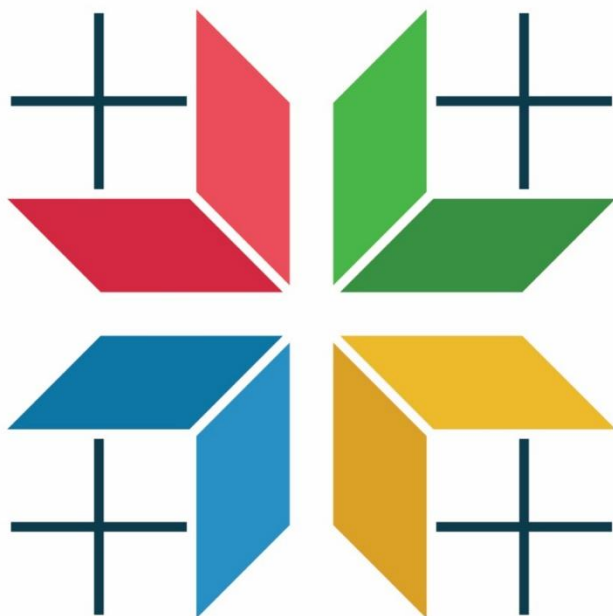




Welcome to St. Luke's Church

Sunday, August 30, 2026

Proper 17

Our Vision:
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.*

Processional Hymn

“Your Grace is Enough”

Great is Your faithfulness, O God.
You wrestle with the sinner's heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus:

So remember Your people, remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God.

Chorus:

Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough.
Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice God.
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

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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)

The Kyrie

**Sung: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
 Lord have mercy on us.
 Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
 Lord have mercy on us.**

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Praise and Worship

“I Believe”

I believe there is one salvation
One doorway that leads to life
One redemption one confession
I believe in the name of Jesus Christ

I believe in the crucifixion
By His blood I have been set free
I believe in the resurrection
Hallelujah His life is death's defeat

Chorus: All praise to God the Father
 All praise to Christ the Son
 All praise to the Holy Spirit
 Our God has overcome
 The King who was and is
 And evermore will be
 In Jesus' mighty name I believe

I believe in the hope of heaven
He's preparing a place for me
Far beyond what hearts imagine
Ears have heard or eyes have seen

I believe that day is coming
He's returning to claim His bride
Light the altar keep it burning
See the Lamb who rose a roaring Lion

Bridge: No I'll never be ashamed
Of the gospel of Jesus Christ
How could I ever walk away
From the One who saved my life

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"The Way"

Through every battle, through every heartbreak
Through every circumstance
I believe that You are my fortress, oh You are my portion
You are my hiding place, I believe You are

Chorus: The Way the Truth the Life, I believe You are
The Way the Truth the Life, I believe (You are)

Through every blessing, through every promise
Through every breath I take
I believe that You are provider, You are protector
You are the One I love, I believe You are

Bridge:
It's a new horizon and I'm set on You
And You meet me here today with mercies that are new
All my fears and doubts they can all come too
Because they can't stay long
(When I'm here with You) (When I believe You are)

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"Exalted Over All"

From Heaven's throne You came to us
And set Your heart upon the cross
We'll never know the sacrifice You made
For all our sin and all our shame
You took the nails and took our place
No one else could do what You have done

Chorus 1: One name is higher, one name is stronger
Than any grave than any throne
Christ exalted over all

From the grave where death would die
You rose again and brought us life
You're reigning now the Savior of the world
You're reigning now the Savior of the world

Chorus 2: The only Savior Jesus Messiah
To You alone our praise belongs
Christ exalted over all

Bridge: We'll sing Your praise, sing Your praise
We sing Your praise forever
And lift Your name, we lift Your name
Jesus over all

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: O Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow after us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Lessons

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm 26

Romans 12:1-8

The Gospel

**Sung: Speak, O Lord, as we come to You,
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness;**

Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 16:21-27.

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.

