



SAINT LUKE'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

November 21, 2021

11:00 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

Meditation on "Rejoice the Lord is King" Charles Callahan

INTROIT *Cry Out and Shout* Nystedt

*Cry out and shout, ye people of God!
The Lord is strength and song.*

Following the Procession, children 3K – 3rd Grade are invited to follow the Crucifer to Sunday School.

HYMN *Come thou Almighty King* Hymnal 365

CHILDREN'S MUSIC

Peace Give I To You

*Peace give I to you; peace give I to you
Not as the world gives, give I to you
Peace give I to you*

*Love...
Thanks...
Peace...*

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

ANTHEM

How shall I sing that Majesty J.R. Daniels

*How shall I sing that Majesty. Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie; Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.*

*Thousands of thousands stand around Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound Thy praise; but who am I?*

*Thy brightness unto them appears, While I Thy footsteps trace;
A sound of God comes to my ears, But they behold Thy face.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold, With all my fire and light;
Yet when Thou dost accept their gold, Lord, treasure up my mite.*

SERMON NOTES

*Enlighten with faith's light my heart, In flame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and take my part With that celestial choir.
They sing because Thou art their Sun; Lord, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun There alleluias be.*

*How great a being, Lord, is Thine, Which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line To sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore, A sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore, Thy place is everywhere.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 18:33-37

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

ANTHEM

Ride on, king Jesus arr. Robert Shaw and Alice Parker

*Ride on, king Jesus
No man can-a-hinder me.*

*I was but young when I begun,
But now my race is almost done.*

*King Jesus rode on a milk-white horse
The river of Jordan He did cross*

*If you want to find your way to God,
The gospel highway must be trod.*

THE SERMON The Reverend Richmond R. Webster

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 Mary Hawkins.
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 Marilyn Drenen, Barbara Eisenhart, Charles Machemehl, Brook Morris, Scott Parker, 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 ANTHEM

For the beauty of the earth Sara Langford, soloist

*For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.*

*Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,*

*For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,*

PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION All stand to sing

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heav'nly 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 Richard Proulx S125

The Celebrant continues

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 Lamb of God Christiansen

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 MUSIC

HYMN *Come risen Lord, and deign* HYMNAL 306

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 *Rejoice the Lord is King* Hymnal 481

THE DISMISSAL BCP 366

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Praise to the Lord* Paul Manz

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*; 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

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- Jr. Warden, 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 & SOAR

Appointed Members

Kevin Collins- Clerk
William Nicrosi- Treasurer

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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!"

Interested in receiving our weekly E-News Dialogue? Email kclinton@saint-lukes.com.

Guest Choir Director: Charles F. Henry

Charles F. Henry is the Choral Director at Thompson High School in Alabaster and previously taught at Mountain Brook and Spain Park High School. Charles is also the Founder and Director of the Iron City Singers, a community choir based in Birmingham. In May of 2021, Charles earned the Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Georgia where he studied with Dr. Daniel Bara and Dr. JD Burnett.

Announcements

Stewardship Update As of November 17, 2021: Number of Pledges – 366; 2022 Pledges received - \$2,732,038; we have reached 73% of our 2022 Goal of \$3,745,000.

Unwrapped gifts for The Samaritan Place Christmas Village are due before November 28. For more information about how to participate in this outreach opportunity, visit the Updates page of our website. Thank you for helping us serve these families and children during the Christmas season!

Saint Luke's Kitchen is on Thanksgiving Break! We will return with a Wednesday night curb-side meal on Wednesday, December 1. This will be our only meal during the month of December.

Do not miss our Christmas Floral Workshop on Friday, December 3 for the ECW monthly meeting! We are excited to welcome Melisa Tyson, who will teach us how to arrange a floral centerpiece or mailbox flowers. Be on the lookout for more information, and in the meantime, please mark your calendars!

Beginning now, and through February, we are collecting coats and jackets for the families who use the Grace/Woodlawn food pantry. Please bring any used (clean and in good condition) coats and jackets to the closet in Graham Hall. As you enter Graham Hall from the Commons, the closet is located on the left side of the entrance. Please place coats in the designated boxes. All sizes of coats will be appreciated, both children's and adults. Thank you!

Mark your calendars for Parents Night Out on Friday, December 3 from 6 to 9 pm. Children 6 months through 6th grade are welcome to attend. All proceeds benefit Saint Luke's Youth. Sign up on the website: saint-lukes.com/parents-night-out/.

The 15th annual God and Jazz concert series is Wednesday, December 8 from 6:30 to 8 pm. The concert will cover a wide repertoire, spanning traditional jazz, contemporary, and holiday favorites. Tickets are available for purchase on Eventbrite. Students and children under 12 receive free admission. More information on the website at saint-lukes.com/god-jazz-2021/.

Saint Luke's Claypool Scholarship Board and Selection committee is requesting applications for the 2022- 2023 school year. Visit our website for more information- saint-lukes.com/claypool-scholarship-board-now-accepting-applications/.

The Children's pageant is around the corner and we would love for your child to participate! On Sunday, December 19 at 10am in the Nave, 'A Saint Luke's Christmas' will embody the true meaning of Christmas through scripture readings, Christmas singing, and of course, our recreating of the manger scene. For more information, contact Betsy Owenby, bowenby@saint-lukes.com.

Our next Newcomer's Lunch is Sunday, December 12 at Noon. Join us, hear from clergy and staff, learn more about what we believe makes Saint Luke's special! Please rsvp to Kate Clinton, kclinton@saint-lukes.com. Lunch provided.

Beautiful cards and stamps supporting Founders Place respite ministry are available for purchase during November. You can find them at the display table in Claypool Commons (by the front desk) or by contacting Rebecca Eubanks (rebeccaeubanks@yahoo.com). Suggested donation is \$10 per Holiday Card and \$5 per blank notecard. Alzheimer's forever stamps (supporting research for prevention, cure, and care) are available: \$15 for 20. Thank you for your support!

Christmas Eve Services:

2 p.m. Family Eucharist*

4:30 p.m. Prelude // 5:00 p.m. Family Eucharist with contemporary music*

7:00 p.m. Prelude // 7:30 p.m. Festival Eucharist, Rite II with brass and Saint Luke's Parish Choir*

9:00 p.m. Prelude // 9:30 p.m. Festival Eucharist, Rite II with brass and Saint Luke's Parish Choir

*Childcare available for 3k and under

No service on Christmas Day. We will worship with one service on Sunday, December 26 at 11 am.