



SAINT LUKE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Birmingham, Alabama

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 10, 2021 ✠ 5:00 PM

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

The congregation's responses are in bold. Children of every age are welcome.

Please see an usher for assistance.

PRELUDE

All Sing

I Will Sing, I Will Sing A-85

OPENING SONG

All Sing

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light A-81



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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.**

Amen.

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.**

Lord, have mercy

People **Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

SEQUENCE HYMN

All Sing

He Knows My Name A-57

vs 1-2

THE GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-31

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to

him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

All Sing

He Knows My Name A-57

Refrain

THE SERMON

The Rev. David Hall

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form III

BCP 387

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 for 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 for 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 Donna Hartmann Beauchamp, Robert "Robin" Ambrose Boylan, Jr., Martha Jane Donaldson, Richard Waite Thompson and Margaret Stillman White.

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 Charles Machemehl, Brook Morris, Lesly Simon, and Fred Tyson.

THE CONFESSION

BCP 360

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

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

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEXT TO GIVE (205) 576-4100



OFFERTORY SONG

Choir

I Then Shall Live

Finlandia - Jean Sibelius

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*I then shall live as one who's been forgiven;
I'll walk with joy to know my debts are paid.
I know my name is clear before my Father;
I am His child and I am not afraid.
So greatly pardoned, I'll forgive my brother;
The law of love I gladly will obey.*

*I then shall live as one who's learned compassion;
I've been so loved that I'll risk loving, too.
I know how fear builds walls instead of bridges;
I'll dare to see another's point of view.
And when relationships demand commitment,
Then I'll be there to care and follow through.*

*Your Kingdom come around and through in me,
Your power and glory, let them shine through me.
Your Hallowed Name, O may I bear with honor,
And may Your living Kingdom come in me.
The Bread of Life, O may I share with honor,
And may You feed a hungry world through me.*

PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION

All stand and sing:

***O bless the gifts our hands have brought;
And bless the work our hearts have planned.
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;
The rest, O God, is in Your hands.***

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the consecrated bread and wine of the Eucharist. If you are not receiving the wine, you may fold your hands across your chest. For those choosing not to receive both the bread and the wine, you are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. Please place your arms across your chest in reception of the blessing. Gluten free bread is available upon request.

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

SANCTUS

A-227

All Sing

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.***

***Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.***

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,

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

FRACTION ANTHEM A-226

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 HYMN

All Sing

You Are Mine A-193

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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

The priest may bless the people.

CLOSING HYMN

All Sing

Since I Laid My Burden Down A-141

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

People **Thanks be to God!**



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, *Associate Rector*
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The Rev. Dr. Maurice L. Goldsmith, *Priest Affiliate*
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The Rev. Katy Smith, *Deacon*
Mr. Shaun Pezant, *Artist in Residence*
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VESTRY

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Allyson Mouron, Worship and Events
Susan Silverstein, New Members and Adult Education
Beth Wilder, Outreach and Communication
Turner Williams, Finance

Appointed Members

William Nicrosi, Treasurer
Kevin Collins, Clerk

Vestry Meetings are held the last Monday of each month from 6:00-7:00pm.

Vestry meetings are open to the members of Saint Luke's unless in Executive Session.



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