



SAINT LUKE'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FEAST DAY OF SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST

October 16, 2022

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

PRELUDE

Elegy

Douglas Wagner

The people are seated.

WELCOME

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

THE FIRST LESSON

Sirach 38:1-4, 6-10, 12-14

OPENING HYMN

Lift Up Your Heads

Hymnal 436

Honor physicians for their services, for the Lord created them; for their gift of healing comes from the Most High, and they are rewarded by the king. The skill of physicians makes them distinguished, and in the presence of the great they are admired. The Lord created medicines out of the earth, and the sensible will not despise them. And he gave skill to human beings that he might be glorified in his marvelous works. By them the physician heals and takes away pain; the pharmacist makes a mixture from them. God's works will never be finished; and from him health spreads over all the earth. My child, when you are ill, do not delay, but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you. Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly, and cleanse your heart from all sin. Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him; do not let him leave you, for you need him. There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians, for they too pray to the Lord that he grant them success in diagnosis and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

THE INVITATORY *and* PSALTER

BCP 80

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

VENITE

BCP 82

In Unison

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep
of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

ANTHEM

Lord, Here Am I

John Ness Beck

*Master, Thou callest, I gladly obey;
only direct me, and I'll find Thy way.
Teach me the mission appointed for me,
what is my labor, and where it shall be.*

*Master, Thou callest, and this I reply,
"Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."*

*Willing, my Savior, to take up the cross;
willing to suffer reproaches and loss.
Willing to follow, if Thou wilt but lead;
only support me with grace in my need.*

SERMON NOTES

*Living, or dying, I still would be Thine;
yet I am mortal while Thou art divine.
Pardon, whenever I turn from the right;
pity, and bring me again to the light.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 4:14-21

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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

ANTHEM

I to the Hills Lift Up Mine Eyes Jean Berger

*I to the hills lift up mine eyes, from where shall come mine aid.
Mine help doth from Jehovah come, which heav'n and earth hath made.
He will not let thy foot be mov'd, nor slumber that thee keeps.
Lo, he that keepeth Israel, he slumb'reth not, nor sleeps.
The Lord thy keeper is, the Lord on thy right hand the shade.
The sun by day nor moon by night, shall thee by stroke invade.
The Lord shall keep thee from all ill thy soul he keeps away,
Thy going out, and thy income, the Lord keeps now and aye. Amen.*

THE SERMON The Reverend David Hall

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

He Watching Over Israel Felix Mendelssohn
*He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.
Shouldst thou, walking in grief, languish,
He will quicken thee.*

THE APOSTLES' CREED BCP 96

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

CONFESSION of SIN BCP 79

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.
Officiant and People together

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 ABSOLUTION

THE PRAYERS BCP 97

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Officiant Let us pray.

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.

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. *And grant us your salvation.*
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. *Let your people sing with joy.*
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. *Your saving health among all nations.*
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

MORNING COLLECTS BCP 98

We pray this day for all those in any need of you, for any who are alone or sick or sad. We pray for those living in fear, or frustration. We pray for healing and peace. We pray for those on our published prayer list, especially Charles Anderson, Vickie Barnes, Jack Blackwell, Tina Darnall, Hosey Hutson, Alonso Maddox, Sheila Shugerman, Betsy Smith, and Tommy Tyson. We also pray for those who have died.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in theses holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365
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 *Jesus Shall Reign* Hymnal 544

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 102

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

POSTLUDE

Christ Has Made the Sure Foundation *Vaughan Williams*

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.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the marriage of *Camille Elizabeth Jernigan and Gordon Sandys Stimpson, III* and in loving memory of *Ms. Shirley Davis Hartley, Mr. Thomas Edgar Jernigan Sr. Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Mason Ross, and Mr. Gordon Sandys Stimpson, Sr.*

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 Nicrosi - Treasurer
John Rutherford- Jr. Vestryperson



PLEDGE ONLINE

Stewardship Update as of October 12, 2022:
Number of Pledges – 167;
2023 Pledges received - \$1,634,970
We are at 43% of our 2023 Goal of \$3.8 million.

Announcements

Your annual pledge allows us to properly plan for the upcoming year, making it one of the most important things you can do for our church. Pledge online at any time. Our finance office is always available and willing to answer any questions or provide help in making your pledge online or in person.

We begin our 4-part discovery classes on Sunday, October 16. This series is a preparation for Confirmation on December 11, however confirmation is not an end requirement of the class. This 4-week course will meet at 3:00 p.m. at Saint Luke's on 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, and 11/6. Led by the Rev. Richmond R. Webster, you will find out more about who we are at Saint Luke's, our mission, our beliefs and practices of the Episcopal Church, and how you can become more involved. We will also discuss the membership and confirmation process. Whether you are a brand new visitor, or a regular attendee we invite you to participate! Please let us know you are coming, email jwright@saint-lukes.com

Monday, Oct 17 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join us for a delicious lunch, fellowship, and songs and stories by "The Ukuleladies" of Saint Martin's in the Pines. Bring a friend!

Lunch is always "on us" for newcomers! Cost of lunch is \$10. Send an email to [Rhett Thagard twtjr@bellsouth.net](mailto:Rhett.Thagard@bellsouth.net) or call 205.902.5700.

Christmas pageant is Sunday, December 18. Children K - 6th grade may participate. More information to come in early November. Mark your calendars!

Saint Luke's is seeking a Family & Children's Ministry Director. The Children's Ministry Director will faithfully shepherd the spiritual growth of our children at Saint Luke's and in the community. The individual must have a heart for children and for Jesus. Please help us spread the word! To apply or for more information, email hr@saint-lukes.com.

Our first Confirmation meeting is Sunday, October 23rd in Graham Hall from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. This meeting is for parents and Confirmands. This meeting is designed to introduce the Confirmation experience, explain the attendance policy, and answer any questions you might have. Our Confirmation Retreat is November 18th-20th at Camp McDowell and is considered as two confirmation classes. We highly recommend attendance!

Volunteers are needed in Children's Ministry! If you are interested in teaching Sunday school during the 9 a.m. or 11 a.m. services or serving the Children's Ministry in any capacity please email info@saint-lukes.com. Volunteering does not commit you for long periods of time, only once every few weeks or months! Thank you for serving the Children's Ministry in this critical way.

Interested in joining the 5 o'clock usher team? This team is terrific and laid back, and the job is easy to learn. This is a wonderful way to serve. Contact Natalie Sansom, nataliesansom@gmail.com, for more information.

The Commission on Spirituality presents a reflection day for Advent on Saturday, November 12, mindfulness practices for peace and presence amid a stressful world. Beth Cook, LPC, co-founder Alabama Institute for Mindfulness, will lead the retreat. To register, visit dioala.org.