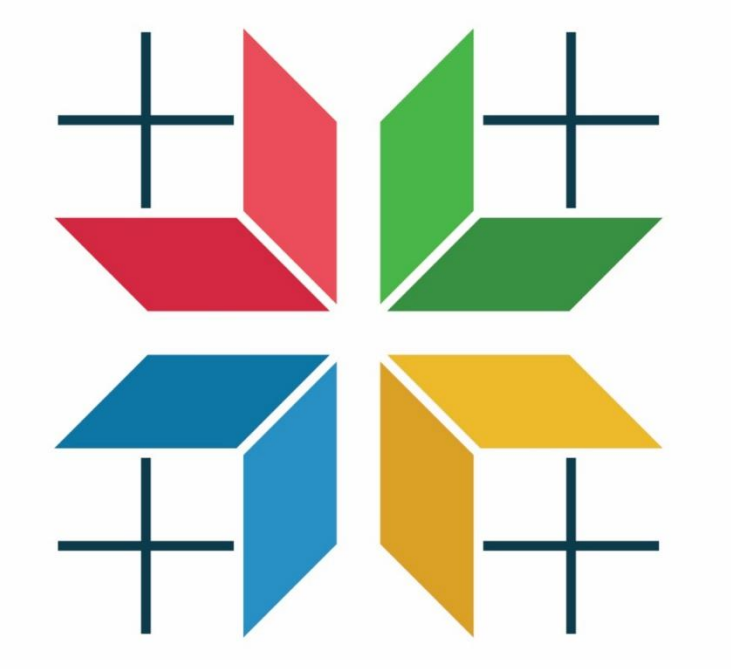


Welcome to St. Luke's Church
Sunday, October 18, 2026

The Feast of St. Luke's

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

"Even So"

All of creation, all of the earth
Make straight a highway, a path for the Lord
Jesus is coming soon

Call back the sinner, wake up the saint
Let every nation shout of Your fame
Jesus is coming soon

Chorus: Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a church ready for You
Every heart longing for our King
We sing, even so come Lord Jesus, come
Even so come Lord Jesus, come

There will be justice, all will be new
Your name forever, faithful and true
Jesus is coming soon

Bridge: So we wait, we wait for You
God, we wait, Your coming soon

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Welcome and Call to Worship

Bishop: The Lord will pour out his Spirit upon all flesh,
All: And your sons and daughters shall prophesy.

Bishop: Your old men shall dream dreams,
All: And your young men shall see visions.

Bishop: You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of his people,
All: That he is the Lord and there is none else.

Bishop: And it shall come to pass
All: That everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.

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 Confession and Absolution of Sin

Deacon: 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 Kyrie

Sung: **Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy**
Lord have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us.

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Praise and Worship

"Ever Be"

Your love is devoted like a ring of solid gold
Like a vow that is tested like a covenant of old
Your love is enduring through the winter rain
And beyond the horizon with mercy for today
Faithful You have been and faithful You will be
You pledge yourself to me and it's why I sing

Chorus: Your praise will ever be on my lips
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips
Ever be on my lips

You Father the orphan, Your kindness makes us whole
You shoulder our weakness
And Your strength becomes our own
You're making me like You, clothing me in white
Bringing beauty from ashes for You will have Your bride
Free of all her guilt and rid of all her shame
And known by her true name and it's why I sing (Chorus)

Bridge: You will be praised You will be praised
With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord
You will be praised You will be praised
With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord
[and it's why I sing]

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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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"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.
Let all within me bless Your holy name.
Let all within me bless Your holy name.
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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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your spirit.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you called your servant Luke to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: Grant that, by the wholesome medicine of the doctrine he taught, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
All: Amen.

The Lessons

Sirach 38:1-14

At the end of the first lesson, the lector says:
Lector: Thus ends the reading.

Psalm 147:1-11

2 Timothy 4:1-13

At the end of the Psalm and New Testament lesson, 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 Luke 4:14-21.
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 Presentation, Exhortation, and Examination

The candidate(s) for Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation will now be presented.

