



SAINT LUKE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 28, 2022

11:00 am ✠ Rite II

Please enter quietly as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Welcome! Our service begins in the BCP on page 355. The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and The Hymnal 1982 are found in the pew racks. The congregation's responses are in bold. Children of every age are welcome in all services. A nursery is available for children ages 4K years and younger. Hearing aids are available. See an usher for assistance.

THE GREAT PROCESSION

PRELUDE

Andantino

Denis Bedard

INTROIT

Incantations From a Celtic Mass

Michael McGlynn

(sung in Irish with English translation provided)

'S Tusa an dámh, 's Tusa an éan, 's Tusa an t-iasc, aililú.

You are the stag, You are the bird, You are the fish, alleluia

'S Tusa an ghaoth, 's Tusa an fuacht, 's Tusa an mhuir, aililú.

You are the wind, You are the cold, You are the sea, alleluia

'S Tusa an ghrian, 's Tusa an réalt, 's Tusa an spéir, aililú.

You are the sun, You are the star, You are the sky, alleluia

'S Tusa an féar, 'S Tusa an bláth, 'S Tusa na craimn, aililú.

You are the grass, You are the flower, You are the tree, alleluia

Aililú mo Íosa, aililú mo chroí, aililú mo Thiarna, aililú mo Chríost.

Alleluia my Jesus, alleluia my heart, alleluia my Lord, alleluia my Christ.

HYMN *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* Hymnal 376

BCP 355

Celebrant: 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.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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.

Children 4K–3rd Grade are invited to follow the Crucifer to Sunday School.

THE FIRST LESSON

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

The Rune of Hospitality Alf Houkom *Guitarist: Alan Goldspiel*

I saw a stranger yestreen (yesterday):

I put food in the eating place,

Drink in the drinking place,

Music in the listening place:

And in the sacred name of the Triune [God]

He blessed myself and my house,

My cattle and my dear ones.

SERMON NOTES

And the lark said in her song
Often, often, often
Goes the Christ in the stranger's guise,
Often, often, often
Goes the Christ in the stranger's guise.

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

ANTHEM

Soon Ah Will Be Done arr. William Dawson

*Soon ah will be don' with the troubles of the world,
Goin' home to live with God.*

*I want to meet my mother . . .
No more weepin' and a wailin' . . .
I want to meet my Jesus . . .*

I'm goin' to live with God.

THE SERMON

The Reverend William R. Boyles

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.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

BCP 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For Joseph our President, Kay our Governor, 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 Glenda and Brian, our Bishops; the clergy of our parish, Jane our seminarian, and all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially Marshall Foster, Betty Jordan, Sheila Shugerman, Tommy Tyson, and Betty Wagstaff.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

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

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.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our 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.

THE ABSOLUTION

All stand. The Celebrant says:

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

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the consecrated bread and wine of the Eucharist. The bread is received in the open palm. The wine may be taken from the common cup by drinking (placing your hand gently on the base of the cup to guide it), or by dipping the wafer of bread. If you are not receiving the wine, you may fold your hands across your chest. For those choosing to receive neither the bread nor 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.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

O Lord, How Can We Know Thee? Ron Nelson
O Lord, how can we know Thee?
Where can we find Thee?
Thou art as close to us as breathing
And yet art farther than the farthest star.
Thou art as mysterious as the vast solitudes of the night
And yet art as familiar to us as the light of the sun.
When justice burns like a flaming fire,
When love evokes willing sacrifice, do we not bow down to Thee?
Thou livest within our hearts as Thou dost pervade the world,
And we through Thy presence behold.

PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION All stand to sing

Musical notation for the Presentation Acclamation with lyrics: 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 Hurd S124

Musical notation for the Absolution with lyrics: Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The Celebrant continues

Therefore according to his command, O Father,

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 Merbecke S157

Musical notation for the Fraction Anthem with lyrics: O Lamb of God that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

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

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence arr. Gustav Holst

Let all mortal flesh keep silence and with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our Lord to earth descendeth our full homage to demand.

King of Kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of Lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood He will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads his vanguard on the way, As the light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, That the pow'rs of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six wing'd seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye
Veil their faces to the presence as with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, Lord most high. Amen.

