



ST. LUKE'S
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CHURCH
WOODLAND, CA

WORSHIP BULLETIN

RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM
24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 7, 2021

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN

words: Frances R. Havergal; music: John B. Dykes, 707

¹ Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

² Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

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, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

FIRST TESTAMENT

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz,

with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.” She said to her, “All that you tell me I will do.”

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.” Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, “A son has been born to Naomi.” They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

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

PSALM 127

- ¹ Unless God builds the house, *
their labor is in vain who build it.
- ² Unless God watches over the city, *
in vain the sentries keep their vigil.
- ³ It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; *
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,
for God gives to the beloved sleep.
- ⁴ Children are a heritage from God, *
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.
- ⁵ Like arrows in the hand of a warrior *
are the children of one’s youth.
- ⁶ Happy are they who have their quivers full of them; *
they shall not be put to shame
when they contend with their enemies in the gate

EPISTLE

Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN *words: John Keble & Wm. John Hall; music: Johann B Konig, 656, Vss 1-2*

¹ Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

² The Lord, who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with us,
our pattern and our King;

GOSPEL

Mark 12:38-44

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have

contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

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

GRADUAL HYMN, 656 VSS. 3-4

³ he to the lowly soul will still himself impart and for his dwelling and his throne will choose the pure in heart.	⁴ Lord, we thy presence seek; may ours this blessing be; give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple fit for thee.
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HOMILY *A time of silence follows the homily.* The Rev. Alex Leach

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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 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*

OFFERTORY HYMN *words: Frank von Christierson; words: Ralph V. Williams, 705*

¹ As those of old their first fruits brought of vineyard, flock, and field to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield; so we today our first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of farm and market, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.	² A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give; to make our life an offering to God that all may live; the Church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true: a world redeemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.
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³ With gratitude and humble trust
 we bring our best to thee
to serve thy cause and share thy love
 with all humanity.
O thou who gavest us thyself
 in Jesus Christ thy Son,
help us to give ourselves each day
 until life's work is done.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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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.

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

words: Brian A. Wren; music: Annabel M. Buchanan, 304

¹ I come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me.

² I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.

³ As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

⁴ And thus with joy we meet our Lord.
His presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known:
we see, and praise him here.

⁵ Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world,
we'll live and speak his praise.

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: *G.A. Studdert-Kennedy*; music: *Elkanah K. Dare*, 9, Vss. 1,3,5,6

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| <p>¹ Not here for high and holy things
 we render thanks to thee,
but for the common things of earth,
 the purple pageantry
of dawning and of dying days,
 the splendor of the sea,</p> <p>³ of faith and hope and love undimmed,
 undying still through death,
the resurrection of the world,
 what time there comes the breath
of dawn that rustles through the trees,
 and that clear voice that saith:</p> | <p>⁵ Come, let thy voice be one with theirs,
 shout with their shout of praise;
see how the giant sun soars up,
 great lord of years and days!
So let the love of Jesus come
 and set thy soul ablaze,</p> <p>⁶ to give and give, and give again,
 what God hath given thee;
to spend thyself nor count the cost;
 to serve right gloriously
the God who gave all worlds that are,
 and all that are to be.</p> |
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THE DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

**FLOWERS DONATED BY BRUCE & STACEY WATTS IN HONOR OF THEIR
DAUGHTER, CALISTA DAVID.**

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
- **Temenos Drum Circle**
2nd Sundays, 5pm, Temenos
- **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



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