







# Welcome to St. Luke's Sunday, September 13, 2020

# Our Vision: To Know God and To Make Him Known



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# **Processional Hymn**

#### "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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# Welcome and Call to Worship

Celebrant: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: And 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 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: O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

#### **Announcements**

# **Praise and Worship**

#### "The Cross Has The Final Word"

The cross has the final word
The cross has the final word
Sorrow may come in the darkest night
but the cross has the final word

The cross has the final word
The cross has the final word
Evil may put up its strongest fight
but the cross has the final word

The cross has the final word
The cross has the final word
The Savior has come with the morning light
The cross has the final word

The cross has the final word The cross has the final word He traded death for eternal life The cross has the final word

Bridge: There's nothing stronger, nothing higher

Nothing greater than the name of Jesus

All the honor, all the power All the glory to the name of Jesus

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### "Jesus Paid It All"

I hear the Savior say thy strength indeed is small Child of weakness watch and pray find in Me thine all in all

Chorus: Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe

Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow Lord now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone Can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone.

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete Jesus died my soul to save my lips shall still repeat

Tag: O praise the one who paid my debt And raise this life up from the dead.

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#### "What A Beautiful Name"

You were the Word at the beginning One with God the Lord Most High Your hidden glory in creation Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is What a beautiful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us So Jesus You brought heaven down My sin was great Your love was greater What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You You silence the boast of sin and grave The heavens are roaring, the praise of Your glory For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal Now and forever God You reign Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

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#### **Scripture Readings:**

#### The Lessons

The First Reading is from the Apocrypha:

Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7

Lector: This ends the first reading.

Psalm 103

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Romans 14:5-12

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

# The Gospel

Sung: Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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Lector: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew 18:21-35

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. (I 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. (I John 2:1-2)

The Offertory: (Tithes and offerings are collected at this time)

# "More Than Ashes"

I'm more than what these ashes say
For they will fade away when He comes for me
By grace through faith in Christ I'm saved
And I am not the same when He looks at me

Chorus 1: I am the rose the joy for which You died
And this I know I move You with delight
And when my heart condemns on every side
I take refuge in the truth, I am the rose to You

My life is more than meets the eye I'm hidden now in Christ and I'm one with Him My love is real before His eyes He's ravished by the sight of one glance from me

Chorus 2: I am the rose I am the lily
I am Yours I'm Your beauty
I am the rose I am the lily
I am Yours I'm Your beauty

Chorus 3: There's gonna be a wedding It's the reason that I'm living To marry the Lamb

I'm more than what these ashes say
For they will fade away when He comes for me
My love is real before His eyes
He's ravished by the sight of one glance from me

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Celebrant: All things come of you O Lord

All: And of Your own have we given You.

# The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: It has long been the Church's understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion in person, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion is an ardent desire to receive the Sacrament at a time or in circumstances when one cannot receive Him in sacramental Communion. Please join me and those who have joined us virtually in the prayer of Spiritual Communion.

All: Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest!

# 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 (Said)

Celebrant or 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:**

#### "Surrender"

I'm giving You my heart and all that is within
I lay it all down for the sake of You my King
I'm giving You my dreams, I'm laying down my rights
I'm giving up my pride for the promise of new life

Chorus: And I surrender all to You all to You And I surrender all to You all to You

I'm singing You this song, I'm waiting at the cross And all the world holds dear I count it all as loss For the sake of knowing You, the glory of Your name To know the lasting joy even sharing in Your pain

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#### "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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# **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

# "The Blessing"

The Lord bless you and keep you Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace

Amen, amen, amen Amen, amen, amen

May His favor be upon you and a thousand generations Your family and your children And their children, and their children

May His presence go before you And behind you, and beside you All around you, and within you He is with you, He is with you

In the morning, in the evening In your coming, and your going In your weeping, and rejoicing He is for you, He is for you

He is for you, He is for you He is for you, He is for you He is for you, He is for you

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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.

Readings for September 20: Jonah 3:10-4:11, Psalm 145:1-21, Philippians 1:21-27, Matthew 20:1-16