



# ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL **CHURCH**

## The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 19

September 12 & 13, 2020



*Stained glass window in the Sacristy at St. Luke's.*

*Our Mission: **To know Christ and to make Christ known.***

*Our Vision: **To follow Christ's teaching in an atmosphere of love, joy, and healing.***

**Welcome Back to St. Luke's**  
**We have missed all of YOU!**

## Be still and know that I am God! Psalm 46:10

Please, as you enter the Church, **observe a sacred silence** to prepare yourself to the encounter with the Lord, and to allow others to do the same. You may want to use the following prayer...

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Prayer No. 64, Before Worship; BCP, p. 833)

Prelude

Savior, Thy Dying Love

Lani Smith

## The Word of God

(8 am & 10 am) Opening Hymn 494 vs. 1 Crown him with many crowns

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!  
1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -  
1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and  
1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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### Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *And blessed be God's kingdom now and for ever. Amen.*

### Collect for Purity

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.*

### Glory to God

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

### The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### The First Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

<sup>15</sup>Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" <sup>16</sup>So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, <sup>17</sup>'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. <sup>21</sup>So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

### Psalm 103:1-13

*Benedic, anima mea*

<sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

<sup>2</sup> *Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.*

<sup>3</sup> He forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities;

<sup>4</sup> *He redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;*

<sup>5</sup> He satisfies you with good things, and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

<sup>6</sup> *The LORD executes righteousness and judgment for all who are oppressed.*

<sup>7</sup> He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel.

<sup>8</sup> *The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great kindness.*

<sup>9</sup> He will not always accuse us, nor will he keep his anger for ever.

<sup>10</sup> *He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.*

<sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high above the earth, so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

<sup>12</sup> *As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us.*

<sup>13</sup> As a father cares for his children, so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

*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.*

## The Second Reading

Romans 14:1-12

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

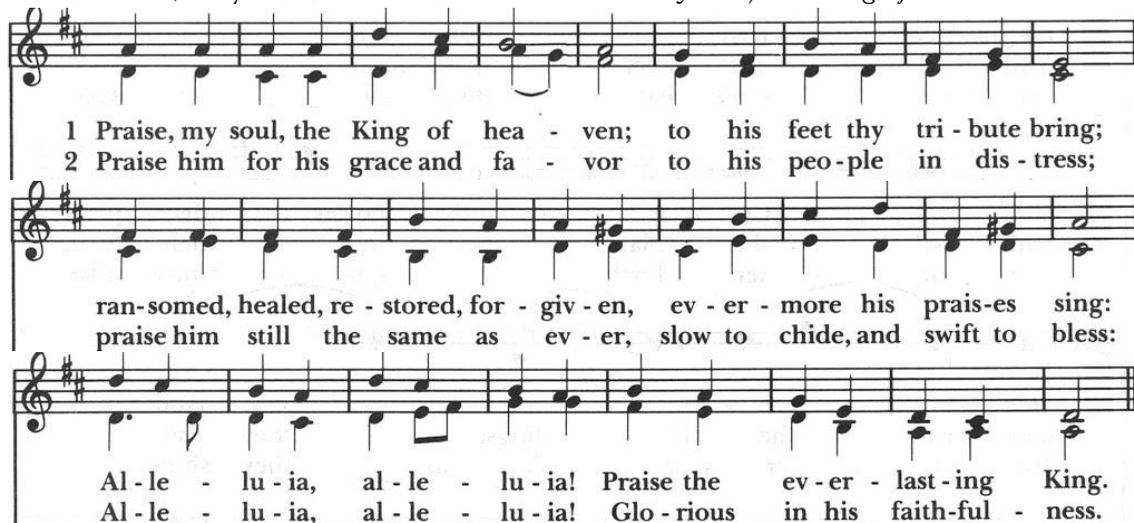
<sup>1</sup>Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. <sup>2</sup>Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. <sup>3</sup>Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. <sup>4</sup>Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. <sup>5</sup>Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. <sup>6</sup>Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. <sup>7</sup>We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. <sup>8</sup>If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup>For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. <sup>10</sup>Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? <sup>11</sup>For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow

to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." <sup>12</sup>So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

(8 am & 10 am) **Hymn 410 vs. 1**

*Praise my soul, the King of heaven*



1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;  
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;  
ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:  
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847), alt.

