



"I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Welcome to St. Luke's Church Sunday, January 9, 2022

**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.*

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Processional Hymn

“As With Gladness”

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading on-ward, beaming bright
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped
To that lowly manger-bed;
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heav’n and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek the mercy seat.

As they offer’d gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin’s alloy
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ! to thee, our heav’nly King.

Holy Jesus! every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heav’nly country bright,
Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
Thou its sun which goes not down:
There for ever may we sing
Alleluias to our King.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Celebrant: I will make you as a light for the nations,

All: That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

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
Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy
Wash away my sin and pardon my transgressions
Make me clean again. Have mercy on me
Christe eleison, Christ have mercy
Christe eleison, Christ have mercy**

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son, and your Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove: Grant that we, who are born again by water and the Spirit, may be faithful as your adopted children; 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

“Sing To The Lord (Banner)”

Sing to the Lord a new song
Sing to the Lord all the earth
In the beauty of His holiness
The beauty of His holiness

Sing to the Lord a new song
Sing to the Lord O my soul
In the wonders of His mighty hand
The wonders of His mighty hand

Chorus: Great is the Lord we cry
(And) Greatly to be praised
Let every nation rise and say
Our God reigns our God reigns

Sing to the Lord a new song
Worship the Lord evermore
In the glory of His majesty
The glory of His majesty

Bridge: Your banner Your banner over us is love
Unfailing love

Tag: Let all within me bless Your holy name.
Sing, sing, sing to the Lord.
Sing, sing, all that's with in me.
Sing, sing, sing to the Lord.
Sing, sing, all that's with in me.
Let all within me bless Your holy name.
Let all within me bless Your holy name.
Awake my soul within me, give Him praise
Let all within me bless Your holy name.

Ending: 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
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“Yes I Will”

I count on one thing the same God that never fails
Will not fail me now, You won't fail me now
In the waiting the same God who's never late
Is working all things out, You're working all things out

Chorus: Yes I will lift You high in the lowest valley
Yes I will bless Your name
Yes I will sing for joy when my heart is heavy
All my days yes I will

Bridge: I choose to praise to glorify, glorify
The name of all names
That nothing can stand against

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“Let Your Glory Fall”

Lord let Your glory fall as on that ancient day
Songs of enduring love and then Your glory came
And as a sign to You that we would love the same
Our hearts will sing that song, God let Your glory come

Chorus:
You are good. You are good and Your love endures
You are good. You are good and Your love endures
You are good. You are good and Your love endures today

Voices in unison, giving You thanks and praise
Joined by the instruments and then Your glory came
Your presence like a cloud upon that ancient day
The priests were overwhelmed because Your glory came

A sacrifice was made and then Your fire came
They knelt upon the ground
And with one voice they praised
A sacrifice was made and then Your fire came
They knelt upon the ground
And with one voice they praised

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Announcements

The Lessons

Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalm 89:1-29
Acts 10:34-38

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: Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King of Israel.

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Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Luke 3:15-22.

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 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 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)

“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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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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light.

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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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.

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.

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

Music During Communion

“I Surrender All”

All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I freely give.
I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live.

Chorus: I surrender all, I surrender all.
All to Thee my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, humbly at His feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken
Take me Jesus, take me now (Chorus)

All to Jesus I surrender, make me, Savior, wholly Thine,
Let me feel the Holy Spirit
Truly know that Thou art mine. (Chorus)

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee.
Fill me with Thy love and power
Let Thy blessing fall on me. (Chorus)

All to Jesus surrender, now I feel the Sacred Flame
O the joy of full salvation,
Glory, Glory to His name. (Chorus)

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“Radiant Beams of Glory”

Focus of my heart, passion of my life
Holy through and through Jesus dwell inside

Chorus: Radiant beams of glory, fire in Your eyes
The center of the story, the Lamb and His bride

Emerald round Your throne, Crowns at Your feet
Wisdom from Your lips, Living water sweet (Chorus)

Far beyond forever, the day that has no night
I was bound for slavery, but You paid the price (Chorus)

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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

"Yahweh"

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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
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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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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.

This Week at St. Luke's Church, January 10th - January 16th

Monday

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

Thursday

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

Friday

'The Chosen' w/ dessert & discussion, 7:00-9:00 PM
(Café & Sanctuary)

Saturday

Men's Group, 9:00-10:30 AM (Common Room)
Memorial for Susan Carrington, 11:00 AM-12:30 PM (Sanctuary)

Sunday

Morning Worship, 9:30 AM (Sanctuary)
Youth Group, 6:30-8:30 PM (Teen Center)

Coming Up:

Chili Cook-Off and Souper Bowl Party, Feb. 13th

Annual Meeting, Feb. 27th

**Readings for January 16: Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 96,
1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11**