

SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 15, 2022
10:00 O'clock AM

SAINT LUKE'S: A USER'S GUIDE

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. If you are a visitor or a newcomer, please make yourself known to the priest or greeter and let us know if we can be of help to you.



COVID-19 Protocols for Gathering

The Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem recommends the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) "[How to Protect Yourself & Others](#)" web page for detailed advice about our continuing effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

General Guidelines

Indoor Gathering

When considering indoor gathering and worship, each parish should determine the following:

- Your county's "[COVID-19 Community Level](#)" as calculated by the CDC
- The Vestry's consensus to open for indoor gathering/worship
- The agreement of the Rector/Priest-in-charge to open for indoor gathering/worship

Parish leadership should develop and communicate prevention steps for their parish as informed by the CDC's "[How to Protect Yourself & Others](#)" and "[COVID-19 Community Level](#)" web pages. People with symptoms, a positive COVID-19 test, or exposed to someone with COVID-19 should consider online worship/gathering instead of gathering in-person while masked.

Masking

As suggested by the CDC, "People may choose to mask at any time." Additionally, the following masking recommendations are suggested based on your county's "[COVID-19 Community Level](#)":

- High: Everyone should wear a mask indoors
- Medium: People at high risk for severe illness should wear a mask indoors
- Low: No mask requirement indoors

The CDC's "[Use and Care of Masks](#)" web page is a good resource for learning more about the importance of masks for indoor gathering.

Specific Recommendations

Singing

Congregational or choir singing should follow the "Masking" guidelines above.

Eucharist

For indoor worship in counties with a "[COVID-19 Community Level](#)" of Medium or High should consider these recommendations for celebrating the Eucharist:

- The Celebrant should sanitize hands liberally and wear a mask.
- The Sacrament should be received by the communicants in only one kind (the Bread).
- Any person who delivers the Bread to the communicants should sanitize hands liberally and wear a mask.
- The Cup should be received only by the Celebrant.

There are no COVID-19 specific recommendations for celebrating the Eucharist in counties with a "[COVID-19 Community Level](#)" of Low.

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Sung Holy Eucharist II---10:00 O'clock AM

The Reverend Rebecca A. Barnes, Rector

Our Mission Statement

To spread the Gospel to all people through hospitality, service, and spiritual growth.

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(Please silence all cell-phones & digital devices until after the Service! Thank you.)

SUNG LITURGY OF THE DAY

Setting by Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Musicians of Saint Luke's

Ms. Janet Burgan (Soprano), Mr. Max Roche (Tenor), Mr. Francis McMullen (Bass),

Ms. Maria Zengion (Organist and Choirmaster)

Hymns, in numerical order, are in the 1982 Hymnal; service music is listed on the service leaflet and may be found in the front of the 1982 Hymnal, with "S" before the number. "BCP" with a page number, refers to The Book of Common Prayer. The Collect of the Day, the First and Second Lessons, and the Gospel are on the bulletin insert.

PRAYER BEFORE THE SERVICE

O Almighty God, *who pourest* out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to *thee*, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship *thee* in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



PRELUDE

Wär Gott nicht mit uns diese zeit

Johann Nicolaus Hanff (1665-1711/12)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #432 O praise ye the Lord!

Laudate Dominum

All stand as the procession enters the nave.

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;
 2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth,
 *3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;
 4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song

re - joice in his word, ye an - gels of light;
 in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;
 each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;
 to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!

ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,
 praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,
 loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,
 For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.
 praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.
 and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.
 for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

EASTER ACCLAMATION

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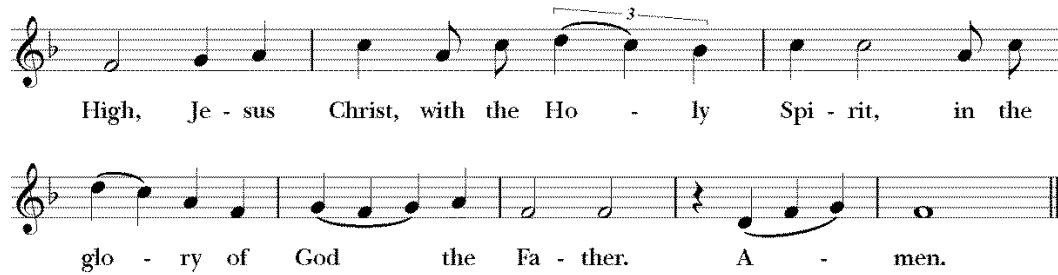
Celebrant
Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People
The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE GLORIA

