



The Parish of Saint Luke

- The Physician -

Episcopal Church

Healing the world, one welcome at a time.

21 February 2021 † First Sunday in Lent

† “Holy Communing” - 10:00 am †

*“Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith...
You are welcome here.”*

You will hear these words every week at St. Luke's, as we invite you to join us for the Word and Sacraments that are God's gifts to us all. It doesn't matter who you are, what you look like, what you have done in the past, or who you love. God's grace is not petty; it is not earned. It is radical and universal.

With that in mind, we at St. Luke's seek to mirror God's healing love by making this community a safe place for skeptics, doubters, seekers, those who have been wounded by the church, those who have never darkened its doors, as well as “believers” who've never left. As a diverse community we have discovered in God a “oneness” greater than our differences. We have come to know that our variety reflects the divine comprehensiveness of the God of all created things.

People come to church for a variety of reasons. In some subtle or profound way, the Spirit of God drew you here. “Belief” is less an issue of the head, than an issue of the heart. Our hearts are open to God and to you as well. Whether this is your first or one hundredth time worshiping with us, we hope to know you better and to make ourselves known to you.

Welcome to the Congregation of St. Luke's!





Prayer List

Requests for inclusion should be called into the church office, before each Thursday. New prayer requests will be read during the Sunday and Wednesday services and kept on the prayer list for 3 successive weeks. Long term prayer requests can be found in the bulletin as follows. All are encouraged to take these names home and include them in your personal devotions. Please help us keep this list up to date by notifying the office when people are better or their status has changed and are no longer in need of being listed. If a name has been removed that should remain, please inform us as well.

Healing and Comfort: Michele Brown, The Dezso, Beebe and Lauer Families, The Elizalde Family, Vince Duran, Cliff Goff, Jim Updegraff, Rena Chavez, Ellen Tadken, John Gibson, Kevin Ashe and family, Sheila Bond, Craig Cerro, Judy DeTomaso, Amanda Jancu, Claudina Martinez, the Cardenas family, David Mercer, David and Tina Avilar, Anne Thomas, Clara Tapia Holmes, Mary Harris, Anh Tran Nguyen, Diane Moss, Consuelo Montenegro, Suzi Carrion, Shari Pollard, Janie Pollard, Suzanne Jones Lugo, Tom Shryock and family, Sarah Thomas, Gary Toops, Sarah Rudd, Denise Ortiz, Patricia Gonzales, Patrick Van Slake, Chris Pitt, Greg and Janine Bonn, Jeannett Armstrong, Claudia Ryan, Steve Baker, Jim Gray, the Hobbs family, Alice Chavez and family, Sharlene Hayton, Cisco, Earl, Jenny Drummond, Karen Jones, Anita Watanabe, Betty Clement, Christopher Fox, Gavin Gutierrez, Scott Lawson, Helen Celento, Nancy, and all those affected by the pandemic, violence, and disasters around our nation.

Thanksgivings: The marriage of Caitie Haynes and Gabriel Avila, *Healings* Danny Avila, Ellen Tadken **Rest of Soul:** Terry Ewbank, Robert J. Dezso, Hector Elizalde, Carol Gray, George P. Schultz, William Edward Gwatkin III, Joshua Sayre, Alva Tedesco, Robert Teran

Birthdays: Jack Savage 2-25 **Anniversaries:**

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Zoom Sunday Church Service Link, ID & Password

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Meeting ID: 894 9097 4454

Password: 818635





THE INTRODUCTORY RITE

[Hymn 150](#)

[Staff Singers](#)

[Aus der Tiefe](#)

The Acclamation

Celebrant † Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins..

People **His mercy endures forever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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 other commandment greater than these.” **Amen.**

[S 91](#)

[Kyrie](#)

[Healy Willan](#)

Janet Clark, soprano

The Confession of Sin

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

**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.**

Celebrant:

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.**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you. *People* **And also with you.** *Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The People sit for the Lesson.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson Genesis 9:8-17

Phil Schultz

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that





is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-9

Les Eisel

Tone I.7

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| <p>1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.</p> <p>2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.</p> <p>3 Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths.</p> <p>4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.</p> | <p>5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.</p> <p>6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.</p> <p>7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.</p> <p>8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.</p> <p>9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.</p> |
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Second Lesson 1 Peter 3:18-22

Susan Goff

Lector A reading from Peter

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel Mark 1:9-15

Mother Judy

Gospeler The Holy Gospel † of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

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

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Neil Tadken

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.





