

WORSHIP BULLETIN

RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM 19th Sunday After Pentecost October 3, 2021

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN

words: Robert Grant; music: William Croft, 388 Vss.1-3

- O worship the King, all glorious above!
 O gratefully sing his power and his love!
 Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
- O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!
 Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
 His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
- ³ The earth, with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, thy power hath founded of old, hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

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 Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LESSONS

FIRST TESTAMENT Job 1:1; 2:1-10

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life."

So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes.

Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

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

PSALM 26

- ¹ Give judgment for me, O God, for I have lived with integrity; * I have trusted in you and have not faltered.
- ² Test me, O God, and try me; * examine my heart and my mind.
- ³ For your love is before my eyes; *
 I have walked faithfully with you.

- ⁴ I have not sat with the worthless, * nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- ⁵ I have hated the company of evildoers; *
 I will not sit down with the wicked.
- ⁶ I will wash my hands in innocence, O God, * that I may go in procession round your altar,
- ⁷ Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving * and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- ⁸ O God, I love the house in which you dwell * and the place where your glory abides.
- ⁹ Do not sweep me away with sinners * nor my life with those who thirst for blood,
- ¹⁰ Whose hands are full of evil plots * and their right hand full of bribes.
- ¹¹ As for me, I will live with integrity; * redeem me, O God, and have pity on me.
- My foot stands on level ground; * in the full assembly I will bless you, O God.

EPISTLE Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

"What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

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

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

words: Georg Neumark; music: Catherine Winkworth, 635, vss. 1

If thou but trust in God to guide thee,
and hope in him through all thy ways,
he'll give thee strength whate'er betide thee,
and bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love
builds on a rock that nought can move.

GOSPEL Mark 10:2-16

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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

GRADUAL HYMN, VERSE 2

² Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving; so do thine own part faithfully, and trust his word, though undeserving; thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God never yet forsook in need the soul that trusted him indeed.

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,

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.

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,

Intercessor We hold in prayer all those who have died, especially Stan

Moorhead. 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

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 HYMN

words: Harry E. Fosdick; music: John Hughes, 594

on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;
 shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation
 to the evils we deplore;
 let the gift of thy salvation
 be our glory evermore.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 serving thee whom we adore.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Presider The Lord be with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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.

People By his blood, he reconciled us.

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:

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.

Presider

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and 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 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.

People 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

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

O Food to pilgrims given,
O Bread of life from heaven,
O Manna from on high!
We hunger; Lord, supply us,
nor thy delights deny us,
whose hearts to thee draw nigh.

words: John A. L. Riley; music: Johann S. Bach, 309

O stream of love past telling,
 O purest fountain, welling
 from out the Savior's side!
 We faint with thirst; revive us,
 of thine abundance give us,
 and all we need provide.

O Jesus, by thee bidden,
 we here adore thee, hidden
 in forms of bread and wine.
 Grant when the veil is riven,
 we may behold, in heaven,
 thy countenance divine.

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

words: Martin Rinkart; music: Johann Cruger, 397, Vss.1-2

Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today. O may this bounteous God
 through all our life be near us!
 With ever-joyful hearts
 and blessed peace to cheer us;
 and keep us in his grace,
 and guide us when perplexed,
 and free us from all ills
 in this world and the next.

THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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
- "A Journey through Acts", Wednesdays, 7:15 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, stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or 530-662-7152 x3

Temenos

2nd & 4th Saturdays, 8am – Noon, Welcome anytime! brucewatts1@me.com

• Daughters of the King

2nd Saturdays, 10-11:30am, Guild Hall stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or 530-662-7152 x3

• Men's Group

2nd Saturdays, 8:30am, mackw0414@gmail.com

• Outreach Breakfast at 4th & Hope

1st Saturdays, 4th & Hope, mackw0414@gmail.com

• Micah Forum

2nd Tuesdays, 6pm, leannherig@gmail.com

• Vestry Meeting

3rd Mondays, 6:30pm, Guild Hall

Becoming the Beloved Community Study Group

4th Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30pm, leannherig@gmail.com