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

All sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING Acts 11:1-18

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

NOW the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by

which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 148 *Laudate Dominum* *Sung by the choir*

BCP page 805

- 1 Hallelujah!
 Praise the LORD from the heavens; *
 praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; *
 praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; *
 praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
 and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD; *
 for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
 he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, *
 you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
 tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, *
 fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, *
 creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
 princes and all rulers of the world;

- 12 Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING Revelation 21:1-6

Reader A reading from the Revelation to John.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE #439 What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

All standing

Unison



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and
won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll
caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing
soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 13:31-35

All remain standing

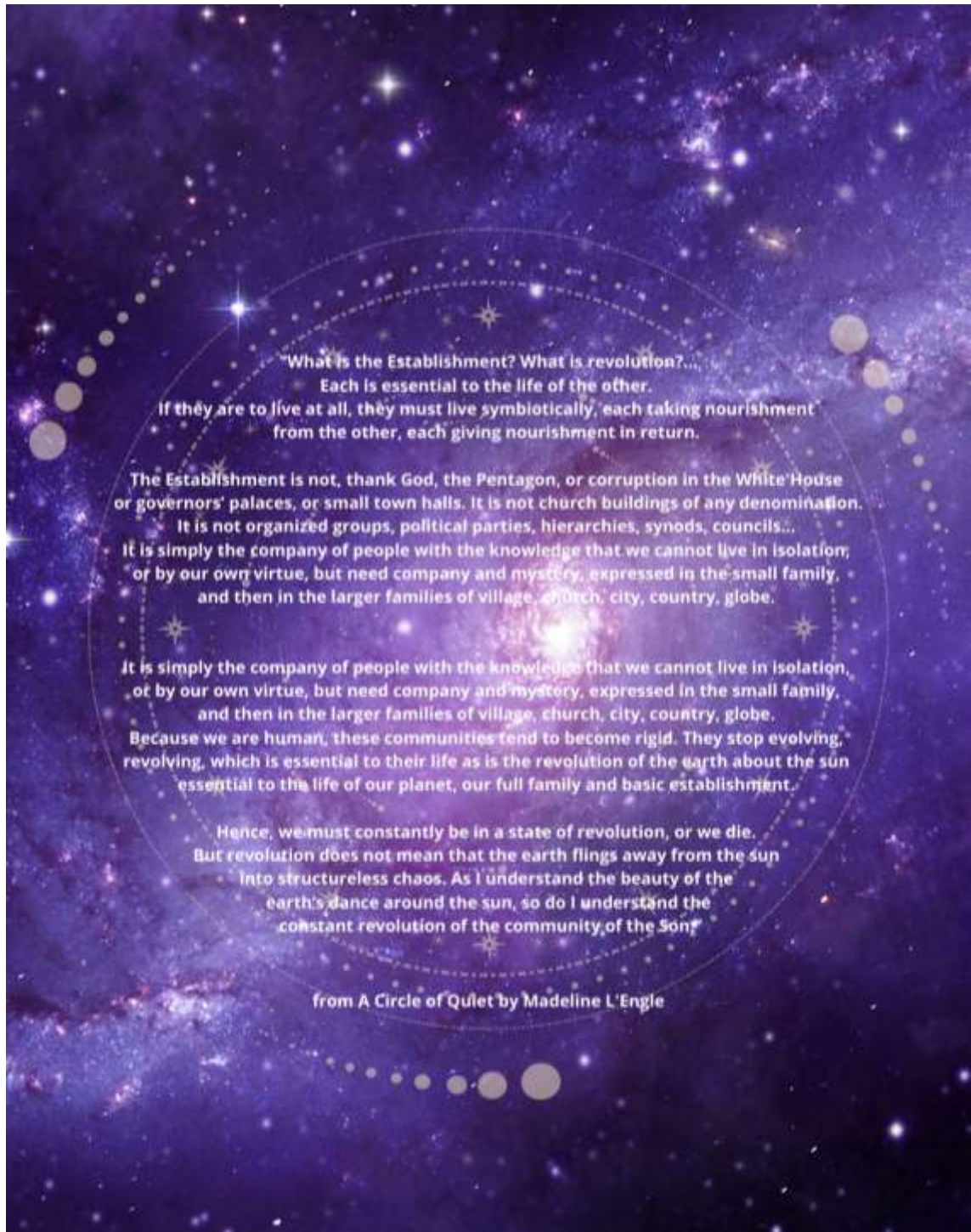
Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

