

WORSHIP BULLETIN

RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM 23rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 31, 2021

PRELUDE

Robert Schumann, In Paradise

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN words: Wm. Pierson Merrill; music: Wm. H. Walter, 551

1 Rise up, ye saints of God!

Have done with lesser things,
give heart and soul and mind and strength
to serve the King of kings.

2 Rise up, ye saints of God!

His kingdom tarries long:

Lord, bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.

³ Lift high the cross of Christ!

Tread where his feet have trod;
and quickened by the Spirit's power,
rise up, ye saints of God!

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, vou 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 God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

All Amen.

THE LESSONS

FIRST TESTAMENT Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 24

¹ The earth is God's and all that is in it, * the world and all who dwell therein.

² For it is God who founded it upon the seas * and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

³ "Who can ascend the hill of the Most High, * and who can stand in God's holy place?"

⁴ "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, * who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.

⁵ They shall receive a blessing from the Holy One * and a just reward from the God of their salvation."

⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek God, * of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates;
 lift them high, O everlasting doors, *
 and the One who reigns in glory shall come in.

Who is this who reigns in glory?" *
"The Holy One, strong and mighty, the Holy One, mighty in battle."

⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates;

lift them high, O everlasting doors, * and the One who reigns in glory shall come in.

"Who is this who reigns in glory?" *
"This is God, the God of Hosts,
who reigns in glory."

EPISTLE Revelation 21:1-6a

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

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People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN words: Edward Caswall; music: Friedrich Filitz, 479, Vss 1-3

Glory be to Jesus, who in bitter pains poured for me the lifeblood from his yeins! ² Grace and life eternal in that blood I find, blest be his compassion infinitely kind!

³ Blest through endless ages be the precious stream which from sin and sorrow doth the world redeem!

GOSPEL John 11:32-44

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

GRADUAL HYMN, VSS. 4-5

4 Oft as earth exulting
wafts its praise on high,
angel hosts, rejoicing,
make their glad reply.

Lift ye then your voices;
 swell the mighty flood;
 louder still and louder
 praise the precious blood.

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.

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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 Holy God, please care for the Church. Give us hearts of love, guide us into living in harmony, and make us into the body of Christ in the world.

A moment of silence for the congregation to pray aloud or silently

Intercessor Loving God,
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Jesus, heal any sickness or brokenness in our nation and our government. Teach us all to pursue justice, love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

A moment of silence for the congregation to pray aloud or silently

Intercessor Loving God,
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Holy Spirit, the Breath of God, you fill the whole world with life. Please help us to preserve that life. Show us the way to live in peace with our global neighbors, and to honor all of creation including our environment.

A moment of silence for the congregation to pray aloud or silently

Intercessor Loving God,
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor God who is Mother and Father to us all, listen to our community's petitions, thanksgivings, and cries for help. Bring us healing, strength, and growth.

A moment of silence for the congregation to pray aloud or silently

Intercessor Loving God,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Jesus, care for those in pain, suffering, or any kind of loss. Share your love with those who are lonely and isolated. Breathe your peace into the hearts of the anxious and the despairing. Give your wisdom to those who are lost or confused.

A moment of silence for the congregation to pray aloud or silently

Intercessor Loving God,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Holy Spirit, carry all those who have died into the Holy Embrace of Love. Comfort those who are mourning. And seal us with the promise of everlasting life.

Presider We remember especially those saints in our midst who have died this last year: Barbara Geer, Joan Innes, Sally Morrison, Elizabeth Crain, Bruce Ahlquist, Stan Moorhead.

A moment of silence for the congregation to pray aloud or silently

Intercessor Loving God,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, 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

CHOIR ANTHEM George Hugh Bourne/William Owen, Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

EOW, **PAGES** 57-59

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Presider For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

Presider Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

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 Blessed

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. 58 You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the

wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life

Presider

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider

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Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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 HYMN

words: Richard Mant; music: Henry John Gauntlett, 279

1 For thy dear saints, O Lord, who strove in thee to live, who followed thee, obeyed, adored, our grateful hymn receive.

2 They all in life and death, with thee their Lord in view, learned from thy Holy Spirit's breath to suffer and to do. 3 Thine earthly members fit to join thy saints above, in one communion ever knit, one fellowship of love.

4 Jesus, thy Name we bless, and humbly pray that we may follow them in holiness, who lived and died for thee.

SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of God and this community, we send you forth bearing these Holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the

communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread,

one cup.

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: Wm. Walsham How; music: Ralph V. Williams, 287, Vss 1-3

¹ For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy Name, O Jesus, be for ever blessed.

Alleluia, alleluia!

² Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might: thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, the one true Light.

Alleluia, alleluia!

³ O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.

Alleluia, alleluia!

THE DISMISSAL

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

Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

J.S. Bach, Toccata in D Minor

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

 2^{nd} 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



