

**St. Luke's COVID In-Person Eucharist**  
**October 17, 2021 Celebrating St. Luke's Day**  
**and the 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Luke's Episcopal Church**

We are delighted to worship in person with you. As we get used to regathering, please do not stay in a situation that makes you uncomfortable. Stepping back, putting on a mask, or removing yourself are things some of us may do at times.

Being unmasked and being indoors can elevate the possibility of COVID-19 transmission. Our 9:30 indoor worship includes unmasked worship leaders within the altar rail and at the organ.

*Monetary offerings may be placed in the Offering Plate as you enter the Nave.*

## **Musical Prelude**

*The congregation is invited to join in singing the hymns. Please remain masked while singing.*

**Processional Hymn**      All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine      *Engelberg*

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine, Didst yeild the glory that of right was thine,  
That in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine. Alleluia!

Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought; By thee the outcast and the poor were sought;  
And by thy death was God's salvation wrought. Alleluia!

Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou Art high exalted o'er all creatures now,  
And given the Name to which all knees shall bow. Alleluia!

Let every tongue confess with one accord In heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;  
And God the Father be by all adored. Alleluia! Amen

## The Word of God

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: holy, glorious and undivided Trinity.  
*People* **And blessed be God's reign, now and forever. Amen.**

*All* **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.**

*Celebrant* Lord have mercy.  
*People* **Christ have mercy.**  
*Celebrant* Lord have mercy.

### The Collect of the Day

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

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in your church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

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### The Lessons

*The Old Testament is read*

**A reading from Sirach (38:1-4, 6-10, 12-14)**

Honor physicians for their services, for the Lord created them; for their gift of healing comes from the Most High, and they are rewarded by the king. The skill of physicians makes them distinguished, and in the presence of the great they are admired. The Lord created medicines out of the earth, and the sensible will not despise them. And he gave skill to human beings that he might be glorified in his marvelous works. By them the physician heals and takes away pain; the pharmacist

makes a mixture from them. God's works will never be finished; and from him health spreads over all the earth. My child, when you are ill, do not delay, but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you. Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly, and cleanse your heart from all sin. Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him; do not let him leave you, for you need him. There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians, for they too pray to the Lord that he grant them success in diagnosis and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Celebrant will lead the reading of the Psalm*

**Psalm 147:1-7**

- 1 Alleluia! How good it is to sing praises to you, O God; \*  
    how pleasant it is to honor you with praise!
- 2 For you rebuild Jerusalem \*  
    and gather the exiles of Israel.
- 3 You heal the brokenhearted \*  
    and bind up their wounds.
- 4 You count the number of the stars \*  
    and call them all by their names.
- 5 Great are you and mighty in power; \*  
    there is no limit to your wisdom.
- 6 You lift up the lowly, \*  
    but cast the wicked to the ground.
- 7 We sing to you, Most High, with thanksgiving; \*  
    we make music to you upon the harp.

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*The New Testament is read*

**A reading from II Timothy (4:5-13)**

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of

righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel**

**Luke 4:14-21**

*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

*Celebrant*      The Gospel of our Savior.

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

**Sermon**

Rev. Kathryn Mathewson

## **The Nicene Creed**

**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 man.**

**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.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.**

**Prayers of the People Form VI**

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*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Samuel and Anne, our Bishops; we pray for all bishops and other ministers.

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

For prisoners, captives, refugees and those in the armed forces. For all victims of war and terrorism. For all those on our prayer list.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

*Silence*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People.*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

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.**

**The Peace**

*Celebrant*      The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People*          **And also with you.**

*The people stay in place during the peace. Feel free to wave, bow, or show the peace sign to others.*

## Celebration Prayers

### Announcements

## The Holy Communion

*Celebrant* Do not neglect to do good  
and to share what you have,  
for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Heb 13:16*

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The congregation may stand or kneel as they are able throughout the Eucharistic Prayer.*

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.  
Blest is the One who comes in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest.**

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. 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:

*Celebrant and People say:*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues.*

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. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **Sharing of the Bread**

*All stay in place while the Celebrant delivers bread to each person.*

*Keep the bread in your hand until the celebrant returns to the altar.*

*When instructed, you may remove your mask, consume the bread, and put your mask back on.*

*Celebrant:* Take and eat.

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

*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.**

### **Blessing**

May the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all, now and always. Amen.

*The congregation is invited to join in singing the hymns. Please remain masked while singing.*

**Recessional hymn**

Rejoice, ye pure in heart

*Marion*

Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

With all the angel choirs, with all the saints of earth,  
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth.

Your clear hosannas raise, and alleluias loud;  
while answering echoes upward float, like wreaths of incense cloud.

Then on, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Your glorious banner wave on high the cross of Christ your King.

Hosanna, hosanna! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant:* We are St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

*People* **Nurtured in Jesus,  
we welcome radically,  
serve gratefully,  
and love abundantly.**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*At the end of worship, move outside, leaving plenty of space for people to walk through to their cars while staying socially distanced. Please do not congregate on the walkways at this time.*

**Lector/Intercessor:** Eileen Morgan

**Crucifer:** Julie Hege

**Ushers:** Carol Joyner, Sue Campbell, Robin Arcus

**Upcoming Schedule of Clergy for Worship**

10/24/21 Rev Jim Craven, Celebrant & Preacher

10/31/21 Rev Kathryn Mathewson, Celebrant & Preacher

11/7/21 Rev Jim Craven, Celebrant; Sam Laurent, Preacher

11/14/21 Rev Jeanine Driscoll

11/21/21 Rev Jim Craven, Celebrant & Preacher

11/28/21 Rev Kathryn Mathewson, Celebrant & Preacher