AT the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



What is the Establishment? What is revolution?...
Each is essential to the life of the other.
If they are to live at all, they must live symbiotically, each taking nourishment
from the other, each giving nourishment in return.

The Establishment is not, thank God, the Pentagon, or corruption in the White House
or governors' palaces, or small town halls. It is not church buildings of any denomination.
It is not organized groups, political parties, hierarchies, synods, councils...
It is simply the company of people with the knowledge that we cannot live in isolation,
or by our own virtue, but need company and mystery, expressed in the small family,
and then in the larger families of village, church, city, country, globe.

It is simply the company of people with the knowledge that we cannot live in isolation,
or by our own virtue, but need company and mystery, expressed in the small family,
and then in the larger families of village, church, city, country, globe.
Because we are human, these communities tend to become rigid. They stop evolving,
revolving, which is essential to their life as is the revolution of the earth about the sun
essential to the life of our planet, our full family and basic establishment.

Hence, we must constantly be in a state of revolution, or we die.
But revolution does not mean that the earth flings away from the sun
into structureless chaos. As I understand the beauty of the
earth's dance around the sun, so do I understand the
constant revolution of the community of the Song.

from A Circle of Quiet by Madeline L'Engle

THE NICENE CREED *(All Stand)*

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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

Intercessor Because God has been glorified in Jesus, let us pray for all those God loves in the name of Jesus saying: *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the Church, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kevin, our bishop, that strengthened by the Risen Christ, we may be strong in our faith and bear witness to his commandment of love. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that we may be known as disciples of Jesus by the love and care that we show one another. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For people of all faiths, who are experiencing persecutions and hardships, that God will protect them, fill them with courage, and help them to love in the face of fear. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the people of Ukraine and Russia, who are caught up in the war, that peace and justice may prevail. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all whose work points to a new heaven and new earth, especially those who fight poverty, homelessness, and hunger, that God's light and love will shine through their service and be a sign of hope for all. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the elderly and the homebound, the sick and the suffering, remembering especially, Jordan, Mary Ann, Beverly & Frank, Edna, Peter, Tim, Evan, Martin, Fr. Joe, Naomi, Elaine, Jennifer, Beatrice, Lynn, Rich, Maria, Melvin, Lolly, Mary Jane, Bruce, George, Carrie, and Dawn, that God will renew them and give them a taste of the water of life. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who have died, remembering especially, Dan, Sue, Theresa, Felicia, Marion, Jane, and Suzanne, that they may find a place in the new and eternal Jerusalem where death is no more, let us pray to the Lord. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Blessed Mary, the God-bearer, Blessed Luke, and all the saints who have borne witness to the Risen Christ, let us offer ourselves, and one another, to the living God, through Christ. *Alleluia! To you, O Lord, we give praise and glory.*

Celebrant Blessed are you, God of glory, who gave us your Son. Hear the prayers we offer on behalf of your whole creation, and strengthen it in your love, that we may honor your Spirit, which fills the whole earth, through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

OFFERTORY HYMN #W779 The church of Christ in every age

Dunedin

1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by
2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise. A car - ing
4. For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5. We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -

change but spir - it led, must claim and test its her - i -
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for bread to
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's sac - ri -
fe - ver in our blood. And teach us how to share our
be - dience to our Lord: to care for all with - out re -

tage and keep on ri - sing from the dead,
eat and nev - er live un - til they die.
fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty,
bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude,
serve. And spread Christ's lib - er - a - ting word.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SURSUM CORDA

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Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues with the Preface for Easter

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant

There - fore we pro - claim the mys - ter - y of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

The Eucharistic prayer concludes with the Doxology, the People respond with the following

THE GREAT AMEN

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A - men. A - men. A - men.

