



# **Welcome to St. Luke's Church** **Sunday, November 16, 2025**

## **Proper 28**

**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

### “Your Great Name”

Lost are saved, find their way a  
At the sound of your great name  
All condemned feel no shame  
At the sound of your great name  
Every fear has no place  
At the sound of your great name  
The enemy he has to leave  
At the sound of your great name

Chorus: Jesus, worthy is the Lamb  
That was slain for us  
The Son of God and man  
You are high and lifted up  
And all the world will praise  
Your great Name

All the weak find their strength  
At the sound of your great name  
Hungry souls receive grace  
At the sound of your great name  
The fatherless find their rest  
At the sound of your great name  
The sick are healed, the dead are raised  
At the sound of your great name

Bridge:  
Redeemer, My Healer, Lord Almighty  
My Savior, Defender, You are my King

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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: Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy (2x)  
Wash away my sin and pardon my transgressions  
Make me clean again. Have mercy on me  
Christe eleison, Christ have mercy (2x)**

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## Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that bringing forth in abundance the fruit of good works, they may be abundantly rewarded when our Savior Jesus Christ comes to restore all things; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## Praise and Worship

### “Rising Sun”

Praise Him all you sinners  
Sing oh sing you weary  
Oh praise Him all you children of God

We lift high His glory  
Shown throughout our stories  
We praise Him as the children of God

Chorus: Our great Redeemer glorious Savior  
Your Name is higher than the rising sun  
Light of the morning You shine forever  
Your Name is higher than the rising sun  
Your Name is higher than the rising sun

Praise His Name forever  
Speak it loud and clear now  
Oh praise Him all you children of God (Chorus)

Bridge: Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh oh  
Hallelujah name above all  
Simply to speak Your Name is praise  
Hallelujah now and always  
Forever we lift Your Name in praise  
Hallelujah our God You reign  
Simply to speak Your Name is praise oh

Ending: Hallelujah name above all  
Hallelujah name above all  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

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### **“Rest On Us”**

As the Spirit was moving over the water  
Spirit come move over us  
Come rest on us come rest on us

Chorus: Come down Spirit when You move  
You make my heart pound  
When You fill the room  
You're here and I know You are moving  
I'm here and I know You will fill me

Fire and wind come and do it again  
Open up the gates let Heaven on in  
Come rest on us come rest on us

Bridge: Holy Spirit come rest on us  
You're all we want You're all we want

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### **“To Our God”**

Up from the ashes Your love has brought us  
Out of the darkness and into the light  
Lifting our sorrows, bearing our burdens  
Healing our hearts

Chorus: To our God we lift up one voice  
To our God we lift up one song  
To our God we lift up one voice  
Singing hallelujah

Chains have been broken, eyes have been opened  
An army of dry bones is starting to rise  
Death is defeated, we are victorious  
For You are alive

Bridge 1: Hallelujah, singing hallelujah  
Hallelujah, singing hallelujah  
Hallelujah, singing hallelujah, hallelujah

Bridge 2: Make His praise glorious, glorious, glorious  
For His name is glorious, glorious, glorious  
Make His praise glorious, glorious, glorious  
Shout His name glorious, glorious, glorious

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## Children Released for Sunday School / Announcements

### The Lessons

#### Old Testament Reading – Malachi 3:13-4:6

#### Psalm – Psalm 98 (*read responsively*)

Lector: O sing unto the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

**All: With his own right hand and with his holy arm, he has won for himself the victory.**

Lector: The Lord declared his salvation; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

**All: He has remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel, and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.**

Lector: Show yourselves joyful in the Lord, all you lands; sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

**All: Praise the Lord with the harp; sing with the harp a psalm of thanksgiving.**

Lector: With trumpets also and horns, O show yourselves joyful before the Lord, the King.

**All: Let the sea make a noise, and all that is in it, the round world, and those who dwell therein.**

Lector: Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord, for he has come to judge the earth.

**All: With righteousness shall he judge the world, and the peoples with equity.**

#### New Testament Reading – 2 Thessalonians 3:6-16

## **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 Luke 21:5-19.

**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: Let's pray for the Church and the World as our hearts and voices proclaim our desire to see you move in our midst.

We pray Lord for peace, that the world would operate in your presence, apply your love and live in unity until we are called into your heavenly kingdom.

*Pray for the World: Please add here your prayers and intercessions for the world.*

Deacon: We pray for our Archbishop, Steve Wood, also Bishop Ray Sutton and Bishop Julian Dobbs during the Archbishop's leave of absence.

For The Anglican Church in North America and the investigations into the actions of our bishops: may God's truth be revealed as we seek justice for all parties involved, and that God would bring repentance in those having done harm, bring healing to those effected by abuse, and bring restoration to all.

Gracious Father, Look favorably on your holy catholic church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior.



We pray for our diocesan Bishops, Mark Engel and Allen Kannapell, and for the diocesan Search Committee for our next bishop.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Bishop for this Diocese that we may receive a faithful pastor who will preach the Gospel, care for your people, equip us for ministry, and lead us forth in fulfillment of the Great Commission; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We pray for the priests and deacons of St. Luke's Church. We know that we are connected to a larger sphere of influence than just our church and we pray to be unified in our purpose and ministry so that people would be drawn to your transforming love and kingdom purposes.

*Pray for the Church: Please add here your prayers and intercessions for the church.*

Deacon: We pray that your Word would go out to the ends of the earth. We pray for all believers to have a hunger for your word and to seek to teach and disciple others from it.

