

# SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 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.

# Thanksgiving Day

# November 24, 2022

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# 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*.



**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** #290 "Come, ye thankful people come"

# **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever, Amen.

# THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

LMIGHTY God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are  $\Pi$ 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.

When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung or said, all standing

# THE GLORIA

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,

LORY to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. BCP page 355

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St. George's, Windsor

John Keeble (1711-1786)

PRELUDE

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

The People

And also with you.

The Celebrant Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

All sit

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### THE FIRST READING Deuteronomy 26:1-11

 $\mathbf{V}$ HEN YOU HAVE COME into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

The ReaderThe Word of the Lord.The PeopleThanks be to God.

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#### PSALM 100 Read in Unison

#### Jubilate Deo

1 Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; \* serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

- 2 Know this: The LORD himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \* give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- 4 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; \* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

#### THE SECOND READING Philippians 4:4-9

**R**EJOICE IN THE LORD always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

*The Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*The People* Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN #288 Praise to God, immortal praise

All standing

<b>THE HOLY GOSPEL</b> <i>All remain standing</i>	John 6:25-35
The Celebrant	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
The People	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

WHEN THE CROWD found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, `He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.
The Celebrant	The Gospel of the Lord.

#### THE SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED

All Stand

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. Mother Barnes

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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 - A Litany of Thanksgiving

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The Leader and People pray responsively

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea. *We thank you, Lord.* 

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ, *We thank you, Lord.* 

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends, *We thank you, Lord.* 

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve, *We thank you, Lord.* 

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play, *We thank you, Lord.* 

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity, *We thank you, Lord.* 

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice, *We thank you, Lord.* 

For the communion of saints, in all times and places, *We thank you, Lord.* 

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

#### Minister and People

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.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.* 

## THE PEACE

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*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. In an effort to observe social distancing when passing of The Peace, we ask that you please remain in your pew and exchange with those immediately near you or with a wave or bow.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

#### OFFERTORY HYMN #380 From all that dwell below the skies

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.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues with the Preface:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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Celebrant and People

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 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."

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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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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#### Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

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 for ever. *AMEN*.

#### 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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#### People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

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.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN #321 My God, thy table now is spread

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant:Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,People:Therefore let us keep the feast.

A period of silence is kept.

## THE FRACTION ANTHEM

People and Celebrant

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THE FINAL	A HYMN #397 "Now thank we all our G	od!" Nun danket alle Gott
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Celebrant <b>People</b>	Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the pow Thanks be to God.	er of the Spirit.
POSTLUDE	Voluntary in C	John Travers (1703-1758)

### 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 are given to the glory of God and in celebration of their 57<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of **by Lucetta and Mario Savinelli.**

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.

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### SPECIAL MINISTERS

Thanksgiving Day, 10:00 am: D. Kraus, A. Wrazien (Altar Guild); TBD (Ushers); A. Guthrie (Crucifer); C. Winn, S. Sollami (Lectors); M. Baccoli (Intercessor); TBD (Counters).

**\*Servers are needed at every service:** Readers, intercessors (prayers of the people), ushers, and coffee hour hosts are needed on a regular basis. Sign-up sheets are located in Israel lounge. If you are interested in serving, please contact Mother Barnes. **Training and re-training will be offered beginning in September.** Stay tuned for more information.

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

Welcome to St. Luke's! We are happy to offer in-person services, and continue live streaming and zoom gatherings from St. Luke's. Please join us on our Facebook page for the streaming of the services. Please note that for all in-person worship, Diocesan Covid-19 polices are still in effect.

\*\*(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.)

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

► For a full listing or our weekly offerings, please visit the <u>"This Week at St.</u> <u>Luke's page"</u> on our website.

► Our latest edition of the St. Luke's Newsletter is hot off the press. Click here to see the <u>NOVEMBER 2022</u> edition or go to the newsletter tab on our parish website.

## **Christian Education and Formation**

▶ Intergenerational: Pilgrimage to the Palestine of Jesus: On Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> following coffee hour (approx.. 12:45PM), Mother Barnes and Mother Liz will offer a presentation at St. Luke's on their recent study pilgrimage to Jerusalem and their course at St. George's College. The program will include photos and stories from their trip and insights into the landscapes and narratives of Jesus and the three Abrahamic faiths that share this common region. The presentation will also be offered at St. Paul's, Montrose on Sunday, December 11 at 1:00PM.

#### ► Children and Youth

**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.

**Sunday School**: St. Luke's uses the **GODLY PLAY**, a Montessori-based curriculum with our younger children, ages five to ten years old. Sunday School is held at 9:30 AM every Sunday, except the first Sunday of the month.

**Youth Confirmation Class** – Our Youth Confirmation program is underway, with the launch of our yearlong confirmation program for our youth (ages 11-16) having been on Oct. 2 at 4PM in Kreitler Hall. We will be meeting monthly on the first Sunday of each month, October 2022 –May 2023. We are using the book, "My Faith, My Life", a Teen's Guide to the Episcopal Church. This program will preparation our older youth for confirmation next June. In subsequent years, we will be launching a new youth program "J2A: Journey to Adulthood in order to offer ongoing spiritual formation which allows our youth to adequately meet the needs of young people in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. For more information, to enroll your child, or to learn more about serving in any of our Sunday school or youth programs, please see Mother Barnes or email her at <a href="mailto:mthrbarnes@gmail.com">mthrbarnes@gmail.com</a> or Rick Ammenhauser at <a href="mailto:imgold67@aol.com">imgold67@aol.com</a>

**Family Eucharist** is held on the first Sunday of the month. The children and youth play a direct role in the worship service by serving as ushers, acolytes and lectors.