The musical notation consists of a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features three measures of music: the first measure has a quarter note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B; the second measure has a quarter note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B; the third measure has a whole note G. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The musical notation is written on a single staff in B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

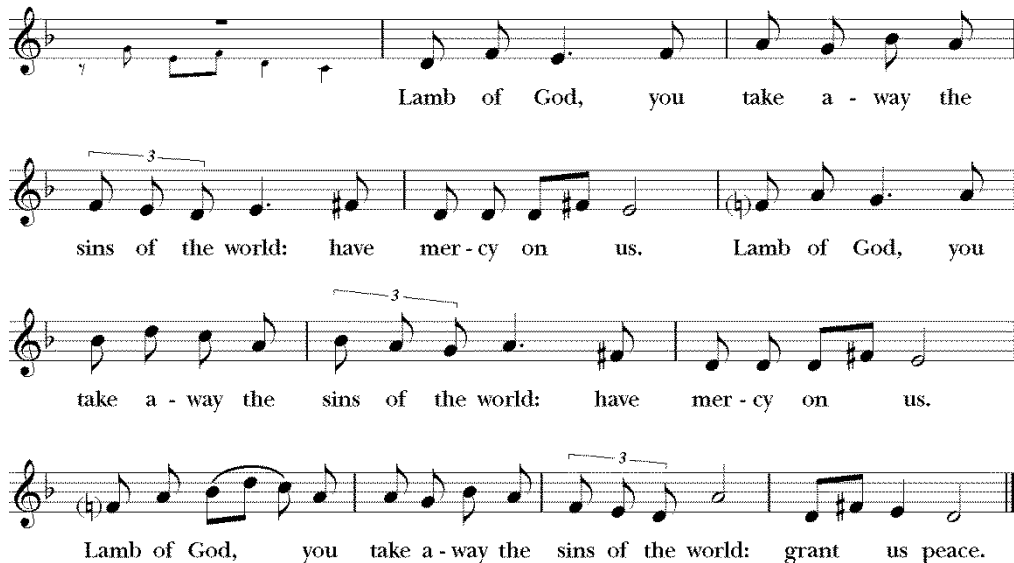
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

A period of silence is kept

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

We welcome all baptized persons, regardless of age or denomination to receive communion at Saint Luke's. If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward to a blessing. To show that you wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest.

We invite those who are joining via livestreaming to make an Act of Spiritual Communion

<https://news.forwardmovement.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Spiritual-Communion.pdf>



AT THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION SOLO “The Call” from *Five Mystical Songs* Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Francis McMullen, soloist

*Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a Way, as gives us breath:
Such a Truth, as ends all strife:
Such a Life, as killeth death*

*Come, My Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a Light, as shows a feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length:
Such a Strength, as makes his guest*

*Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a Joy, as none can move:
Such a Love, as none can part:
Such a Heart, as joys in love*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE EASTER BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE FINAL HYMN #529 In Christ there is no East or West

McKee

Unison or harmony

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in
 2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -
 3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in


him no South or North, but one great fel - low -
 e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther
 him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 as his child is sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.


THE EASTER DISMISSAL

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Deacon




Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia.

People



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POSTLUDE Christ, der du bist der helle tag, BWV 1120 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

PRAYER AFTER THE SERVICE

Grant, we beseech *thee*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *thy* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The flowers on the altar today and last Sunday are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Jean Oressey and Pearl Stanis by Dr. Richard and Gail Stanis.*

*The candle beside the Ambry, in which the Blessed Sacrament is reserved, has been given in loving memory of
Felicia Bernardini by Pete and Patty Coccetti*

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SPECIAL MINISTERS

Saturday, 5:00 pm: TBD (Ushers and Altar Guild); D. Kraus (Crucifer and Acolyte); D. Kraus (Lector); S. Hoffman (Intercessor).

Sunday, 10:00 am: D. Kraus, A. Wrazien (Altar Guild); TBD (Ushers); A. Guthrie (Crucifer); TBD (Torch Bearers); L. Edwards, M. Baccoli (Lectors); C. Winn (Intercessor); D. Wegner, C. McMullen (Counters).

***Servers are needed at every service:** If you are interested in serving, please contact Mother Barnes. A sign-up sheet for the month may be found in Israel Lounge.