**Sung: Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
 Holy reverence, true humility.
 Test our thoughts and our attitudes
 in the radiance of Your purity.**

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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 worshipped 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

Deacon: Rejoicing in the Power of the resurrection, let us pray for the Church and the World as our hearts and voices proclaim our desire to see your risen presence move in our midst. Risen Lord, we thank you for conquering sin and death and we pray that the world would experience the freedom and cleansing power that comes to us through your spirit.

We pray that your peace, joy, and presence would result in a church that reflects these things to a world that needs to experience the grace and mercy of your cross and resurrection.
Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear Our Prayer

Deacon: We pray for an outpouring of your resurrection power and spirit upon our Archbishop, our Provincial Dean, our Assistant Dean, our Bishop, our Suffragan Bishop, our priests, and our deacons. We pray especially for the nominees for our next Bishop. And we pray for the church that we may know Christ and make him known. Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear Our Prayer

Deacon: Lord, help us to be children of your word. We Pray that you would empower us to witness daily to your good news, and how your word fills and guides our days. Lord, help us to proclaim your truth. Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear Our Prayer

Deacon: We pray for believers and missionaries who are persecuted for their faith. Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear Our Prayer

Deacon: We Pray that our nation would seek and follow you. Lord, we pray for our President, our Governor, our Senators and Representatives, and all who lead us in public service. May they seek to serve your kingdom purposes and honor your name. Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear Our Prayer

Deacon: We Pray for those who are sick, the needy and all who need your healing. Risen Lord, meet each person in their place of need in your perfect will and timing. Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear Our Prayer

Deacon: We pray for those who have lost loved ones. Lord as we live in the power of your resurrection, teach us to long for your heavenly restoration and joy. Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear Our Prayer

Celebrant: Father God, we trust in the power you have given us over sin and death through your cross. We know the truth of your resurrection, and we seek to live through the power of your spirit. Hear our prayers and respond to them as may be best for us. May our hearts and minds be aligned with your will as we pray to you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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. (I 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. (I 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: Our offertory sentences are from scripture. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. (Hebrews 13:16)

“Grace Greater Than Our Sin”

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain: Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin.

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
Points to the refuge, the mighty cross. (Refrain)

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today. (Refrain)

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
Freely bestowed on all who believe;
All who are longing to see His face,
Will you this moment His grace receive? (Refrain)

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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. We offer communion in the form of bread, wafer, gluten-free wafer, or individually packaged juice and wafer. Once received, step left to drink from the communal cup, or step to the right to intinct (dip) the wafer.]

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, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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 Most
 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord Most High
 All glory power and praise
 And blessing now we raise
 For You alone can save**

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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

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world

All: Have mercy on us.

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world

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.

Music During Communion:

“I Will Restore”

You will restore what has been taken
And for my ashes You will give me
Beauty beyond compare
You will restore my soul with healing oil
You will pick me up from where I fall.

For You are my God, You are my Lord
You are to be adored
Out of my brokenness You took my hand,
And proclaimed, "I will restore!"

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“God You’re Beautiful”

I see Your beauty in the 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:
Come with all your goodness
Come with all your faithfulness
Come with all your love. Come with all your love.

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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 our hopes
All: We set on the risen Christ

The Blessing

The Recessional

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

Chorus: My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed (Chorus)

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures (Chorus)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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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, August 30th – September 6th

Monday

Boy Scout Troop 411, 6:30 PM (The Harbor)

Tuesday

Worship With the Word, 6:30 PM (Sanctuary)

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

Women's Group, 7:00 PM (Common Room)

Wednesday

Thursday

Stage 4 Ministries, 9:30 AM (Common Room)

Friday

Church Offices, CLOSED

Saturday

Men's Group, 9:30 AM (Lower Kitchenette)

Sunday

Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00 AM (Sanctuary)

Upcoming:

September 12th - CMJ Weekend

September 16th - ADGL Bishop Search Walkabout

September 23rd - Harvest Leadership Alliance Training Course

Readings for September 6: Ezekiel 33:1-11

Psalm 119:33-48 ○ Romans 12:9-21 ○ Matthew 18:15-20