# ► Adult

Advent - "Journeying the Way of Love" The Way of Love: On Wednesdays following the midweek Eucharist, Mother Barnes will offer a short lunchtime Bible study using the Way of Love Advent resources from the Episcopal Church. This 4-week study will explore the first two chapters of the Gospel of Luke as we await the coming of Christ and help us understanding how we can live the <u>Way of Love</u> as individuals, as families and friends, as a community, and out in the world. Advent calendars: Advent calendars are available in the rear of the church. This year's calendars accompany the "Journeying the Way of Love" curriculum and offer daily suggestions for engaging in the seven practices that encompass the Way of Love: turn, learn, pray, worship, bless, go, and rest. The calendar can also be used as a standalone resource–keep it at your desk or on your fridge and refer to it every day!

Lenten Retreat at Holy Cross Monastery - In March (March 21-24, 2023) a parish Lenten retreat is planned Holy Cross Monastery in the New York Hudson Valley. The suggested donation for the three days is \$330 per person which will cover all lodging, program costs, and meals including breakfast and dinner the day of departure. <u>Space is extremely limited and filling up fast!</u> Please contact Mother Barnes ASAP to reserve a spot. Scholarship for those in need is available upon written request.



**Centering Prayer Group**: Each Thursday evening at 5:30PM an ongoing weekly Centering Prayer group meets. Centering Prayer is a contemplative form of prayer geared toward the cultivation of interior silence or "centering." This form of prayer invites one to enter into a deeper relationship with God by being open and receptive to the presence and action of God in our lives. No prior experience is necessary. For more information, contact Mother Barnes at mthrbarnes@gmail.com or call the parish office.

► St. Luke's Cleaning and Greening of the Church: We will gather on Sunday, December 18, 2022 following the 10:00 Eucharist Coffee Hour (approximately 12 Noon) to decorate the church for Christmas. All are warmly welcome at this festive and fun event.

▶ Women of St. Luke's Christmas Gala Luncheon: The Women of St. Luke's will host their Christmas Luncheon in the parish's Kreitler Hall on Saturday December 10, 2022 from noon to 3:00PM. The luncheon will be catered by Cooper's with your choice of three entrees: Sautéed Chicken Strips, Roast Stuffed Pork, or Broiled Orange Haddock. The dinner will include soup (Crab Bisque or Potato) a garden salad, potato, vegetable, and dessert. The festivities begin with a cocktail hour at 12:00PM with lunch served at 1:00PM. There will be entertainment, favors, door prizes and a cookie table, too. The cost is \$25.00pp and reservations are due by December 4, 2022 to Kathy Selemba or Robin O'Hearn.

► Lackawanna County Prison Christmas Project For more than 20 years Anna Young was a dedicated volunteer in the Lackawanna County Prison and every Christmas she spearheaded a project to ensure that each inmate and staff member received a goody bag. Ms. Young is now in a nursing home and the community would like to honor her by continuing her Christmas giving. St. Luke's is participating in the program by collecting items that will be included in the "goody bags" and we ask that you would consider donating some of the listed items, or if you would prefer, you can make a financial contribution and the items will be purchased on your behalf. For security reasons, only the listed items can be included in the goody bags; do not stray from the list. Acceptable items include individual sized chewy trail mix, rice krispy bars, cookies, pop tarts, goldfish, cheez-its, skittles, starburst, Hershey's miniatures, Cup-O-Soups, kind bars, and mini muffins. Our goal is to provide 800+ goody bags; the list will be updated if other items are added. During the week of December 19th, we will gather to pack the bags for delivery to the prison later in the month. To make a monetary gift, or if you have any questions, please see Mother Barnes or Sharon Sollami.

# Upcoming Holiday Concerts at St. Luke's

#### ► A Koliada Christmas from Eastern Europe, Arcadia Chorle Saturday Evening, December 3, 2022 at 7:30PM

Celebrate the season of Koliada, when friends and family come together to sing carols from Christmas to Epiphany. This joyous concert includes music from Eastern European countries including Russia, Poland, and Latvia, with a special focus on Ukrainian carols.

General admission: \$15, Seniors: \$12, Students free *Tickets available at the door or purchase tickets online here.* 

#### ► A Lyric Consort Christmas

Friday Evening, December 16, 2022, 8PM

An evening of music for the season ranging from jubilant to introspective, offered amid candlelight and the white marble of beautiful St. Luke's. After an opening half of music offering scenes from the Bethlehem story, we share favorite carol arrangements and art music. Works of Arvo Part, Hugo Distler, Francis Poulenc, Herbert Howells, John Rutter and more.

General Admission \$10.00, 18 and under free, *Tickets available at the door* 



# ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH "In the heart of things"

The Rev'd Rebecca A. Barnes, Rector

# Ms. Maria Zengion, Organist and Choirmaster

The Vestry Mickey Baccoli, (2025—Senior Warden), Rick Ammenhauser (2024 —Junior Warden), Jane Merolla (2023), Kathy Selemba (2025—Clerk), Francis McMullen (2024), Bernard Ott (2025), Vacancy (2024), Sharon Sollami (2023), and Amanda Wrazien (2023).

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