



SAINT LUKE'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 20, 2022

11:00 am ✠ Rite II

Enter quietly in prayer 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

Now Thank We All Our God Johann Walther

INTROIT

Ride On, King Jesus arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw
Ride on, King Jesus, no man can hinder me.

HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign Hymnal 544
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.

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.

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

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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 HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

ANTHEM

Write Your Blessed Name

K. Lee Scott

*Write your blessed name, O Lord, upon my heart,
there to remain so indelibly engraved,
that no prosperity, no adversity shall ever move me from your love.
Be to me a strong tower of defense, a comforter in tribulation,
a deliverer in distress, a very present help in trouble
and a guide to heaven through the many temptations
and dangers of this life. Amen.*

-Thomas a Kempis

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.

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 Tina Darnall, Betsy Pringle, Sheila Shugerman, and Tommy Tyson.

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, especially John Constantine Cocoris, Larry E. Key, and Ann McMahan Summersell, 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.

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.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

King of Glory, King of Peace

Music: Eric Thiman Words: George Hebert

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee;
and that love may never cease, I will move Thee.
Thou hast granted my request, Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee,
and the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee.
Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me.

Sev'n whole days, not one in sev'n, I will praise Thee;
in my heart, though not in heav'n, I can raise Thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort to enroll Thee:
e'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION All stand to sing

FRACTION ANTHEM

Martens

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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.

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.**

COMMUNION MUSIC

O Taste and See

Ralph Vaughn Williams

SANCTUS et BENEDICTUS

Powell

S129

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

Rejoice, the Lord is King Charles Callahan

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.

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar and baptismal font
are given to the glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the baptism of
Olivia Marie Boyles

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*; Dr. Jordan Rippey, *Associate Pastor*; 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, MACÉ, & 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 November 15, 2022:
Number of Pledges – 370;
2023 Pledges received - \$2,843,980;
We are at 74% of our 2023 Goal of \$3.8 million.

Give via Text: Please text the amount you would like to give to 205-576-4100.

Announcements

The clergy and staff of Saint Luke's invite the senior adult men of Saint Luke's to lunch on November 28 at 11 a.m. in Graham Hall. We will dine on fish and more from Chef Jimmy! To rsvp, call Stephanie Sierke at 205.871.3583.

Calling all Parents of infants through 6th grade! Sign up for Parents Night Out on Friday, December 2nd from 6:00pm - 9:00pm in Graham Hall. Nursery is available! We will provide Pizza for dinner, Christmas cookie decorating, and a movie! Come in your PJs! Nursery will be provided for infants - 3K. Register at www.saint-lukes.com/parents-night-out.

On Friday, December 2 at 11:30 am, Saint Luke's Episcopal Church Women (ECW) invite you to a fellowship event that is sure to put you in the Christmas spirit! We are excited to welcome Melisa Tyson, of Blossoms 205, who will teach us to make a beautiful fluffed wreath for your front door. The church will provide wreaths, we ask that you bring cuttings from your front yard, ribbon, and floral shears or scissors. This event takes place in Graham Hall. Lunch is provided. The more the merrier, bring a friend! To register, visit our website under updates.

With the Christmas season quickly approaching, there are many opportunities for parishioners of all ages to come together in service for our community and beyond.

1. Samaritan Place Market: A Christmas Village is collecting toys for invited guests to shop at greatly reduced prices. Toy donations are due to Canterbury United Methodist Church by December 4. More information is available on our website under updates.

2. On Sunday, December 11 at Saint Luke's during the 10 o'clock hour, we will pack Bags of Kindness for Norwood Elementary. All ages are invited to participate! This will take place in Graham Hall. No registration required.

3. Sawyerville Christmas Project provides gifts of food, clothes and household items to economically disadvantaged adults in Hale County, Alabama, an area of our diocese that is consistently rated one of the poorest in the nation. Adopt a star from the Sawyerville tree in Claypool Commons.

4. Community Furniture Bank is collecting towels during the month of November. Please deliver to Community Furniture Bank, 219 Distribution Drive Birmingham, AL 35209.

5. American Red Cross Blood Drive on Sunday, December 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Saint Luke's Christmas Pageant is Sunday, December 18 at 10 a.m. in the Nave for children ages 4k - 6th grade! Register your child at www.saint-lukes.com/childrens-christmas-pageant. A mandatory dress rehearsal will take place Sunday, December 11 at 10 a.m.