Presenter: Reverend Father in God, we present these persons to receive the laying on of hands.

Bishop: Have they been adequately prepared?

Presenter: They have.

Bishop: Dearly beloved, it is essential that those who wish to be Confirmed or Received in this Church publicly confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; become his disciples; know and affirm the Nicene Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and have received instruction in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments and the Catechism of the Church. God's grace is imparted in Baptism, through which we are made God's children by adoption and given the Holy Spirit. By the power of the Spirit, manifested in gifts and fruit, we are enabled to be God's people for the sake of the world.

Now, these Candidates desire publicly to confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and their commitment to follow him as Lord. They also desire the strengthening of grace through the laying on of hands, that the Holy Spirit may fill them more and more for their ministry in the Church and in the world.

The Bishop then addresses the Candidates

Bishop: Do you, here in the presence of God and the Church, renew the solemn promises and vows made at your Baptism and commit to keep them?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Bishop: Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Bishop: Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Bishop: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Candidates: I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop addresses the Congregation, saying

Bishop: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?
All: We will.

Prayer and the Laying on of Hands

Bishop: Let us pray. Almighty and everliving God, we beseech you to strengthen these your servants for witness and ministry through the power of your Holy Spirit. Daily increase in them your manifold virtues of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and the spirit of holy fear, now and for ever.
All: Amen.

For confirmation: Each Confirmand kneels in front of the Bishop. The Bishop, then laying his hands upon the person's head, prays

Bishop: Defend, O Lord, this your servant, Tom, with your heavenly grace, that he may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until he comes into the fullness of your everlasting kingdom.
All: Amen.

For reception: Those having made adult professions of faith in other Christian traditions are Received with the laying on of hands as follows.

Bishop: Strengthen, O Lord, with your Holy Spirit, your servant, Jacob, whom we recognize as a member of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, and receive into the fellowship of this Communion. Empower him for your service, and sustain him all the days of his life.
All: Amen.

The Bishop may make the sign of the Cross with the Oil of Chrism on the forehead of any receiving the laying on of hands, and may say

Bishop: I sign you with the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Concluding Prayer after the Laying on of Hands

Bishop: Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be upon these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Holy Word, that they may faithfully serve you in this life, and joyfully dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

The Peace

Bishop: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And with your spirit.

Bishop: 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)

Jesus I Come

Oh how I need Your grace more than my words can say
Jesus I come Jesus I come
In all my weaknesses You are my confidence
Jesus I come Jesus I come

Chorus: I will rise stand redeemed heaven open over me
To Your name eternally endless glory I will bring

Oh what amazing love, we need Your cleansing flood
Jesus I come Jesus I come
In every broken place You are my righteousness
Jesus I come Jesus I come

Bridge: Thank You Jesus, just as I am I come
Hallelujah, oh what amazing love

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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: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from 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.

For in the multitude of your saints, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and, together with them, may receive the unfading crown of glory.

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: Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.
All: Therefore let us keep the feast.

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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

Bishop: Go forth into the world in peace, be of good courage, and fight the good fight of faith, that you may finish your course with joy; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
All: Amen.

The Recessional

"Even So"

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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, October 19th – October 25th

Monday
Creating Journaling Class, 6:00 PM (Tompkin's Glory Barn)
Boy Scout Troop 411, 6:30 PM (The Harbor)

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

Wednesday
MomCo Meeting, 9:30 AM (Café & Playroom)
Harvest Leadership Alliance Course, 7:00PM (Conference Room)

Thursday
Stage 4 Ministries, 9:30 AM (Conference Room)

Friday
Church Offices, CLOSED

Saturday
Men's Group, 9:30 AM (Lower Kitchenette)

Sunday
Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM (Café)
Sunday Morning Worship Service, 10:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Prayer Team Meeting, 12:30 PM (Common Room)

Upcoming:
Nov. 6th - 'Meeting with God' Service, 7:00 PM (Sanctuary)

Readings for October 25: Exodus 22:21-27
Psalm 1 ○ 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 ○ Matthew 22:34-46