



**Welcome to St. Luke's Church  
Sunday, November 24, 2024**

**Proper 29**

**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

### “All Creatures of Our God and King”

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing, O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,

Chorus: O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest man both warmth and light,

And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part. O sing ye! Alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on Him cast your care.

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness. O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!

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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 on me (2x)  
Christe eleison, Christ have mercy on me (2x)**

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### **Collect of the Day**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

### **Prayer for the Peace of the World**

Celebrant: Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

## **Praise and Worship**

### **“Before the Throne of God Above”**

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong, a perfect plea,  
A great High Priest, Whose name is love,  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is written on His hands,  
My name is hidden in His heart;  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No power can force me to depart  
No power can force me to depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,  
And tells me of the guilt within,  
I look to heav'n and see Him there,  
Who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died  
My sinful soul is counted free;  
For God, the just, is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me,  
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb,  
My perfect, spotless righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I AM,  
The King of glory and of grace!  
One with Himself, I cannot die,  
My soul is purchased by His blood;  
My life is safe with Christ on high,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

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### **“In Christ Alone”**

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
'Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as he stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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### **“King Of Kings”**

In the darkness we were waiting  
Without hope without light  
Till from Heaven You came running  
There was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfil the law and prophets to a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt

Chorus: Praise the Father, praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit three in one  
God of Glory, majesty  
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering  
You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation  
Jesus for our sake You died (Chorus)

And the morning that You rose  
All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good  
For the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs  
And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born  
Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this Gospel truth of old  
Shall not kneel shall not faint  
By His blood and in His Name  
In His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ  
Who has resurrected me (Chorus)

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## **Children Released for Sunday School / Announcements**

### **The Lessons**

Daniel 7:9-14  
Psalm 93  
Revelation 1:1-8

*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: 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 John 18:33-37.

**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 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**

*The Deacon or other person appointed says these prayers and pauses after each prayer.*

Deacon: 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.

*(The people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.)*

Deacon: Lord, in your mercy:

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: For Stephen, our Archbishop, Mark and Allan, our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

*(The people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.)*

Deacon: Lord, in your mercy:

**All: Hear our prayer.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

*(The people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.)*



Deacon: Lord, in your mercy:

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

*(The people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.)*

Deacon: Lord, in your mercy:

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially Joe, our President, and Mike, our Governor.

*(The people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.)*

Deacon: Lord, in your mercy:

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*(The people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.)*

Deacon: Lord, in your mercy:

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection in thanksgiving let us pray.

*(The people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.)*

Deacon: 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 for ever. 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: 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)

### **“Everlasting God”**

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord  
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord

Pre Chorus: Our God You reign forever,  
Our hope our strong Deliverer

Chorus: You are the everlasting God,  
The everlasting God,  
You do not faint; You won't grow weary  
You're the defender of the weak  
You comfort those in need  
You lift us up on wings like eagles

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## **Doxology**

**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 your only begotten Son Jesus Christ, the King of kings and Lord of lords; for you have seated him at your right hand in glory, and put all things in subjection under his feet, that he may present them to you, O Father, perfectly restored in beauty, truth, and love.

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 in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
Your kingdom come, Your will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those  
Who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
Now and for 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:**

**“Here I Am To Worship”**

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## **“Awake My Soul”**

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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**

## **“Build Your Kingdom Here”**

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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 25<sup>th</sup> – December 1<sup>st</sup>**

### **Monday**

Creative Journaling, 6:00-9:00 PM (Tompkin's Glory Barn)  
Vestry Meeting, 6:30-9:00 PM (Conference Room)

### **Tuesday**

'Worship With the Word' Service, 6:30-8:30 PM (Sanctuary)  
Stage 4 Ministry, 6:30-8:30 PM (Lower Conference Room)  
Women's Group, 7:00-8:30 PM (Common Room)

### **Wednesday**

### **Thursday**

Stage 4 Ministry, 9:30-11:30 AM (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)  
Youth Group, 6:30-8:30 PM (The Harbor)

### **Upcoming**

December 6<sup>th</sup> – 'Meeting w God' Service, 7:00 PM

December 21<sup>st</sup> – Men's Breakfast, 8:30 AM

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

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

January 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> – "Create" Worship Arts Retreat

**Readings for December 1: Daniel 7:9-14 ○ Psalm 93  
Revelation 1:1-8 ○ John 18:33-37**