



The Parish of St. Luke
- The Physician -
Episcopal Church

Healing the world, one welcome at a time.

26 September 2021 † Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
† Holy Eucharist - Rite 2 - 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 does not 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 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: Bill and Andrea Ehart, Bill Abeytia, the Maxwell Family, Mike Wilson, Ellen Tadken, Neil Tadken, Jerry Brown, Gloria Moreno, Carlos Carrion, Shari Pollard, Jo Ann Mistich, Cindy Stueve, Melody Butters, Freddie Wright, Ellen and Don Tadken, Pearl Pujdak, Conrad Pujdak, Susan Goff, John and Carol Shupek, Patricia Edwards, Chris Pitt, Christine Pregent, Stephanie Fuentes, Jackie Mercer, Kathleen Harrison, Holly Height, Roberta Eisel, Vicky Davis and John Moore, Gideon Chavez, Theresa Leonard, Eileen Daley, Sheila Bond, Judy DeTomaso, Amanda Jancu, Anh-Hoa Thi Nguyen, Diane Moss, Consuelo Montenegro, Gary Toops, Sarah Rudd, Denise Ortiz, Patricia Gonzales, Greg and Janine Bonn, Claudia Ryan, Steve Baker, Jim Gray, Karen Jones, Anita Watanabe, Betty Clement, Christopher Fox, and all those affected by the pandemic and disasters. **Rest of Soul:** Maureen Ehart, Leslie Maxwell

Birthdays: Alison Russell 9-28 **Anniversaries:** Lester & Kathy Eisel 9-29

MINISTERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Rector: The Rev. Neil Tadken; *Assisting Clergy:* The Rev. Judy Heffron
Respondent & Lectors: Lexi Bond (1), Karla Field (2), Phil Schultz (POP)
Crucifer: Jeannett Armstrong *Lay Eucharistic Minister:* Kathy Eisel
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Choirmaster: Kent Bennett Jones

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All references to the BCP, refer to the red Prayer Book with the cross on the cover, found in the pew backs. All Hymns (H-) and Service Music (S-) can be found in the blue 1982 Hymnal (also in the pew backs), unless otherwise noted.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITE

All stand as the procession enters the nave.

Processional Hymn 409

Creation

Acclamation

Celebrant † Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis 421

Allein Gott in der Höh

Remain standing for the Collect.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit for the Lesson.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson

Numbers 11:4-6,10-16,24-29

Lexi Bond

Lector A reading from the Book of Numbers

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,' to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery."

So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you." So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the



spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

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

Psalm 19:7-14

Kent Bennett Jones
Tune: *Dapper*

7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.
12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.
13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, * O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Second Lesson James 5:13-20

Karla Field

Lector A reading from the Epistle of James

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

All stand for the Gospel Acclamation and Sequence Hymn.

Gradual Hymn 609 *The last verse will be sung after the Gospel lesson.*

Gardiner

The Holy Gospel Mark 9:38-50





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

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

John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. “If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Judy Heffron

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: Form IV *The People may stand or kneel.*


Phil Schultz

The people may stand or kneel and respond to the petition, “Lord, in your mercy,” with “Hear our prayer.”

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 Confession and Absolution





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

Silence may be kept.

All **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.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the People and Ministers may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Ezekiel Saw de Wheel

Marina Harris, mezzo-soprano

American Spiritual
Arr. Harry Robert Wilson

Presentation Hymn 635

Wer nur den lieben Gott

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; For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in 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 and Benedictus S 130

Franz Schubert

The People may remain standing or kneel during the following. 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. 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Now, as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Agnus Dei: S 164

Franz Schubert

The Communion of the People *Facing the people, the Celebrant makes the following Invitation*

Celebrant I am the bread of life, says the Lord.

Community **Taste and see that the Lord is good.**

Celebrant So, come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like more.; you who have been to this sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come, whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Due to covid -19 protocols, the Eucharistic ministers will invite all who wish to come forward to keep proper distance while standing in line for communion. There will be one station at the foot of the chancel steps. The priest will take a wafer and





either place it in your hands, or if you wish to also receive the wine, the priest will turn to the chalice bearer and dip the wafer in the chalice and place it in your hands to be consumed. All Eucharistic ministers will be gloved and masked. Those who do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you wish to receive additional prayers for healing or reconciliation for yourself or a loved one, please let one of the altar party know and they will inform the clergy. Someone will be glad to pray with you at the altar rail in the chapel after communion.