THIS WEEK AT ST. LUKE'S

Welcome to St. Luke's as we return to in-person worship! Live streaming and zoom gatherings continue from St. Luke's. Please join us on our [Facebook page](#) for the streaming of the services.

** (Note: if you are NOT a Facebook member, when you click on the link it will ask you to sign in or create an account, which you can ignore and just scroll down the page a bit till you see the service.)

Click [here](#) for a copy of the Book of Common Prayer!

Click [here](#) for a copy of Enriching Our Worship 1. This contains supplemental liturgical materials (i.e. Canticles) we occasionally use for Morning and Evening Prayer.

Daily Office: Morning and Evening Prayer – Morning Prayer at 9 AM; Evening Prayer at 5PM are live-streamed on Sunday; Tuesday through Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, MAY 14 – EASTER FERIA

- 9AM – Morning Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))

SATURDAY, MAY 14 – THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 5PM – Said Holy Eucharist I ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))

[The Fifth Sunday of Easter \(Lectionary Readings\)](#)

[Click here for the 5 PM service leaflet](#)

SUNDAY, MAY 15 – THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

See above for Lectionary Readings

- 9AM Morning Prayer Rite I ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))
- 10AM - Sung Holy Eucharist II ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))

[Click here for the 10AM service leaflet](#)

- 5PM Evening Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))

MONDAY, MAY 16 – MARTYRS OF SUNDAN AND SOUTH SUDAN (NO SCHEDULED SERVICES/EVENTS).

- [Monday Morning Prayer](#)
- [Monday Evening Prayer](#)

TUESDAY, MAY 17 – THURGOOD MARSHALL

- 9AM – Morning Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))
- 5PM – Evening Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))
- 6:30PM – Cypress House Executive Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 – EASTER FERIA

- 9AM – Morning Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))
- 12:10PM – Healing Eucharist
- 5PM – Evening Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))

THURSDAY, MAY 19 – DUNSTAN

- 9AM – Morning Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))
- 5PM – Evening Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))
- 5:30PM – Centering Prayer Our ongoing group meets each Thursday at 5:30 BOTH IN THE CHAPEL AT ST. LUKE'S AND ON ZOOM. All are welcome to join in. To access the "zoom chapel" click [here](#). Click [here](#) for a brochure on *The Method of Centering Prayer*.

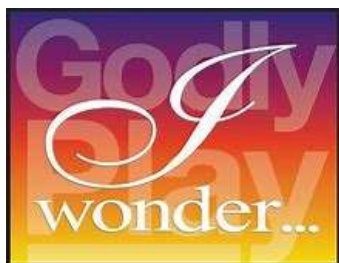
FRIDAY, MAY 20 – ALCUIN OF YORK

- 9AM – Morning Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))
- 5PM – Evening Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))

SATURDAY, MAY 21 – LYDIA OF THYATIRA

- 9AM – Morning Prayer ([streamed on our parish Facebook page](#))

Announcements and Upcoming Events



Sunday School, 9:30 AM – St. Luke's uses Godly Play, a Montessori-based curriculum with our younger children, ages five to ten years old. Rick Ammenhauser, Senior Sunday school teacher leads the children's Sunday school classes at 9:30am. **The final session for this season will be Sunday, May 22.** For more information, to enroll your child, or to learn more about serving in the Sunday school program, please contact Mother Barnes at mthrbarnes@gmail.com or Rick Ammenhauser at imgold67@aol.com

Visit the Children & Youth website page for weekly updates and materials for our younger members! **Lectionary based resources from are available in the rear of Nave.**

Resources for Children: We have new welcome bags for our youngest attendees to enjoy during Mass. The bags are filled with sensory engaging toys and books and are available from an usher. Weekly lectionary materials are also available for our youngest members and visitors.

