



LOVE

Mark 12:30-31



GROW

EPHESIANS 4:11-13



SERVE

1 PETER 4:10-11



GO

MATTHEW 28:19-20

# Welcome to St. Luke's Sunday, August 21, 2022

**Our Vision:  
To Know God and To Make Him Known**



## St. Luke's Church

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## Processional Hymn

### “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

A mighty fortress is our God,  
A bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing:  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great and armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,  
Our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right man on our side,  
The man of God’s own choosing;  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;  
Lord Sabaoth His Name, from age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.

And tho’ this world, with devils filled,  
Should threaten to undo us;  
We will not fear, for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us;  
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure for lo! his doom is sure,  
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers  
No thanks to them abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Through Him who with us sideth:  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill, God’s truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever.

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## Welcome and Call to Worship

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

**All: Blessed be His Kingdom now and forever. Amen.**

## **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)

## **Collect of the Day**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## **Praise and Worship**

### **“Yahweh”**

Our God He lives forever, He reigns in power and love  
Let earth bow down before Him for He is exalted

Pre-Chorus: We look to Yahweh, Yahweh  
Forever Yahweh, Yahweh

Our hope is God Almighty, His love is greater than all  
Lift high the God of heaven, give all the honor

Pre-Chorus: We look to Yahweh, Yahweh  
Our hope is Yahweh, Yahweh

Chorus: He shall reign forever, He shall reign forever  
He shall reign forever and ever  
And He shall reign forever  
He shall reign forever, He shall reign forever  
And ever (Our God)

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### **“Bless the Lord”**

Chorus: And I will worship You  
I will bless Your name forever.  
I will worship You  
Bless the Lord, oh my soul, bless the Lord  
Bless the Lord, oh my soul, bless the Lord

For Your beauty, for Your goodness  
And Your wisdom, awesome God  
Praise the Lord, oh my soul, praise the Lord

For Your power, for Your honor  
And Your splendor, mighty God  
Praise the Lord, oh my soul, praise the Lord  
Praise the Lord, oh my soul, praise the Lord (Chorus)

For Your kindness, for Your favor  
For Your mercy, gracious One  
Thank the Lord, oh my soul, thank the Lord

For Your fire, for Your testing, and Your Spirit, Holy One  
Thank the Lord, oh my soul, thank the Lord  
Thank the Lord, oh my soul, thank the Lord (Chorus)

For Your suff'ring, for Your anguish  
And Your sorrow, humble King  
Bless the Lord, oh my soul, bless the Lord  
Bless the Lord, oh my soul, bless the Lord

For Your vict'ry, for Your triumph  
And You'll soon come and reign over us! (Chorus)

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## “Our Great God”

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown.  
Your boundless love unfailing in grace and mercy shown.  
Bright seraphim in endless flight  
Around Your glorious throne.  
They raise their voices day and night  
In praise to You alone.

Chorus: Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!  
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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm.  
Surround us with Your angels, hold us in Your arms.  
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm.  
Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee  
Before our Sovereign God. (Chorus)

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird;  
Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth;  
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe  
Sing praises to the Living God,  
Who rules them by His word. (Chorus)

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### Announcements

### The Lessons

Isaiah 28:14-22

Psalm 46

Hebrews 12:15-29

*At the end of each reading the lector says:*

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### The Gospel

**Sung: Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 13:22-30.

**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**

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

Celebrant: Lord, we pray that you would give us hearts to steward the world we live in. Enable your church to be a catalyst for the kingdom and your people to reflect You in all things.

*(Pray aloud, as led, for the world, the church, and its people.)*

Celebrant: Lord, because it is our church's mission to Love, Grow, Serve, and Go, increase in us the will to love like Jesus, the hunger to grow in wisdom and discernment, the desire to serve without prejudice or pretense, and the initiative to go to others with the hope of the gospel.

*(Pray aloud, as led, for the mission of the church to live the great commandment and fulfil the great commission)*

Celebrant: Lord, pour out your favor and blessing upon our nation. Help us to pray for our state and nation's leaders in this challenging season. Empower us to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with You.

*(Pray aloud, as led, for our nation)*

Celebrant: Lord, open our eyes to see, our ears to hear, and our lives to act on behalf of our neighbors. Give us insight and creativity as we seek to serve their needs, heal their lives, and restore their spirit. Help us to curate the time and effort needed to make impact on our community.

*(Pray aloud, as led, for our neighbors.)*

Celebrant: Lord, we lift to you those who are sick, in need, oppressed, or grieving. Help us to purposely reach out to them in love and give us the discipline to pray for them until they are restored.

