



**Welcome to St. Luke's Church**

**Sunday, June 4, 2023**

**Trinity Sunday**

**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

### “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty”

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee,  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy Name,  
In earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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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  
                      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 and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## **Praise and Worship**

### **“Raise A Hallelujah”**

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies  
I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief  
I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody  
I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

Chorus:

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm  
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar  
Up from the ashes hope will arise  
Death is defeated the King is alive

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me  
I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee  
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery  
I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me (Chorus)

Ending: I raise a hallelujah, I raise a hallelujah  
I raise a hallelujah, I raise a hallelujah

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### **“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”**

Praise to the Lord  
The Almighty the King of creation  
O my soul praise Him  
For He is thy health and salvation  
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near  
Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord  
Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth  
Shelters thee under His wings  
Yea so gently sustaineth  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth

Chorus: Hallelujah Hallelujah  
Hallelujah Hallelujah

Praise to the Lord  
Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee  
Surely His goodness and mercy  
Here daily attend thee  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord  
O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that hath life and breath  
Come now with praises before Him  
Let the Amen sound from His people again  
Gladly fore'er we adore Him (Chorus)

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### **“Goodness Of God”**

I love You, Lord, for Your mercy never fails me  
All my days I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head  
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus: And all my life You have been faithful  
And all my life You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able  
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire  
In the darkest night You are close like no other  
I've known You as a Father, I've known You as a Friend  
And I have lived in the goodness of God (Chorus)

Bridge: 'Cause Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
With my life laid down I'm surrendered now  
I give You everything  
'Cause Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me

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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.**

Genesis 1:1-23

Psalm 150

2 Corinthians 13:5-14

## The Gospel *[All rise]*

**Sung: Word of God speak would You pour down like rain  
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty  
To be still and know that You're in this place  
Please let me stay and rest in Your holiness  
Word of God speak**

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Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
Matthew 28:16-20.

**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**

Deacon: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "Send the Fire of your Spirit. to lead us." For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, for your the sake of your kingdom:

**All: Send the Fire of your Spirit to lead us.**

Deacon: Pour out your spirit afresh upon Foley Beach, our Archbishop, Mark Engle, our Bishop, Dan Morgan, our Rector, Andrew Unger, Scott Souders, John Wagner, and the people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, for the sake of your kingdom:

**All: Send the Fire of your Spirit. to lead us.**

Deacon: Pour out your spirit and gifts upon all those who proclaim the Gospel; and anoint your word for all who teach and disciple others so that lives are transformed. Lord, for the sake of your kingdom:

**All: Send the Fire of your Spirit. to lead us.**

Deacon: Pour out your spirit on our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. Protect them with your power and let your light shine brightly through them. Lord, for the sake of your kingdom:

**All: Send the Fire of your Spirit. to lead us.**

Deacon: Pour out your spirit on our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service. Draw the hearts of our President, Governor, Senators, and State Representatives to you, that their lives would reflect your love for this world and your desire to see us cleansed and transformed by your presence. Lord, for the sake of your kingdom:

**All: Send the Fire of your Spirit. to lead us.**

Deacon: Pour out your spirit on all those who are broken, anxious, depressed, ill, recovering, or any form of physical or spiritual oppression. Lord, for the sake of your kingdom:

**All: Send the Fire of your Spirit. to lead us.**

Deacon: Pour out your spirit on all who have experienced loss and restore in us the hope of your kingdom come. Bless those who have gone before us with the Joy of heaven and a peace that passes understanding. Lord, for the sake of your kingdom:

**All: Send the Fire of your Spirit. to lead us.**

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, we place these prayers before you, entrusting our lives to your will. We wait for your Spirit's outpouring, we long for your gifting of the Body for the sake of your kingdom and we trust that you will draw all hearts to you that we may be one as you are one: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, 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. (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)

## “Creation Calls”

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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.

Who, with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance. For that which we believe of your glory, O Father, we believe the same of your Son, and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.

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, 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.

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

### **Music During Communion**

#### **“The Name Song”**

And thou shalt call his name Jesus,  
Prince of Peace, Mighty God, Wonderful.

Chorus:

Counselor, Holy One, Lamb of God, Prince of Life,  
Cornerstone, King of Kings, Righteous Judge, Son of God,  
Morning Star, I Am.

Lord God Almighty, Lion of the Tribe of Judah,  
Root of David and the Word of Life,  
Author and Finisher of Our Faith,  
The Advocate, The Way, Dayspring, Lord of All. (Chorus)

Chief Shepherd and the Bishop of Souls,  
Messiah, The Truth, The Savior,  
Son of Righteousness and Head of the Church,  
Governor and Light of the World,  
The Lord Jesus Christ, Resurrection Life,  
Lord of Salvation, Alpha and Omega. (Chorus)

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### **“Precious Jesus”**

You, O Lamb, were slain for us. Precious Jesus.  
Suffering Servant, O Man of Pain, You loved us so much.

Lord, we thank You, thank You, thank You.  
O Lord, we praise You, we praise You, Precious Jesus.

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### **“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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### **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**

### **"Creation Calls"**

How could I say there is no God  
When all around creation calls  
A singing bird, a mighty tree  
The vast expanse of open sea

I love to stand at ocean's shore  
And feel the thundering breakers roar  
To walk through golden fields of grain  
'Neath endless blue horizon's frame

I believe, I believe, I believe

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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, June 5<sup>th</sup> – June 11<sup>th</sup>**

### **Monday**

Creative Journalling, 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 Intercessions, 9:30-11:30 AM (Sanctuary)

### **Friday**

St. Luke's Summer Gathering, 6:00-9:00 PM (Tent & The Harbor)

### **Saturday**

Men's Group, 9:30-11:00 AM (Café)  
Homeless Outreach Food Prep, 4:30-6:30 (The Harbor)

### **Sunday**

Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00 AM (Sanctuary)  
Homeless Ministry, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM (Peter Maurin Center)  
**Summer Gathering, 12:00 AM (Tent & The Harbor)**  
*Bethel Akron Worship, 5:00-7:00 PM (Sanctuary & Upper Level)*

### **St. Luke's Summer Gatherings:**

June 11 <sup>th</sup>	June 30 <sup>th</sup>	July 9 <sup>th</sup>
July 28 <sup>th</sup>	August 6 <sup>th</sup>	August 25 <sup>th</sup>

### **Save the Date:**

July 16<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group Mission Trip to Chicago  
August 4<sup>th</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> – Copley Heritage Days  
October 5<sup>th</sup> thru 7<sup>th</sup> – New Directory Photos

**Readings for June 11: Hosea 5:15-6:6, Psalm 50  
Romans 4:13-18, Matthew 9:35-10:15**