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 *Tell Out My Soul* Hymnal 437

THE DISMISSAL BCP 366

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

POSTLUDE *Paeon* Peter Hurford

If you have a prayer request, you may contact clergy at clergy@saint-lukes.com or Sandy Porter 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: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda Curry, *Bishop of Alabama*; The Rt. Rev. Brian N. Prior, *Assisting Bishop*; The Rev. Richmond R. Webster, *Rector*; The Rev. William R. Boyles, *Associate 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

Rector- The Rev. Richmond R. Webster

Class of 2022

Reed Avant - Children & Family Ministry
Ann Johnson - Outreach, MACE, & Founders Place
Bill Pitts - Jr. Warden, Finance
Krislin Smith - Pastoral Care & Communication
Wayne Trucks - Sr. Warden, Worship & Facility Management

Class of 2023

David Kimberlin - COVID-19
Allyson Mouron - Jr. Warden, Worship & Events
Susan Silverstein - New Members & Adult Education
Beth Wilder - Outreach & Communication
Turner Williams - Finance & SOAR

Class of 2024

Kevin Collins- SLDS and Founders Place
Sara Ford- Finance
Gerald Gillespy-Worship and Facility Management
Anna Manasco- Youth
George Wilbanks- Finance

Appointed Members

Derick Belden - Clerk
William Nicosi - Treasurer

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar
are given to the glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the baptism of
Mary Malcolm Bartlett

Announcements

Today the Samford A Cappella choir joins the St. Luke's Parish choir to provide music for our traditional worship service at 11am. One of the anthems features guitarist Alan Goldspiel, faculty member and chair of the Department of Music at the University of Montevallo. This anthem, "The Rune of Hospitality" builds on one of the scripture readings designated for that Sunday: "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:2)"

We are pleased to announce the Nominating Committee for the upcoming Vestry elections. The members of the committee are the 5 outgoing Vestry members plus 5 non-Vestry members in Good Standing.

Outgoing Vestry Members:	Members in Good Standing:
Wayne Trucks (Co-Chair)	Jim Hughey
Bill Pitts (Co-Chair)	Thomas Logan
Reed Avant	Carey Hinds
Ann Johnson	Diana Plosser
Krislin Smith	Sunner Rives

We are now accepting nominations for the upcoming Vestry class of 2023, and we are asking for your prayerful ideas of who might enjoy this important ministry. Vestry members serve three year terms, and provide oversight and support to all the various programs and ministries of Saint Luke's. Vestry members must be active adult members, and we welcome all interests and skill sets! Nominations can be sent via e mail to seniorwarden@saint-lukes.com, and nomination forms will be available at the church. We will close nominations on September 23, and we look forward to hearing from you!

Saint Luke's Youth is hosting our annual Junior High Lock-in from Friday, September 16th at 7pm to Saturday, September 17th at 7am. We will go to Urban Air Adventure Park for our late night activity! This event is for 7th through 9th graders. Friends are always welcome!

Mid-Week Bible Club Begins Wednesday, September 7 in the Saint Luke's pavilion 3:00 - 4:30 pm. Open to all Third through Sixth Grades. Email children@saint-lukes.com to RSVP.

Saint Luke's is seeking a Family & Children's Minister in a part time role. Please help us spread the word! To apply, email resume and cover letter to Saint Luke's Administration at HR@saint-lukes.com

Searchers Lunch & Learn is a monthly gathering with food, fellowship, learning and entertainment. Searchers is a program of SOAR ministry for mature adults and ALL invited and all are welcome! The next Searchers meeting is Monday, September 12 (11:00-1:00). Please come for lunch and conversation with our clergy, The Revs Rich Webster, David Hall, Corey Jones and William Boyles. Lunch is \$10, but always "on us" for newcomers! CLICK HERE to reserve your spot by Sept 7 or contact Rhett Thagard 205.902.5700 or twjtjr@belsouth.net. To learn more about Searchers, please contact Searchers President: Dawn DeGweck 205.215.6222 of dldegweck@gmail.com

Drive through the Youth Car Wash Fundraiser on Sunday, September 11 from 5 to 7 p.m. A portion of the parking lot will be designated for the washing of cars! Cost is \$20 and all proceeds will go towards the Youth Mission Fund. This fundraiser benefits everything from summer mission trips to Sawyerville dinner meals to the GraceWorks summer program. All donations are helpful for our mission areas! See you at the car wash!