Bishop Kevin's Easter Message

"Jesus is calling our name, inviting us into transformation, a new way of being and seeing." Bishop Kevin Nichols. If you missed the Bishop's Easter 2022 message, you can watch by clicking here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ycSkBs9dKY0>



Grocery Giveaway - Tuesday May 17, 2022 from 1-3PM. St. Luke's monthly Grocery Give in partnership with Friends of the Poor, will be this coming Tuesday. The program is open to all who may be experiencing food insecurity. If you would like information about receiving food, or about volunteering, please contact Sharon Sollami at sharonsollami@gmail.com

Throughout the month of May, we are seeking donations of herbs and spices for our monthly grocery giveaway. Donations can be dropped off in the designated box in Israel Lounge. Specifically, we are seeking bottles of: Black Pepper,

Garlic Powder, Thyme, Rosemary, Cayenne Pepper, Cumin, Paprika, Cinnamon, and Nutmeg.

Catch Up With the Congregation

Coffee Hour is a wonderful time for us to gather together as a parish community. If you would like to host the hour with a light snack or homemade goodie, please sign up on the board in Israel Lounge. If you have a favorite coffee mug you'd like to contribute for use during coffee hour, please bring it in; St. Luke's is trying to minimize the use of paper products!



St. Luke's Holy Hikers will begin its second season with a walk at Lake Scranton on **Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 10:00AM**; the group will meet in the upper parking lot. Everyone is invited to join in the walk for whatever distance is comfortable for you. The contemplative walk will begin with prayer, reflection, and worship.

At its April meeting the Vestry approved affiliating with Holy Hikes, an Episcopal organization, and adopting our group as an official ministry of St. Luke's. The May walk will be the first hike under our new chapter title name ***Holy Hikes Northeast Pennsylvania***. Holy Hikes Northeast Pennsylvania plans to meet on the third Saturday of each month through October; the June hike will be on the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail beginning at the Olive St. trailhead. If you would like to recommend a Scranton area trail or park let David Wegner know! For more information contact David at drwegner@epix.net or check the parish Facebook page for updates.

Parish Game Night

St. Luke's Parish Game Night, an intergenerational event, returns on **Friday, June 3, 2022** from 6:00PM to 9:00PM. Join in the fun with bingo, Jenga, and lots of "Minute to Win It" games. All are welcome!



Senior Information Fair

On **Friday, June 3, 2022 from 3:00PM to 4:30PM**, St. Luke's will be the host site for a multi-agency town hall style gathering of older adults who are residents of downtown Scranton. The objective is to gain an understanding of the specific interests and needs of those residents so as to expand housing, communication, beautification, and health services programs. Partnering with the Area Agency on Aging, Lackawanna County, Scranton Tomorrow, Scranton Area Community Foundation and the University of Scranton, among others, St. Luke's is excited to host this event for our neighbors.

Upcoming Concerts at St. Luke's and beyond

TODAY: Choral Society of NEPA presents Anglican Gems, SUNDAY AT 3 PM – 4:30 PM
St. Stephen's Episcopal Pro-Cathedral, 35 S. Franklin St. Wilkes-Barre, PA, 18701

Accompanied by Canon Mark Laubach on the St. Stephen's "Gem," we sing Britten's Rejoice in the Lamb, Handel's Coronation Anthem No. 4, and works by Ireland, Wesley, Parry, Stanford, Gibbons, and McKie. General Admission \$15.00; age 18 and under free.



Make It a Double! Great Pairings!

On **Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 3:00PM** the Lyric Consort will be serving up selections from a variety of styles and genres, including Spirituals, love songs, jazz standards, Debussy, Chansons, popular songs, and more at St. Luke's. They will also premiere a new work commissioned from James Eakin in memory of Dr. Steven Thomas. Tickets are available at the door for \$10.00.

In a Pastoral Emergency, please contact—The Reverend Rebecca A. Barnes, Rector at 646-533-1836/e-mail at mthrbarnes@gmail.com. If you, or a family member, are in the hospital, a health care facility, or are home bound and would like to have a visit from Mother Barnes or a member of our Pastoral Care Committee, please contact the parish office. Due to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, commonly known as HIPAA, hospitals no longer automatically provide churches with names of admitted parishioners. If you or a family member are hospitalized or in a health care facility someone acting on your behalf will need to notify the church to assure that proper pastoral care may be offered. St. Luke's church complies with all HIPAA requirements and cannot provide personal information for sick or injured members without permission of the member or his or her close family member. Additionally, if you or a loved one are hospitalized or homebound and desire regular Eucharistic visitation, please notify the parish office. Eucharistic Visitations are customarily made once per month; weekly visits may be scheduled upon request.