*Pray for all who proclaim your Gospel: Please add your prayers for preachers, teachers, and evangelists.*

Deacon: We pray for all believers and missionaries who are persecuted for their faith.

*Pray for the persecuted: Please add your prayers for those who are persecuted throughout the world.*

Deacon: We pray, Lord, that you would call our nation back to faithfulness to you, and for those in authority and public service, that they may seek your face and do your will.

*Pray for our nation's leadership: Please add your prayers for our nation.*

Deacon: We Pray for the broken, anxious, depressed, ill, recovering, and for those facing any form of physical or spiritual oppression.

*Pray for those in need: Please add your prayers for those who the Lord has placed on your heart.*

Deacon: We pray for those who grieve the loss of loved ones. We thank you Lord for the hope of heaven and we entrust those who have passed to your eternal care.

*Pray with thanksgiving for the hope of heaven: Please add the names of those who have gone to be with the Lord.*

Celebrant: Father God, we lift our hearts to you in prayer, trusting our hopes and hearts desires to your response.

May we continue to give thanks for your loving hand upon our lives and that our hearts and minds would 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. (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**

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: 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. "Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven."  
(Matthew 7:21)

## **"Mercy"**

I will kneel in the dust at the foot of the cross  
Where mercy paid for me  
Where the wrath I deserve it is gone it has passed  
Your blood has hidden me

Chorus: Mercy mercy as endless as the sea  
I'll sing Your hallelujah for all eternity

We will lift up the cup and the bread we will break  
Remembering Your love  
We were fallen from grace but You took all our shame  
And nailed it to a cross

Bridge: May I never lose the wonder  
O the wonder of Your mercy  
May I sing Your hallelujah hallelujah  
Amen

Ending: I will kneel in the dust at the foot of the cross  
Where mercy paid for me

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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:**

### **“Firm Foundation (He Won't)”**

Christ is my firm foundation  
The rock on which I stand  
When everything around me is shaken  
I've never been more glad  
That I put my faith in Jesus  
'Cause He's never let me down  
He's faithful through generations  
So why would He fail now

Chorus 1: He won't He won't

I've still got joy in chaos  
I've got peace that makes no sense  
So I won't be going under  
I'm not held by my own strength  
'Cause I've built my life on Jesus  
He's never let me down  
He's faithful in every season  
So why would He fail now

Chorus 2: He won't He won't He won't fail He won't fail (no)

Bridge: (Oh) Rain came and wind blew  
But my house was built on You  
(And) I'm safe with You  
I'm going to make it through

Yeah I'm going to make it through  
'Cause I'm standing strong on You  
Yeah I'm going to make it through  
'Cause my house is built on You

Chorus 3: He won't He won't  
He won't fail He won't fail no He won't

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### **“O Come To The Altar”**

Are you hurting and broken within  
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin  
Jesus is calling  
Have you come to the end of yourself  
Do you thirst for a drink from the well  
Jesus is calling

Chorus: O come to the altar  
The Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with  
The precious blood of Jesus Christ



Leave behind your regrets and mistakes  
Come today there's no reason to wait  
Jesus is calling  
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy  
From the ashes a new life is born  
Jesus is calling

Bridge: Oh what a Savior isn't he wonderful  
Sing alleluia Christ is risen  
Bow down before him for he is Lord of all  
Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown  
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

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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

### Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble

Did you feel the mountains tremble  
Did you hear the oceans roar  
When the people rose to sing of  
Jesus Christ the risen One

Did you feel the people tremble  
Did you hear the singers roar  
When the lost began to sing of  
Jesus Christ the saving One

And we can see that God, You're moving  
A mighty river through the nations  
And young and old will turn to Jesus  
Fling wide you heavenly gates  
Prepare the way of the risen Lord

Chorus:      Open up the doors and let the music play  
                 Let the streets resound with singing  
                 Songs that bring Your hope  
                 Songs that bring Your joy  
                 Dancers who dance upon injustice

Do you feel the darkness tremble  
When all the saints join in one song  
And all the streams flow as one river  
To wash away our brokenness

And here we see that God, You're moving  
A time of jubilee is coming  
When young and old return to Jesus  
Fling wide you heavenly gates  
Prepare the way of the risen Lord

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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, November 17<sup>th</sup> – November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

### **Monday**

Creative Journaling, 6:00-9:00 PM (Tompkin's Glory Barn)

Boy Scout Troop 411, 6:30-9:00 PM (The Harbor)

Vestry Meeting, 6:30-9:00 PM (Conference Room)

### **Tuesday**

Worship With the Word, 6:30-8:30 PM (Sanctuary)

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

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

### **Wednesday**

MomCo, 9:30-11:30 AM (Café)

### **Thursday**

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

### **Friday**

*Church Offices CLOSED*

### **Saturday**

Men's Group, 9:30-11:00 AM (Lower Kitchenette)

### **Sunday**

Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00 AM (Sanctuary)

Prayer Team Meeting, 12:00-1:30 PM (Sanctuary)

Youth Group, 6:30-8:30 PM (The Harbor)

### **Upcoming**

Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> – Advent Begins

Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 PM

Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day Service, 10:00 AM

<p><b>Readings for November 23: Jeremiah 23:1-6 ○ Psalm 46</b> <b>Colossians 1:11-20 ○ Luke 23:35-43</b></p>
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