



SAINT LUKE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

3736 Montrose Road
Birmingham, Alabama 35213

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 18, 2021 ✕ 8:00 AM Rite I

Enter quietly in prayer as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Welcome! The congregation's responses are in bold. The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and The Hymnal 1982 are found in the pew racks. Children of every age are welcome, or if needed, a nursery is available. Hearing aids are available. See an usher for assistance.

HYMN

Christ for the world we sing

Hymnal 537

BCP 323

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

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

The Celebrant then says

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

People Lord, have mercy upon us.
Celebrant **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
People Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask

and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion, we beseech thee, upon our infirmities, and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, mercifully give us for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens

with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

The people stand for the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON
The Reverend Richmond R. Webster

THE NICENE CREED BCP 326

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.

THE PRAYERS of the PEOPLE BCP 328

THE CONFESSION BCP 331

All stand. The Celebrant says:

The peace of the Lord be
always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION

All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING BCP 340

The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.

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 meet and right so to do.

The people stand or kneel. Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds with the Eucharist prayer

...evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

H*oly, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.*

The Celebrant continues

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

O*ur 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 tresspasses, 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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.
A period of silence is kept.*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Soloist: Melanie Williams **

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

A*lmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these Holy Mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist*

us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead us

Hymnal 708

THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ!
People: Thanks be to God!*

Are you receiving our emails? If not and would like to, please email kclinton@saint-lukes.com and signup for our weekly news.

Prayer Team. If you have a prayer request please contact Sandy Porter at 205-802-6207 or sporter@saint-lukes.com. The prayer list is available in the weekly church emails.

CLERGY AND STAFF: Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda Curry, *Bishop of Alabama*; The Rev. Richmond R. Webster, *Rector*; The Rev. David Hall, *Associate Rector*; The Rev. Corey Jones, *Priest Affiliate*; The Rev. Rebecca Debow, *Priest Affiliate*; The Rev. Dr. Maurice L. Goldsmith, *Priest Affiliate*; The Rev. Dr. Stephen McWhorter, *Priest Affiliate*; The Rev. Dr. Mark LaGory, *Deacon*; The Rev. Katy Smith, *Deacon*; Mr. Shaun Pezant, *Artist in Residence*; Dr. Philip Copeland, *Choral Director*; Mr. Jamie McLemore, *Organist*.

THE VESTRY

Vestry meetings are held the last Monday of each month from 6:00-7:00pm. Vestry meetings are open to members of Saint Luke's unless in Executive Session.

Rector- The Rev. Richmond R. Webster

Sr. Warden- Norman Jetmundsen '21

Jr. Warden- Scarlett Simmons '21

Jr. Warden- Wayne Trucks '22

Class of 2021

Rebecca Eubanks- Communications & SLDS

Trippe Gray- Facility Management

Norman Jetmundsen- Sr. Warden

Scarlett Simmons- Jr. Warden & Youth Ministry

Norman Tynes- Adult Education & Stewardship

Class of 2022

Reed Avant- Children & Family Ministry

Ann Johnson- Outreach, MACE, & Founders Place

Bill Pitts- Finance

Krislin Smith- Pastoral Care & Communication

Wayne Trucks- Worship & Facility Management

Class of 2023

David Kimberlin- COVID-19

Allyson Mouron- Worship & Events

Susan Silverstein- New Members & Adult Education

Beth Wilder- Outreach & Communication

Turner Williams- Finance

Appointed Members

Kevin Collins- Clerk

William Nicrosi- Treasurer

Soloist: Melanie Williams

** Melanie Williams has her doctorate in vocal performance and serves as professor of voice at the University of Montevallo where she teaches classes in vocal pedagogy and private voice. She has sung with the St. Luke's choir for the past four years. She and husband, Mark, have two children, Anna Katherine and John Mark.*

Give via Text (205) 576-4100

1. Text the amount you would like to give to (205) 576-4100.



2. If you are a first time, text-giving donor you will be prompted to visit a secure link. The message should appear like below.

"You're almost done! Finish your gift to Saint Luke's Episcopal Church with this link."

3. Once you click the registration link, you can enter your credit card information.

4. At this point, your donation will process. Please note that Msg & Data rates may apply with your phone carrier.

5. You will see a confirmation text showing your donation and registration were successful. The following message should appear: "Your giving was successful. Thank you!"

Announcements

Fall is quickly approaching! Please mark your calendar for our **Homecoming Kickoff Event** on Sunday August 15. Join us for fellowship, food, and fun for all ages! More information is to follow.

Youth and Children's Ministries are looking for interns! Do you know an individual who loves Jesus, has a passion youth and children, and otherwise might be a perfect fit? Please contact us. For more information about the position, contact Betsy Owenby.

Saint Luke's Kitchen is on summer break during the month of July. Wednesday meals will return in August. Interested in receiving our weekly menus via email? Contact kitchen@saint-lukes.com to be added to our email list. View the menu via our website under the "Updates" page weekly.

Saint Luke's Bridge Group invites you to join them for fellowship and bridge game weekly on Mondays from 10 am to 2 pm in room 214. All are welcome - members, non-members, all ages, etc. We hope to see you there. One important note: attendees must know how to play bridge, the group does not teach!