Music: *Lauda anima*, John Goss (1800-1880)

87. 87. 87

## The Gospel

*Matthew 18:21-35*

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew. ✠ *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

<sup>21</sup>Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. <sup>23</sup>"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup>When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup>and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' <sup>29</sup>Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' <sup>30</sup>But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison

until he would pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup>Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup>Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ <sup>34</sup>And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup>So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

(8 & 10 am) Hymn 410 vs. 2 Praise my soul, the King of heaven (see page 4)

Sermon

The Rev. Pierre-Henry Buisson

The Nicene Creed

*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 Form II

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The Deacon: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Jennifer our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church. Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for those in our prayer list, and those we name now silently or aloud, ... *(keep a time of silence)* Pray for them. *Silence*

I ask your thanksgiving for the birthdays of Susan, Carol, Larry, Churck, Nancy, Barry, Arthur, Giorgio, Boo, Fr. Jack, Becky, Mary Lou, David, Spence, Gwyneth, Ruth, Brenda, JoAnn and for the anniversaries of Wayne & Madelon, Art & Barb, Arthur & Laura, and Jack & Jean. Pray for them. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for all those who have died. *Silence*

*The Celebrant:* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### **The Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***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.***

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

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

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer (*Birthdays...Please stand where you are*)

*O God, our times are in your hands: look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace. Send your blessings upon them, that their homes may be a haven of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Announcements

### The Holy Communion

**Offertory Sentence** Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

(5:30 pm & 12 n) All things come from you, O Lord, *and of your own we have given you.* *1 Chronicles 29:14b NKJV*

(8 am & 10 am) **The Presentation Hymn 380, vs. 3**

3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise  
him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

## The Great Thanksgiving

## Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all

the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus**

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in

the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### The Lord's Prayer

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

### The Communion

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.

*All who are baptized are invited to share in the banquet of the Lord's Supper. The Communion will be brought to you at your seat. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.*

(10 am) *A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

The presider invites the following prayer to be said by all:

*My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.* (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

### Communion Anthem

Laudate Dominum

Mozart

Pauline Buisson, *Soloist*; Kari Roller, Kay Houser, Jacob Gilbert, Dennis Houser, *Quartet*

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.*

**Blessing:** The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

**Dismissal:** Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

*Festival Toccata*

Percy E. Fletcher

### *Special Dates this Week*

#### Birthdays:

September 6: Rev. Susan Armer, Carol Covert

September 7: Larry Neece

September 8: Chuck Eaton

September 9: Nancy Davidson, Barry Walter, Arthur Reilly

September 10: Giorgio Rey

September 11: Boo Nicholson

September 12: The Rev. Jack Wolter

September 13: Becky Dill, Mary Lou Worley

September 14: David Lessard

September 16: Spence Klein, Gwyneth Mies, Ruth Baker

September 18: Brenda Holden

September 19: JoAnn Salem

#### Anniversaries

September 7: Wayne & Madelon Rolland

September 11: Art & Barb Schow, Arthur & Laura Reilly

September 12 Jack & Jean Ehlers

**For Those In Need We Pray:**

**September Healing Prayers**

To all members, family, friends of St. Luke's during this pandemic  
Brandon Reynolds.; Alicia; Alex; Sharon, Dave & Nancy C.; Larie & Wife; Carol; Darrell C.;  
Dominica Coppola& Marty Dane; Max J.; Carol Glover; Gil & Cheri Lattimer's mother &  
Good Samaritan Staff; Cathy Hoaglund; Gary & Kathy MacCauley; Robert McCaulley; Jean  
Messick; Etta Parson; Linda Schwab; Sue; Ileen Szelka; Mark Tuttle; Patty; Ron Miller; Beth  
Wingate; Kate Carroll; Carl Dekemper; Sara Wiliman; Barbara Harber; Vera Mulnix

**For those in our Armed Forces:** Echo, Brian, Lopez, Dante', Florian

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** the Anglican Church of South America

**In Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Francis-in-the-Valley, Green Valley

**In the St. Luke's Outreach Cycle of Prayer:** Us Vets/Troop Support, Boy Scouts Troop #10,  
Warm for Winter collection, Prison Awareness/Camp Genesis

For the Yavapai-Apache Nation

For Bishop Zak and Amagoro Junior Academy

For our companion Diocese in Navajoland

**Vestry:** George Chesney, Sr. Warden; Donald McKellar, Jr. Warden; Joy Ramsey-Smith, *Treasurer*;  
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Music/10am Cantor*; Kay Houser, *10am Organist*; John Euson, *8 am Organist*

**Clergy:** Pierre-Henry Buisson, *Rector*; Jim Schubert, Susan Schubert, Susan Armer, Richard Lassiter, Jack  
Wolter, *Assisting priests*; Kimball Arnold, Chris Christy, Keehna Sture, *Deacons*.

*We acknowledge the living culture of the Yavapai-Apache nation, the traditional custodians of the land we  
stand on, and pay tribute to the role they play in the life of this region.* Resolution #2016-3, of the 56<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention