

SAINT LUKE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

3736 Montrose Road Birmingham, Alabama 35213

TRINITY SUNDAY

June 4, 2023 № 8:00 AM Rite I

Welcome! Our service begins in the BCP on page 323. 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.

HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Hymnal 362

BCP 323

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, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Celebrant then says

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Christ, have mercy upon us. Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

A lmighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see thee in thy one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw

that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be truitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air,

and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

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

The people stand for the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew *People Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Gospel of the Lord. *People Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

THE SERMON
The Reverend Richmond R. Webster

THE NICENE CREED BCP 326

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.

THE PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

BCP 328

THE CONFESSION

BCP 331

All stand. The Celebrant says:

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

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

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 at the altar rail.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING BCP 340

People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord. Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord

our God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues ... evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

...And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Soloist: * Tabitha Van Meter

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these Holy Mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise Hymnal 423

THE DISMISSAL

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Hewlett Chervis Isom Jr.

Soloist: Tabitha Van Meter

Tabitha Van Meter is a mezzo-soprano from Birmingham, AL. She studied music education at Birmingham-Southern College, where she graduated in 2012. She currently teaches elementary music and is actively involved in state music education organizations. Tabitha has been a member of the Saint Luke's choir for 12 years.



CLERGY & STAFF

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda Curry, Bishop of Alabama The Rt. Rev. Brian Prior, Assisting Bishop The Rev. Richmond R. Webster, Rector The Rev. David A. Hall, Senior Associate Rector The Rev. Corey M. Jones, Associate Rector Dr. Jordan Řippy, Associate Minister Ms. Julia Sanford, Associate Minister 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 Affiliate The Rev. Katy Smith, Ďeacon Affiliate Mr. Shaun Pezant, Artist in Residence Dr. Philip Copeland, Choral Director Mr. Jamie McLemore, Organist

THE VESTRY

Rector - The Rev. Richmond R. Webster Senior Warden – Allyson Mouron '23 Junior Warden of the Sr Class – Susan Silverstein '23 Junior Warden of the Jr Class, & rising Sr Warden – Gerald Gillespy '24

Class of 2023

David Kimberlin, Health and Wellness Allyson Mouron, Worship and Events, Senior Warden Susan Silverstein, New Members and Adult Education, Jr Warden Beth Wilder, Outreach & Communication Chair Turner Williams, Finance

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Class of 2025

Susan Alison – Pastoral Care/Founders Place/Senior Adults Derick Belden – Finance and Communication Morgan Cook - Children and Family Ministry/ Outreach Tom Garrett - Long Range Planning Bob Methvin - Worship and Facility

Appointed Members

Junior Vestryperson: John Rutherford – Young Adult Ministries Clerk – Jeff Hansen Treasurer - William Nicrosi



Stewardship Update As of May 30, 2023 Number of Pledges – 521; 2023 Pledges received - \$3,693,693; We have reached 96% of our 2023 Goal of \$3.8 million.

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We are so glad you worshipped with us today. If you're new to Saint Luke's or ready to learn more about membership, we encourage you to visit the QR code below and complete the form so we can better communicate with you.



We would love to hear from you. Email us at info@saint-lukes.com.