The Nicene Creed *(Standing)*

BCP 358

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made 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 and the Son,
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

Christine Prgent

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love. *A long silence. (slow count to 8)*

For the peace of the world, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one. *A long silence.*

For our enemies, for those who wish us harm, and for those we have injured or offended. *A long silence.*

For our Nation, our constitution, and those in positions of public trust. *A long silence.*

For the right and just use of the riches of creation. *A long silence.*

For all who suffer and all who are in danger. *A long silence.*

For those who rejoice and celebrate: especially Jack Savage on his birthday and Caitie Haynes and Gabriel Avila on their marriage. *A long silence.*

For all who have been commended to our prayers, especially: Michele Brown, the Dezso, Beebe and Lauer Families, Vince Duran, Cliff Goff, Jim Updegraff, and all those listed in the bulletin. *A long silence.*

For all who have died, especially Jaime Vergas, Terry Ewbank, Robert J. Dezso, Hector Elizalde, Carol Gray, as well as those who remain on our prayer lists and the victims of the pandemic, disasters, and conflicts around the world.

May they have rest and peace in life eternal. *A long silence.*

Silence. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

O Lord our God accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Peace



Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
Then the People and Ministers may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Thank you for joining us in worship today. You can get the best quality experience by joining us on [Zoom](#). You can also watch our Daily Office and Sunday services recorded or live on our parish [Facebook Page](#). Previous sermons can be found both there and on our [website](#). To support our services and ministries through our virtual “offering plate,” use the QR scanner on your smartphone and scan our new PayPal code to the right.



HOLY COMMUNING

Offertory

When Jesus Wept
Staff Singers

William Billings

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S 114

Janet Clark, soprano

Healy Willan

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: 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 Creator 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.

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you our hearts – that hunger and thirst for this sacrament of bread and wine. By your Holy Spirit may we be spiritually filled with the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ in our thoughts, words and deeds so that we might live as Christ’s Body in the world. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.





In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Luke and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant 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.
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Celebrant So, waiting with eager hearts for the glorious day of return and fellowship in our sanctuary at St. Luke's, we meanwhile remember, celebrate and offer the spiritual communing of ourselves with you and your Holy Church universal: we who have much faith and we who would like more; we who have been to this sacrament often, and we who have not been for a long time; we who have tried to follow Jesus, and we who have failed, for it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Post "Communing" Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for giving us the spiritual presence of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these times of anxiety and challenge that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. So, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing *(celebrant)*:

May God give you the grace never to sell yourself short; Grace to risk something big for something good; Grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous for anything but truth, and too small for anything but love. May the Peace that passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the Blessing of God, the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with you this day and forever more. **Amen.**

[Hymn 143](#)

[David Hobbs, Baritone](#)

[Erhalt uns, Herr](#)

Dismissal

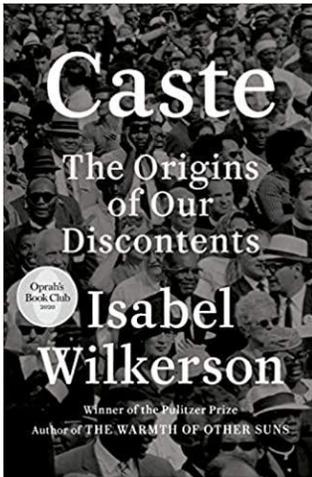
Celebrant Let us Go forth into the world, to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**





Announcements



Rector's Lenten Book Study: (aka) *Read, Reflect, Repent, Renew!*

The book is Pulitzer Prize winning author, Isabel Wilkerson's best seller
Caste: The Origins of our Discontents.

Sunday Afternoons in Lent @ 12:30 pm,

Starting Feb. 21 - Mar. 28

(excluding Feb. 28 - due to Vestry meeting)

The book is available in hardcover, kindle, and audio versions.

https://smile.amazon.com/Caste-Origins-Discontents-Isabel-Wilkerson/dp/0593230256/ref=sr_1_2?crid=2CAX8Y9A1NVAN&dchild=1&keywords=caste+isabel+wilkerson&qid=1613235241&srefix=Caste%2Caps%2C259&sr=8-2

NEW LITURGICAL SCHEDULE (ROTA):

Anyone wishing to participate as a Lector and/or Responder on Sunday mornings... please contact Kathy Eisel at dodgerkat@earthlink.net

The new Rota will start on March 7th.

Deadline for your schedule requests is February 21st.

Note: Holy Week will be a separate Rota. Watch for future announcements.

