

# WORSHIP BULLETIN

RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

## **ORGAN PRELUDE**

Robert Lowry, I Need Thee Every Hour

#### RINGING OF THE BELLS

## **OPENING HYMN**

<sup>1</sup> Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken
formed thee for his own abode;
on the Rock of Ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

<sup>2</sup> See! the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver

never fails from age to age.

words: John Newton; music: Joseph Haydn, 522

3 Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner,
light by night, and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna
which he gives them when they pray.

## 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 O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

## THE LESSONS

FIRST TESTAMENT Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

"How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?

How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof;

I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you.

Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,

and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof,

I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you,

when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.

Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD,

would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof,

therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices.

For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them;

but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster."

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

People Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 19**

- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare your glory, O God, \* and the firmament shows your handiwork.
- <sup>2</sup> One day tells its tale to another, \* and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- <sup>3</sup> Although they have no words or language, \* and their voices are not heard,
- <sup>4</sup> Their sound has gone out into all lands, \* and their message to the ends of the world.
- <sup>5</sup> In the deep you have set a pavilion for the sun; \* it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- <sup>6</sup> It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \* nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- <sup>7</sup> Your law, O God, is perfect and revives the soul; \* your testimony is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- Your statutes are just and rejoice the heart; \* your commandment is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- <sup>9</sup> The fear of you is clean and endures for ever; \* your judgments are true and righteous altogether.
- <sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \* sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- <sup>11</sup> By them also is your servant enlightened, \* and in keeping them there is great reward.
- Who can tell how often one offends? \* Cleanse me from my secret faults.
- Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \* then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*
   O God, my strength and my redeemer.

EPISTLE James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL HYMN

words: Paul Gerhardt; music: Hans Leo Hassler, 168

O sacred head, sore wounded, defiled and put to scorn;
O kingly head, surrounded with mocking crown of thorn: what sorrow mars thy grandeur?
Can death thy bloom deflower?
O countenance whose splendor the hosts of heaven adore!

GOSPEL Mark 8:27-38

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

# GRADUAL HYMN, VERSE 4

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend, for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
Oh, make me thine forever! and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never, outlive my love for thee.

# NICENE CREED

HOMILY

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 We pray for the Church. That we may be united in love, care for our neighbors, and grow in our faithfulness to God's Way.

Congregants may add their own prayers and petitions

Intercessor Holy God,
People Hear our prayer.

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Let us pray for our nation and for our government. We pray for our elected officials, as well as those who work behind the scenes to maintain our public life together.

Congregants may add their own prayers and petitions

Intercessor Holy God,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Please pray for the state of the world. Pray for those places that are in great need and suffering. Pray for our whole planet's climate, for places experiencing drought and places experiencing flooding.

Congregants may add their own prayers and petitions

Intercessor Holy God,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Pray for this church community of St. Luke's. Ask God to help us deepen our walk with Christ, to seek the Holy Spirit's direction for our community, and offer thanksgiving for the many blessings found in this place.

Congregants may add their own prayers and petitions

Intercessor Holy God,

People Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Hold in your heart the cares and concerns of your neighbors. Pray for those who have been impacted by the fires. Pray for those in your community who you know need help or are in any distress. Pray for yourself in whatever burdens you carry.

Congregants may add their own prayers and petitions

*Intercessor* Holy God,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We hold in prayer all those who have died. Pray also for those who grieve and mourn the loss of friends, neighbors, and loved ones.

Congregants may add their own prayers and petitions

*Intercessor* Holy God,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

All Amen.

#### **CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins to God. Presider

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.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR OUTGOING VESTRY MEMBERS

Presider Gracious God, we give you thanks for Bruce Watts, Tom Eaton, and Karen Swan, for their ministry on Vestry these past three years. Thank you for the wisdom you bestowed on them, thank you for their tireless love and devotion to this community, and thank you for their leadership particularly during COVID and a clergy transition. Please bless them with rest and restoration, and give them contentment in knowing that they have truly loved their neighbors as themselves. Amen.

#### PRAYER FOR BLESSING OF INCOMING VESTRY MEMBERS

Presider Holy Spirit, dwell in the hearts and minds of these servants who you have called to the ministry of Vestry: Shawn DeArmond, Jill Kronenberger, Ann Taylor, and Vicki Rich. Help them to listen for your guidance in the days, months, and years ahead. Give them strength when the road gets hard. Bless them with joy in serving their neighbors here at St. Luke's, and in Woodland. And fill them with your love that surpasses all understanding. Amen.

# 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

#### **CHOIR ANTHEM**

words: Robert B.Y. Scott; music: Louis Bourgeois, 601

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP P. 369-372

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 God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of

glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of

interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,

and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

*Presider* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race,

and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the servants of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed

your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets

> and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. People By his wounds, we are healed.

Presider And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

AllHoly, 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.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and Presider made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

> On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Presider Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers: God of Sarah & Abraham. Rebecca & Isaac, Rachel, Leah, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this

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Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

*Presider* Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus

Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship,

from generation to generation.

People Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

People

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 HYMN**

words: William Henry Turton; music: Orlando Gibbons, 315 1 Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray <sup>2</sup> For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede;

that all thy Church might be for ever one, grant us at every Eucharist to say with longing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."

O may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.

- make thou our sad divisions soon to cease; draw us the nearer each to each, we plead, by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace; thus may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.
- <sup>3</sup> So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall ceas may we be one with all thy Church above, one with thy saints in one unbroken peace, one with thy saints in one unbounded love; more blessèd still, in peace and love to be one with the Trinity in Unity.

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Presider* Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, vou 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 Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be; take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me.

2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm; his strength shall bear your spirit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.

words: Charles W. Everest; music: Freeman Lewis, 675

5 Take up your cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

## THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

## **POSTLUDE**

E.L. Ashford, March in D

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

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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 James

# **Monthly Meetings**

- Resource Navigators
  1st Mondays, 3:30-5pm, Guild Hall
- **Temenos**2nd & 4th Saturdays, 8am Noon, Welcome anytime! brucewatts1@me.com
- **Daughters of the King** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays, 10-11:30am, Guild Hall
- Men's Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays, 8:30am, mackw0414@gmail.com
- Outreach Breakfast at 4<sup>th</sup> & Hope 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays, 4<sup>th</sup> & Hope, mackw0414@gmail.com
- **Micah Forum** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, 6pm, leannherig@gmail.com
- **Vestry Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, 6:30pm, Guild Hall
- **Becoming the Beloved Community Study Group** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30pm, leannherig@gmail.com