May 15, 2022 – Easter 5 (C)
Week 4: Reflections on the Resurrection

During the Easter season, Sermons That Work is pleased to present reflections from bishops of The Episcopal Church on the resurrection of our Lord. Check back each week for a brief exploration of how Jesus Christ's rising from the grave changes everything. To listen to this reflection, scan the QR code on this page and subscribe to the Sermons That Work podcast.

In John's version of Easter, Mary lingers at the empty tomb after Peter and John run quickly away. When the risen Jesus appears in front of her, she mistakes him for the gardener. It's an understandable miss. In the grip of all the trauma and grief from the events of Good Friday, she certainly wouldn't be expecting the one for whom she grieves to be suddenly standing in front of her. It's easy to overlook that moment as an unimportant detail.

However, as I return to this story year after year, I've come to think it's not a mistake at all, that Mary gets it exactly right, and that this detail helps us understand why the Resurrection really matters.

The original vocation to which God calls humanity is tilling and keeping the world God has made. We initially failed in that calling, choosing ourselves and our own way over God and God's way of love. The whole arc of scripture is essentially the story of God's project to reforest a world that has become desolate with suffering, violence, and death as a result of our rejection of God. Of course, Jesus is the gardener! His resurrection is the unmistakable assurance of God's intention to restore the desert we have made of the world to the original garden God intended, lush with the fruits of love, life, justice, and peace.

Jesus died a real death. The same death each of us fears, and that we have seen take so many we love. For the Resurrection to mean anything, it must be every bit as real as that death. Jesus the gardener reminds us that, as an Easter people, the point of our faith and our lives is not to escape from the world and its pain, but rather to join Jesus in renewing the world, planting seeds of hope, watering the parched places of pain, tilling the soil toward justice, working the land to nurture the feast of love God intended. We don't find the Beloved Community by retreating to somewhere else, we find it by following Jesus to where the pain is, and by digging, by tilling, by keeping.

Plant a tree in these days of Easter. Grow a garden. Make it a sign and sacrament of how we are called in every moment to bear witness to the great good news that death is not what it appears to be. Even now, the green shoots of faith and hope are bringing about God's perfect reign of love, joy, and life that knows no end.
Alleluia!



*This reflection was written by **the Rt. Rev. Craig Loya**. Bishop Loya was consecrated the X Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota on June 6, 2020. He served as Dean of Trinity Cathedral in Omaha, Nebraska from 2013-2020, and was the Canon to the Ordinary in the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas from 2009-2013. He received his Master of Divinity from Yale University and a Diploma in Anglican Studies from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale in 2002.*



Episcopal Church statement on reports concerning Supreme Court case pertaining to abortion

May 3, 2022

Office of Government Relations

Since 1967, The Episcopal Church has maintained its “unequivocal opposition to any legislation on the part of the national or state governments which would abridge or deny the right of individuals to reach informed decisions [about the termination of pregnancy] and to act upon them.” In light of the recent report about a pending decision in the Supreme Court case [Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health](#), The Episcopal Church reaffirms our commitment to “equitable access to women’s health care, including women’s reproductive health care,” which we view as “an integral part of a woman’s struggle to assert her dignity and worth as a human being.” The Office of Government Relations will continue to advocate at the federal level to protect reproductive rights.

We encourage you to [read this overview of The Episcopal Church’s positions on abortion and women’s reproductive health](#).

Summary of General Convention Resolutions on Abortion and Women's Reproductive Health

May 17, 2019

Office of Government Relations

Clergy throughout The Episcopal Church counsel women, men, and families who must make decisions relating to pregnancy and childbirth, adoption, family planning, and who face infertility. Our ordained and lay leaders walk alongside Episcopalians and others who struggle with this intimate and challenging aspect of human life. Over the past several decades, the General Convention has addressed the topic of abortion from a position informed by this ministry and personal lived experience of clergy and laity within their own families. As a result, the General Convention of The Episcopal Church recognizes the moral, legal, personal, and societal complexity of the issue. The diversity of views within the Church represents our common struggle to understand and discern this issue.

