

Welcome to St. Luke's Sunday, February 28, 2021

Our Vision: To Know God and To Make Him Known



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Processional Hymn

"Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days"

Lord, who throughout these forty days For us didst fast and pray, Teach us with thee to mourn our sins, And close by thee to stay.

As thou with Satan didst contend, And didst the victory win, O give us strength in thee to fight, In thee to conquer sin.

As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, So teach us, gracious Lord, To die to self, and chiefly live By thy most holy word

And through these days of penitence, And through thy Passiontide, Yea, evermore, in life and death, Jesus! With us abide.

Abide with us, that so, this life Of suffering overpast, An Easter of unending joy We may attain at Last! Amen.

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Welcome and Call to Worship

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

All: His mercy endures forever.

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

Hear our cry and heal our land Let kindness lead us to repentance

Bring us back again

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities that may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Announcements

Praise and Worship

"Our God"

Chorus:

Our God is greater, our God is stronger, God you are higher than any other. Our God is Healer, Awesome in Power Our God! Our God! Water you turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind There's no one like you, none like You Into the darkness you shine, out of the ashes we rise There's no one like you, none like You

Into the darkness you shine, Out of the ashes we rise There's no one like you, none like You (Chorus)

Bridge:

And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us. And if our God is with us, then what could stand against. And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us. And if our God is with us, then what could stand against. What could stand against.

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"Grace So Glorious"

Beneath the cross of Jesus Christ No shadow remains for shame to hide Redemption shone for all to see Perfection bore our penalty with a grace so glorious

Immortal day the veil was torn When mercy donned a crown of thorns As law gave way to liberty and freedom For humanity with a grace so glorious

Pre-Chorus:

And oh the glory of the Savior's love Surrounding our surrender To know forever we are welcomed home

Chorus:

Crowned in glory to glory Worthy is the Lord of all the glory forever Holy is the Lord (Repeat) Triumphant praises without end
All hailing the King of righteousness
And every eye beholds the One our hearts
Were undeserving of with a grace so glorious (Pre-Chorus)

O wondrous day when I will see The face of Him who ransomed me I'll fall in worship at His feet and rise To reign eternally in a grace so glorious O in a grace so glorious (Chorus)

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"O Praise The Name"

I cast my mind to Calvary Where Jesus bled and died for me I see His wounds His hands His feet My Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb The entrance sealed by heavy stone Messiah still and all alone

Chorus: O praise the Name of the Lord our God

O praise His Name forevermore

For endless days we will sing Your praise

Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King (Chorus)

He shall return in robes of white The blazing sun shall pierce the night And I will rise among the saints My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face (Chorus)

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The Lessons

At the end of each reading the lector says: Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalm 16

Romans 8:31-39

The Gospel

Said: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One Have mercy, have mercy on us.

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Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Mark 8:31-38

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 Prayers of the People

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: For Foley Beach our Archbishop, and Mark Engle, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are

persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially Joe Biden, our President, and Mike DeWine. our governor. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Sojana Palacas, Jan Komjati, Mary McCurdy's mother Donna, Jane Gross, Anita Mark's grandson Cyril, those served by Akron Pregnancy Services, and the homeless of Akron. Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: 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 forever.

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 Offertory: (Tithes and offerings are collected at this time)

"To The Table"

Hear the voice of love that's calling There's a chair that waits for you And a friend who understands Everything you're going through

But you keep standing at a distance In the shadows of your shame But there's a light of hope that's shining Won't you come and take your place

Chorus 1: And bring it all to the table
It's nothing He ain't seen before
For all your sin all your sorrow and your sadness
There's a Savior and He calls, Bring it all to the table

He can see the weight you carry
The fears that hold your heart
But through the cross you've been forgiven
You're accepted as you are

Chorus 2: So bring it all to the table

It's nothing He ain't seen before

For all your trials all your worries and your burdens There's a Savior and He calls, Bring it all to the table

Interlude: Bring it all, You can bring it all

Bridge: Come on in take your place

There's no one who's turned away All you sinners all you saints

Come right in and find your grace

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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.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments,

they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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!

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."

Celebrant or Deacon: Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

All: We remember his death. We proclaim his resurrection. We await his coming in glory.

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: Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup All: We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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. 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.

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

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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Music During Communion:

"To be in Your Presence"

To be in Your presence, to sit at Your feet, Where Your love surrounds me and makes me complete. This is my desire, O Lord, this is my desire. This is my desire, O Lord, this is my desire.

To rest in Your presence, not rushing away; To cherish each moment, here I would stay. This is my desire, O Lord, this is my desire. This is my desire, O Lord, this is my desire.

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"Holy Is The Lord"

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, our God. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

And He is worthy to receive our praise, And to be proclaimed as the Lord over all.

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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

"O Praise The Name"

I cast my mind to Calvary Where Jesus bled and died for me I see His wounds His hands His feet My Savior on that cursed tree

Chorus: O praise the Name of the Lord our God

O praise His Name forevermore

For endless days we will sing Your praise

Oh Lord oh Lord our God

He shall return in robes of white The blazing sun shall pierce the night And I will rise among the saints My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face (Chorus)

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The Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

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.