



He is Risen

Welcome to St. Luke's Church

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Easter

Our Mission:

"To Know God and To Make Him Known"

*Visitors are not expected to participate in the offering.
We hope you enjoy visiting with us today. Please come again soon.*

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Processional Hymn

“All Hail King Jesus”

There was a moment when the lights went out
When death had claimed its victory
The King of Love had given up His life
The darkest day in history

There on a cross they made for sinners
For every curse His blood atoned
One final breath and it was finished
But not the end we could have known

Pre-Chorus: For the earth began to shake and the veil was torn
What sacrifice was made as the heavens roared

Chorus 1: All hail King Jesus
All hail the Lord of Heaven and earth
All hail King Jesus
All hail the Savior of the world

There was a moment when the sky lit up
A flash of light breaking through
When all was lost He crossed eternity
The King of life was on the move

Pre-Chorus: For in a dark cold tomb where our Lord was laid
One miraculous breath and we're forever changed

Bridge:
Let every knee come bow before the King of Kings
Let every tongue confess that He is Lord
Lift up your shout let us join with all of Heaven
Singing Holy, singing Holy, cry out Holy, singing Holy

Chorus 2: All hail King Jesus, all hail King Jesus
All hail King Jesus, all hail King Jesus

Welcome and Call to Worship

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Collect for Purity

All: 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 Summary of the Law

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment.

And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. (Matthew 22:37-40)

The Kyrie

**Sung: Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy on me
 Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy on me
 Christe eleison, Christ have mercy on me
 Christe eleison, Christ have mercy on me**

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may, by your life-giving Spirit, be delivered from sin and raised from death; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Praise and Worship

“O Taste And See”

O taste and see that the Lord is good
O taste and see that the Lord is good to me
You have turned my mourning into dancing
Put off my rags and clothed me with gladness
And I will arise and I will praise You
I'll sing and not be silent

Chorus: O Lord my God I will give thanks to You forever
O Lord my God I will give thanks to You
We bless You Lord

Bridge: I will live only for You
I will lift these hands up to You
I will dance before You
I will shout it I will shout it to You

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“Your Great Name”

Lost are saved, find their way
At the sound of your great name
All condemned feel no shame
At the sound of your great name

Every fear has no place
At the sound of your great name
The enemy he has to leave
At the sound of your great name

Chorus: Jesus, worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us
The Son of God and man, You are high and lifted up
And all the world will praise Your great Name.

All the weak find their strength
At the sound of your great name
Hungry souls receive grace
At the sound of your great name

The fatherless find their rest
At the sound of your great name
The sick are healed, the dead are raised
At the sound of your great name

Bridge: Redeemer, My Healer, Lord Almighty
My Savior, Defender, You are my King

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“Agnus Dei”

Alleluia, Alleluia for our Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia, Alleluia for our Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia, Holy, Holy, are You Lord God, Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

You are Holy, Holy are You Lord God, Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb
Amen.

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Announcements

The Lessons

At the end of each reading the lector says:

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Exodus 14:10-14, 21-31

Psalm 118:14-17, 22-24

Acts 10:34-43

The Gospel *[All rise]*

**Sung: Alleluia! Alleluia! Opening our hearts to him
Singing Alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus is our King**

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Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 20:1-18

All: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

At the end of the reading:

Deacon: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Message

The Nicene Creed *[All rise]*

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

All: 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

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For Foley Beach, our Archbishop, Mark Engel, our Bishop, Daniel Morgan, our Rector, Andrew Unger, our Associate Rector, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For our nation and for Joe Biden, our President, James Vance and Sherrod Brown, our Senators, for our state and for Mike DeWine, our Governor, and for all those in authority and in public service. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to the Lord.

All: 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Comfortable Words

Celebrant: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1 Timothy 1:15)

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. (1 John 2:1-2)

The Peace

Deacon: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Exchange with one another the Lord's Peace.

The Offertory *[Tithes and offerings are collected at this time]*

Celebrant: Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)

“Revelations 19:1”

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Doxology *[All rise]*

Sung: **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.

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Celebrant: All things come of you O Lord
All: And of Your own have we given You.

The Great Thanksgiving

[We invite all baptized Christians to join us at the Lord's table.]

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

**Sung: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest!**

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The Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved.

By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory; that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Mystery of Faith

Deacon: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord:

All: Face to Face.

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 forever.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray

**All: Our Father Who art in Heaven
Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as 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 the power and the glory
Forever and ever. Amen**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Prayer of Humble Access

All: We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies.

Apart from your grace, we are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei

**Sung: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.**

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Celebrant: 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.

**Celebrant: The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven.
The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation.**

Music During Communion

"All Heaven Declares"

All heaven declares the glory of the risen Lord
Who can compare with the beauty of the Lord?
Forever He will be the Lamb upon the throne
I gladly bow the knee and worship Him alone.

I will proclaim the glory of the risen Lord
Who once was slain to reconcile man to God
Forever You will be the Lamb upon the throne
I gladly bow the knee and worship You alone.

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“Worthy is the Lamb”

Thank You for the cross Lord
Thank You for the price You paid
Bearing all my sin and shame
In love You came and gave amazing grace

Chorus: Worthy is the Lamb
Seated on the throne
Crown You now with many crowns
You reign victorious
High and lifted up
Jesus Son of God
The King of heaven crucified
Worthy is the Lamb
Worthy is the Lamb

Thank You for this love Lord
Thank You for the nail-pierced hands
Washed me in Your cleansing flow
Now all I know Your forgiveness and embrace

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Post Communion Prayer *[All rise]*

All: Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out into the world to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: All our problems

All: We send to the cross of Christ

Celebrant: All our difficulties

All: We send to the cross of Christ

Celebrant: All the devil's works
All: We send to the cross of Christ

Celebrant: And all of hopes
All: We set on the risen Christ

The Blessing

The Recessional

“Revelations 19:1”

Hallelujah salvation and glory
Honor and power to the Lord our God
For the Lord our God is mighty
Yes the Lord our God is omnipotent
The Lord our God He is wonderful

All praises be to the King of Kings
And the Lord our God He is wonderful

Hallelujah salvation and glory
Honor and power He is wonderful

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah
He is wonderful

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The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.
All: Thanks be to God.

This Week at St. Luke's Church, March 27th – April 2nd

Monday

Creative Journaling, 6:00-9:00 PM (Tompkin's Glory Barn)
Boy Scout Troop 411, 7:00-8:30 PM (The Harbor)

Tuesday

Worship With the Word, 6:00-8:00 PM (Sanctuary)
Stage 4 Ministry, 6:30-8:30 PM (Conference Room)
Women's Group, 7:00-8:30 PM (Common Room)

Wednesday

Thursday

Stage 4 Ministry, 9:30 AM-12:30 PM (Conference Room)
Morning Intercession, 9:30-11:30 AM (Sanctuary)

Friday

Saturday

Men's Group, 9:30-11:00 AM (Café)
Homeless Meal Preparation, 4:00-6:30 PM (The Harbor)
Dinner & "The Chosen", 6:00-8:30 PM (Café)

Sunday

Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Homeless Outreach, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM (Peter Maurin Center)
Bethel Akron Worship, 5:00-7:00 PM (Sanctuary & Upper Level)
Youth Group, 6:30-8:30 PM (The Harbor)

**Readings for April 16: Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 111,
1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31**