



SAINT LUKE'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 4, 2021

10:00 am ✠ Rite II

Please enter quietly as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Welcome! The congregation's responses are in bold. Children of every age are welcome. Please see an usher for assistance.

THE GREAT PROCESSION

Prelude *Eternal Father Strong to Save* Charles Callahan

INTROIT *All that hath life and breath* Rene Clausen

All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord, Shout to the Lord, alleluia. Alleluia, praise Him! Praise Him, Laud Him, praise Him, laud Him, Alleluia!

HYMN *Love divine, all loves excelling* Hymnal 657

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

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

The Celebrant says

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.**

The Celebrant says

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

ANTHEM

Christ is made the sure foundation

Dale Wood

*Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious,
binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever,
and her confidence alone.*

*To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today:*

SERMON NOTES

*with thy wonted loving-kindness
hear thy people as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls always.*

*Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory,
while unending ages run.*

Please stand.

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 6:1-13

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

ANTHEM

God be in my head

Scott

*God be in my head,
And in my understanding;
God be in mine eyes,
And in my looking;*

*God be in my mouth,
And in my speaking;*

*God be in my heart,
And in my thinking;
God be at mine end,
And at my departing.*

THE SERMON

The Reverend Corey Jones

THE NICENE CREED *All stand.*

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 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.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Glenda, our Bishop, the clergy of our parish, Jane, our seminarian, and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Joseph our President, Kay our Governor, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Edith Ashley McGowin, and William Adrian Lovell Sr.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially Maria Campbell, Jim Ganser, Francis Hagan, Jane Hodges, Fifi Twitty, and Fred Tyson.

Silence

CONFESSION

BCP 360

Minister and 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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

If thou but trust in God to guide thee Hymnal 635

PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION *All stand to sing*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here be - low;
praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host;
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

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.*

SANCTUS et BENEDICTUS

Hurd S124

The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharist Prayer

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

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

Officiant and People

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 Celebrant breaks the Consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus Lamb of God S164

The Gifts of God for the people of God

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Ave Verum Corpus Mozart

<i>Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine, Cujus latus perforatum unda* fluxit (et)* sanguine, Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.</i>	<i>Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary, Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for man, Whose pierced side overflowed with water* and blood, Be for us a foretaste** In the test of death.</i>
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POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Officiant and People

*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

HYMN *Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim* Hymnal 535

THE DISMISSAL BCP 366

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *America The Beautiful* Charles Callahan

Please feel free to share your joys or concerns with a member of the Prayer Team. If you have a prayer request please contact Sandy Porter at 205-802-6207 or sporter@saint-lukes.com. Copies of the prayer list are on the table in the Communication Stations and 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. 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

Molly Sheffield Davis- Junior Vestryperson
Kevin Collins- Clerk
William Nicrosi- Treasurer

Guest Conductor: David Roby

David Roby is a tenor hailing from the foothills of North Carolina. He holds a B.M. in Piano Performance from Samford University and a Master of Library and Information Studies from the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. He is currently serving as the music librarian for Saint Luke's, and he also serves as a vocalist and pianist for various churches and occasions in the Birmingham area. Outside of work, David enjoys making coffee, playing board games, and working with technology.

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:

Church offices will be closed Monday, July 5th in observance of Independence Day.

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.

Rising 7th graders, be on the lookout for a big mail out from Saint Luke's Youth! If you do not receive anything in the next week or so, please email us so we can make sure we have your correct information! Youth@saint-lukes.com

Jericho Road is on summer break until August, but this is a wonderful time to catch up on past episodes. Listen via our Saint Luke's Podcast. You can catch all past episodes by searching Saint Luke's Episcopal Church.

From time to time, Saint Luke's email communications may go to your "junk" or "spam" box. If you seem to have suddenly stopped receiving email communications, please make sure to "report not spam" or "whitelist" these emails. Email communication@saint-lukes.com for assistance!

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!

Youth Bible Studies will not meet the week of July 4th.