The Episcopal Church [teaches](#) that “all human life is sacred. Hence, it is sacred from its inception until death. The Church takes seriously its obligation to help form the consciences of its members concerning this sacredness. Human life, therefore, should be initiated only advisedly and in full accord with this understanding of the power to conceive and give birth which is bestowed by God.” Our liturgical text *Enriching Our Worship* calls for great pastoral sensitivity to the needs of the woman and others involved in decisions relating to “abortion, or mishaps of pregnancy and infertility.” This ministry is particularly important in situations that result in the loss of a pregnancy or inability to become pregnant and as a Church, we have experienced that all of these have “a tragic dimension.”

In a series of statements over the past decades, the Church has declared that “we emphatically oppose abortion as a means of birth control, family planning, sex selection, or any reason of mere convenience.” At the same time, since 1967, The Episcopal Church has maintained its “unequivocal opposition to any legislation on the part of the national or state governments which would abridge or deny the right of individuals to reach informed decisions [about the termination of pregnancy] and to act upon them.”

The Church [urges](#) dioceses and congregations “to give necessary aid and support to all pregnant women.” [General Convention](#) “commends the work and mission of pregnancy care centers which

stress unconditional love and acceptance, for women and their unborn children.” We have urged support of “local pregnancy care centers” that “develop an outreach of love to pregnant women and to mothers and their children.”

At the General Convention in [2018](#), The Episcopal Church called for “women’s reproductive health and reproductive health procedures to be treated as all other medical procedures.” The Convention declared “that equitable access to women’s health care, including women’s reproductive health care, is an integral part of a woman’s struggle to assert her dignity and worth as a human being.”

We continue to advocate that “legislating abortions will not address the root of the problem. We therefore express our deep conviction that any proposed legislation on the part of national or state governments regarding abortions must take special care to see that the individual conscience is respected, and that the responsibility of individuals to reach informed decisions in this matter is acknowledged and honored as the position of this Church.”

The Church also sees education as an essential component of engaging with issues relating to family planning, child spacing, adoption, infertility and abortion. The global Anglican Communion, of which The Episcopal Church is a member, first supported the use of contraceptives in 1930, and as Christians we affirm responsible family planning. General Convention policy [states](#) “it is the responsibility of our congregations to assist their members in becoming informed concerning the spiritual, physiological and psychological aspects of sex and sexuality.” The Book of Common Prayer affirms that “the birth of a child is a joyous and solemn occasion in the life of a family. It is also an occasion for rejoicing in the Christian community” (p 440).

General Convention Resolutions

[1976-D095](#) – Reaffirm the 1967 General Convention Statement on Abortion

[1982-B009](#) – Reaffirm the Church’s Guidelines on the Termination of Pregnancy

[1982-D016](#) – Reaffirm the Right to the Use of Artificial Conception Control

[1982-A065](#) – Condemn Use of Abortion for Gender Selection and Non-serious Abnormalities

[1988-D124](#) – Condemn Acts of Violence Against Abortion Facilities and Their Clients

[1988-C047](#) – Adopt a Statement on Childbirth and Abortion

[1988-A089](#) – Promote Use of Materials on Human Sexuality and Abortion for All Age Groups

[1991-C037](#) – Oppose Legislation Requiring Parental Consent for Termination of Pregnancy

[1991-A096](#) – Continue Discussion on the Use of Fetal Tissue for Research Use

[1994-D105](#) – Commend the Work of Pregnancy Care Centers

[1994-D091](#) – Deplore Practice of Forced Abortions and Sterilization in China

[1994-A054](#) – Reaffirm General Convention Statement on Childbirth and Abortion

[1994-D009](#) – Reaffirm Family Planning and Control of Global Population Growth

[1997-D065](#) – Express Grave Concern Over Misuse of Partial Birth Abortion

[2000-D104](#) – Affirm Adoption and Support Legislation on Adoption Counseling

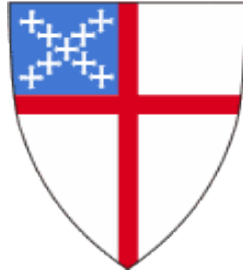
[2018-D032](#) – Equal Access to Health Care Regardless of Gender

Resolves of the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church

[Opposition to the Human Life Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, 1981](#)

[Affirmation of the International Conference on Population and Development, 2004](#)

[Support for Women’s Access to Healthcare, 2014](#)



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