfare

Coffee Hour will be on the Labyrinth immediately following the service.

Visit our website for information on how to be involved www.stlukeswoodland.org

Sign up for weekly e-mail updates for information on opportunities to help and to learn. Contact our Church Administrator for details, at stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com

Weekly Meetings

- Centering Prayer, Sundays, 7pm, Sanctuary, contact Tom Eaton
- Book Study, Mondays, 5:15pm, via Zoom, contact Tom Eaton
- "The Social Justice Bible Challenge", Wednesdays, 7 pm, via Zoom, contact Margaret
- Queer Alliance, Thursdays, 6:30 pm via Zoom, contact Mairic

Monthly Meetings

- Resource Navigators

 1st Mondays, 3:30-5pm, Guild Hall
- **Daughters of the King** 2nd Saturdays, 10-11:30am, Guild Hall (No August meeting)
- Men's Group
 2nd Saturdays, 8:30am
 August meeting @ St. Johns, UCC
- Outreach Breakfast at 4th & Hope 1st Saturdays, 4th & Hope
- **Micah Forum** 2nd Tuesdays, 6pm
- **Vestry Meeting** 3rd Mondays, 6:30pm, Guild Hall
- **Becoming the Beloved Community Study Group** 4th Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30pm, leannherig@gmail.com