*(Pray aloud, as led, for those in need.)*

Celebrant: Lord, help us to honor the dead in Christ. With thanksgiving and remembrance, we bless You for the memory of their lives, the legacy of their faith, and the fulness of their joy in Your presence.

*(Pray aloud the names of those who have died in Christ)*

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: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:6-7)

### **"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"**

Just a closer walk with Thee,  
Grant it Jesus if you please,  
Daily walking close to Thee,  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

I am weak but Thou art strong,  
Jesus keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk, close to Thee.

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### **"He Touched Me"**

Shackled by a heavy burden,  
'Neath a load of guilt and shame;  
Then the hand of Jesus touched me,  
And now I am no longer the same

Chorus: He touched me, O He touched me,  
And O the joy that floods my soul!  
Something happened, and now I know  
He touched me and made me whole.

Since I met this blessed Savior,  
Since He cleansed and made me whole;  
I will never cease to praise Him,  
I'll shout it while eternity rolls.

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### **"There's Something About That Name"**

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,  
There's just something about that Name.  
Master, Savior, Jesus,  
Like the fragrance after the rain.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,  
Let all heaven and earth proclaim  
Kings and kingdoms will all pass away,  
But there's something about that Name.

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### **Doxology**

**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**

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new.

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**

**All: 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!**

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**

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world  
**All: Have mercy on us.**

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**All: Have mercy on us.**

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world  
**All: Grant us your peace.**

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**

#### **“God Is Our Refuge”**

God is our refuge and our strength  
An ever-present help in time of trouble

The seas may rise up, the nations may fall  
But there’s a city, a holy place  
Where the Most High dwells  
There’s a river, a fortress  
Therefore we will not fear

## **“God You’re Beautiful”**

I see Your beauty in this wind  
I see Your beauty in the rain  
I feel Your Spirit move within  
I feel Your passion in the pain

Chorus: God You're beautiful to me  
God You're beautiful to me

I see Your glory in the sun  
I see Your power in the sky  
When I behold all You've done  
How could I ever wonder why

Bridge: You can be my King  
Lover of my soul  
You mean everything to me

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## **“Be Still And Know That I Am God”**

Be still and know that I am God  
Be still and know that I am God  
Be still and know that I am God

I am the Lord that healeth thee  
I am the Lord that healeth thee  
I am the Lord that healeth thee

I am the Lord that strengthens thee  
I am the Lord that strengthens thee  
I am the Lord that strengthens thee

I am the way the truth the life  
I am the way the truth the life  
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## Post Communion Prayer

**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

### "Only You"

You have known my every situation  
And Your goodness sustains me Lord  
I will bow in humble expectation  
Of Your presence in the storm

Yes there will be trial and tribulation  
And You'll grant me breath to persevere  
May my heart beat in pure anticipation  
Of the day You'll dry these tears

Chorus 1: Only You have set the earth on its foundation  
Only You give orders to the dawn  
Only You can know the depths of every ocean  
Only You deserve our song

Lord You are the thunder to my whisper  
Yes Your greatness knows no bounds  
All these things too wonderful to speak of  
Fill my soul with a heavenly sound (Chorus 1)

Chorus 2: Only You have torn the cover off the darkness  
You expose the evils of the night  
Only You reveal Your glory to the humble  
Only You are clothed in light

Here I am in the valley of decision  
I know You hear me when I call  
I repent of my prideful disposition  
Where was I when the stars sang out

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## **The Dismissal**

Deacon: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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

**This Week at St. Luke's Church, August 22<sup>nd</sup> - August 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday**

Boy Scout Troop 411, 7:00-8:30 PM (Teen Center)

**Tuesday**

Worship With the Word, 6:00-8:00 PM (Sanctuary)

Stage 4 Ministry, 6:30-8:30 PM (Lower Conference Room)

Women's Group, 7:00-8:30 PM (Lower Conference Room)

**Wednesday**

St Luke Golf League, 5:20 PM (Pine Valley Golf Course)

**Thursday**

Stage 4 Ministry, 9:30 AM-12:30 PM (Lower Conference Room)

**Friday**

**Saturday**

Men's Group, 9:00-10:30 AM (Common Room)

**Sunday**

Sunday Morning Worship, 9:30 AM (Sanctuary)

Youth Group, 6:30-8:30 PM (Teen Center)

**Readings for August 28: Deuteronomy 4:1-9, Psalm 112,  
Hebrews 13:1-8, Luke 14:1, 7-14**