



SAINT LUKE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Birmingham, Alabama

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27, 2022 ✠ 5:00 PM

PRELUDE

All Sing

Change My Heart, O God A-23

GATHERING SONG

All Stand and Sing

Amazing Grace A-11



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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

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.**

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

All Sing

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to you, O Israel!

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to

judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

Into My Heart

A-37

THE GOSPEL
Please Stand

Matthew 24:36-44

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

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

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. David Hall

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form IV

BCP 392

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE SONG OF PEACE

Dona Nobis Pacem

A-32

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEXT TO GIVE (205) 576-4100



OFFERTORY MUSIC

Choir

Wait For The Lord

DOXOLOGY

A-221

All stand and sing:

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

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, according to his command, O Father,
Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

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

All Sing

This is the body of Christ, broken that we may be whole; this cue, as promised by God, true to his word, cradles our Lord: food for the good of the soul.

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

Give Thanks

A-44

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

Kyrie Eleison

A-106

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

People **Thanks be to God!**



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.

Stewardship Update as of November 15, 2022

Number of Pledges - 388;
2023 Pledges received - \$2,958,488;
We have reached 77% of our
2023 Goal of \$3.8 million.



PLEDGE ONLINE

CHOIR & MUSICIANS

Livy Abele, *Alto*; Pam Cezayirli, *Soprano*; Adele Colvin, *Soprano*; Kenny Gannon, *Tenor*; Jeff Hansen, *Tenor*; Toni Leo, *Soprano*; Judy Pezant, *Alto*; Shaun Pezant, *Music Director & Piano*; David Roby, *Tenor, Music Librarian & Piano*; Heather Thaxton, *Soprano*; Michael Thaxton, *Bass*; Dwight Williams, *Tenor and Bass Guitar*; Debra Windham, *Alto*.

You're Invited!
**GOD
AND
JAZZ**
December 7, 2022
6:30 - 8:00
Join us for this uplifting
seasonal event featuring
some of your favorite
jazz and holiday music!
Tickets @ Eventbrite

CLERGY & STAFF

Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda Curry, *Bishop of Alabama*;
Rt. Rev. Brian Prior, *Assisting Bishop*;
The Rev. Richmond R. Webster, *Rector*;
The Rev. William Boyles, *Associate Rector*;
The Rev. David Hall, *Associate Rector*;
The Rev. Corey Jones, *Associate Rector*;
The Rev. Rebecca S. 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 Rippy, *Associate Minister*;
Mr. Shaun Pezant, *Artist in Residence*;
Dr. Philip Copeland, *Choral Director*;
Mr. Jamie McLemore, *Organist*

VESTRY

The Rev. Richmond R. Webster, *Rector*

Class of 2022

Reed Avant, *Children & Family Ministry*;
Ann Johnson, *Outreach, MACE, & Founders Place*;
Bill Pitts, Jr. *Warden & Finance*;
Krislin Smith, *Pastoral Care & Communications*;
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 & Founders Place*;
Sara Ford, *Finance*;
Gerald Gillespy, *Worship & Facility Management*;
Anna Manasco, *Youth*;
George Wilbanks, *Finance*

Appointed Members

Derick Belden, *Clerk*;
William Nicrosi, *Treasurer*



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