Communion Anthem

Qui Sedes ad Dexteram Patris

Antonio Vivaldi

Trisha Rivera, mezzo-soprano

Who sits on the right hand of the Father,
Have mercy upon us.

Commending Eucharistic Visitors

Following the communion of the people, the Eucharistic Visitor(s) may come forward and are commended with the following words:

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us the communion of Christ's body and blood.

All together **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant invites everyone to prayer.

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.

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 for ever more. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 347

Litton

Dismissal

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Allegretto in D

J.S. Bach

The Sanctuary Flowers this week are dedicated
by Kathy Eisel and Lois Woolverton
Please contact Jeannett Armstrong at 626-201-0730 or st.lukesflowers@gmail.com
if you wish to dedicate flowers at any time during the coming year.





Announcements

Prayer Shawl Group

Kathleen Harrison would like to resume in person meetings of the Prayer Shawl Group at St. Luke's. If you are interested in attending please contact Kathleen Harrison to let her know of your interest and your availability so a meeting schedule can be created.

Blessing of the Animals: Oct 3rd

In Honor of the Feast of St. Francis, **Sunday, October 3rd, 2021, 10:00 a.m.:** Bring your pets for a blessing! All God's creatures are welcome. For everyone's comfort and safety, please bring cats and other small animals in a carrier and please have dogs on a leash. You can also bring a photo of your pet, if you prefer.

Every year, we also collect new, friendly stuffed animals to be used to comfort children exposed to violence who are receiving services at the Martin Luther King, Jr., Pediatric Hub for the County of Los Angeles, where Dr. Janet Clark is Director.

Men's Evensong: October 17th

Please join us at **4 pm on Sunday, October 17th** for the 17th Annual Men's Evensong Invitational. The men of the St. Luke's Choir will be joined by tenors and basses from around the Diocese, some of whom have been singing with us for ten or more years. This will be our first Evensong at St. Luke's since January 2020, and we hope you will invite your friends. We will indeed have a reception, but it has to be scaled down in compliance with Diocesan requirements. By all means, bring a bottle of wine to the Guild Hall kitchen with a note that it is for Evensong.

Feast Day for St. Luke: October 24th

There will be **one service at 10am on Sunday, Oct. 24th** to celebrate the Feast Day for our Patron Saint - St. Luke.

Gardening Day: Oct 16th

St Luke's will be having a gardening day on **October 16th from 8 am-12 pm** to do some much needed weeding of the garden and a bit of planting. There is lots of work to be done and volunteers are greatly needed.

You do not need to be available the full 4 hours to participate. Any amount of time you can dedicate to helping with the gardening day will be much appreciated.

Please bring your own gardening gloves. If you have your own gardening tools, such as clippers and spades, please bring them as well as there is a very limited supply of tools at the church.

In Person Services Protocols

- Wearing masks is always appropriate, and currently recommended, given the new more virulent variant, no matter what your vaccination status. If you are not vaccinated, we ask that you wear a mask and maintain healthy social distance, for your sake and for the sake of others who may be vulnerable.





- The pews are marked with papers that approximate appropriate social distancing throughout the sanctuary. Please do not sit within 2 ft. of each sign. Please use your best judgement regarding the seating of yourselves, families or other small groups for everyone's comfort and safety.
- Singing in the congregation is welcomed by those who are vaccinated, but please be mindful of your proximity to others. There is plenty of space, so if you at any point feel crowded or uncomfortable, there should be other seating options around the sanctuary.
- The Passing of the Peace may proceed with handshakes and hugs between familiars. A polite bow is also appropriate. Please avoid crowding the aisles for the time being.
- Communion will be offered, but there will be no sharing of a common cup. The eucharistic ministers are all vaccinated, and with gloved hands will distribute the bread and dip it in the wine chalice and then hand it to you for your consumption. Communion will be served in stations, standing, so while in line please continue to leave appropriate space between yourself and the person in front of you.
- We ask that if you are feeling under the weather that you take advantage of our continued virtual options on Zoom and Facebook. For the time being, you can continue to use the standard Zoom link for Sunday services. It is our plan to stream services directly to our parish website in the near future.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89490974454?pwd=aUFycGxyandlYkxvVXVtemdFOVNndz09>

Our guidelines have been drafted in accordance with the latest CDC and Diocesan recommendations.

