



WORSHIP BULLETIN
RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 13, 2022

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN *The God of Abraham Praise* The Hymnal 1982 #401, vss. 1-3

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Presider Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

Presider Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

CONFESSION

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

People **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

TRISAGION

Presider Holy God
Holy and Mighty
Holy Immortal One

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Repeat 3 times

THE COLLECT OF DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Presider O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” But the word of the Lord came to him, “This man shall not be your

heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, “I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.” But he said, “O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 27

¹ God is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *

God is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

² When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *

it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.

³ Though an army should encamp against me, *

yet my heart shall not be afraid;

⁴ And though war should rise up against me, *

yet will I put my trust in God.

⁵ One thing have I asked of you, O God; one thing I seek: *

that I may dwell in your house all the days of my life,

⁶ To behold your fair beauty, O God, *

and to seek you in your temple.

⁷ For in the day of trouble you shall keep me safe in your shelter; *

you shall hide me in the secrecy of your dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

- ⁸ Even now you lift up my head *
above my enemies round about me.
- ⁹ Therefore I will offer in your dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to you.
- ¹⁰ Hearken to my voice, O Most High, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.
- ¹¹ You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, O God, will I seek.
- ¹² Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- ¹³ You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- ¹⁴ Though my father and my mother forsake me,*
you will sustain me.
- ¹⁵ Show me your way, O God, *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.
- ¹⁶ Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, *
for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.
- ¹⁷ What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of my God *
in the land of the living!
- ¹⁸ O tarry and await God's pleasure; be strong, and let your heart take comfort; *
wait patiently for God.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

GRADUAL HYMN *Wilt Thou Forgive That Sin* The Hymnal 1982 #140, vss. 1-2

GOSPEL Luke 13:31-35

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

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

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

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

GRADUAL HYMN *Wilt Thou Forgive That Sin* The Hymnal 1982 #140, vs. 3

HOMILY The Rev. Alex Leach

A time of silence follows the homily

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 together for the state of our world, the church, for ourselves, and for our neighbors. We will bring our prayers together in the response “have mercy on us.”

Intercessor For the Church: pray that God may continue to work in the church to transform us into Christ’s hands and feet in the world. Pray that during Lent we may be reminded of our mission to seek reconciliation between all people and God.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For our Nation: may God’s wisdom, compassion, and justice be poured out into our streets. Pray that the Holy Spirit may lead those who hold the authority of government. And pray that the divisions and wounds in our country be healed.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For the World: pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for Russia. Pray for the whole global community as nations discern how to best respond to such crisis to maintain peace. Also pray for the Earth's environment which we all depend upon.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For yourself: offer to God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit whatever vulnerabilities, pain, hardship, or sorrow you carry. Ask for God's help. And give thanks to God for all the blessings and joys in your life.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For those who are suffering in any way: think about your neighbors who are lonely, scared, sick, in pain, are experiencing sorrow and loss, and those who have been marginalized by society. Pray for them. Ask Jesus how he would direct you to care for them.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Intercessor For those who have died: pray that they may be brought into God's everlasting reign of joy and peace. Pray for those who are grieving. And give thanks for those people we see no longer but who continue to bless us.

A moment of silence.

Intercessor Compassionate God,
People **have mercy on us.**

Presider Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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 *Hail thou once despised Jesus* The Hymnal 1982 #495

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP PGS. 361-363

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.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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.**

Presider Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

Presider On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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

FRACTION HYMN

Agnus Dei

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Re - deem - er, Re - deem - er of the world, give us your

peace, give us your peace.

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.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION HYMN *And now O Father mindful of the love* The Hymnal 1982 #337

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 bread, one cup.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand.

All **Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE LENTEN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Presider Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel and the Presider says the following prayer:

Presider Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CONCLUDING HYMN *O Jesus Christ may grateful hymns be* The Hymnal 1982 #590

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Upcoming Events

Lenten Noonday Prayer Services

Thursdays, Noon, March 3-April 7, Sanctuary

Silent Movie Fundraiser, March 12, 2022, 3pm at St. Luke's Church

Come and bring a friend to enjoy some classic Silent Movie magic with live organ playing by our Music Director and Organist, Dean Mora. Silent movies were an art experience created by not only the moving pictures but also by skilled organists playing alongside the film. We will experience this magic together while viewing classic artists Charlie Chaplin, Buster Keaton, Charlie Chase, and Laurel & Hardy. Tickets will be \$12 ahead of time, \$15 at the door (and children under 12 get in for only \$5). Tickets can be purchased by contacting the church office (stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or call 530-662-7152 ext. 3). Please spread the word and if you'd like to bake some baked goods for our intermission snack bar please contact Alex+

Lenten Lunches, Every Wednesday of Lent, March 9 - April 13th at 12 noon

During Lent the Christian churches within WEMM (Woodland Ecumenical Multi-Faith Ministries) gather on Wednesdays to share a meal together. Each faith community offers some words and a reflection about Lent in light of their own tradition. On March 16th, the lunch will be at Woodland Christian Church (509 College St). **St. Luke's will be hosting this lunch on April 6th.** If you would like to help host this please speak with Rev. Alex.

Lent Grief Events

One of our intentional offerings this year for Lent are community gatherings to process grief.

- **March 19th at 1:30 pm** - Processing our Grief about Rev. Terri
- **April 2nd at 1:30 pm** - Processing our Grief about the last 2 years of Pandemic
- **April 14th at 6 pm** - Processing our Grief we hold today

Sally Morrison, Church Reception

Sunday, March 20th, 2:30pm at St. Luke's

Please join us at a reception being held here at St. Luke's, to honor and remember Sally.

Palm Sunday Labyrinth Service, April 10th, 2:30 pm

Come after lunch and learn about the labyrinth as a spiritual practice and engaged in a labyrinth service geared around Holy Week. Holy Week is a journey. And it is both an external journey as well as an internal journey. The labyrinth will help us walk that path of death and resurrection outwardly and in our souls. Bring sunscreen and water! The service will be an hour or less.

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
- **Choir Practice, Wednesdays, 6pm, Sanctuary**
- **“A Journey through Acts”, Wednesdays, 7:15 pm, via Zoom**, contact Margaret Wisehart (margaretwisehart@yahoo.com)

Monthly Meetings

- **Resource Navigators**
Next meeting is Monday, May 9th – 3:30pm-5pm, Guild Hall
stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or 530-662-7152 x3
- **Temenos (On pause until Spring)**
2nd & 4th Saturdays, 8am – Noon, Welcome anytime! brucewatts1@me.com
- **Temenos Drum Circle (On pause until Spring)**
2nd Sundays, 4:30pm, 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 Thursdays, 6:30pm, Guild Hall
- **Becoming the Beloved Community Study Group**
4th Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30pm, leannherig@gmail.com