



SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sung Holy Eucharist Rite I Saturday, 5PM
The Reverend Doctor Tyler J. Parry, Priest-in-Charge

Our Mission Statement:

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

The First Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2025

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

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.*

All stand as the procession enters the nave.

THE GREAT LITANY

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

The People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit.

THE FIRST READING Deuteronomy 26:1-11

WHEN 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16

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HE WHO dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
 abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
2 He shall say to the LORD,
 "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
 my God in whom I put my trust."
9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
 and the Most High your habitation,
10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
 neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
 to keep you in all your ways.
12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
 lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

THE SECOND READING Romans 10:8b-13

“THE WORD is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

AFTER his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,

to protect you,'

and

'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

All sit.

Father Parry

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THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

The Ministers and the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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, Eucharistic Prayer 1

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.
A period of silence is kept.*

Then may be sung or said
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

THE FRACTION

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy 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. The Celebrant will place the consecrated host in the palm of your hand; a Eucharistic minister will then offer you the common cup. We ask that you do not intinct (dip the bread in the wine). If you wish, the Eucharistic minister will intinct for you. If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward to receive a blessing. To show that you wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

These prayers over the people are an ancient form of blessing, said in Lent. When the Celebrant invites us to do so, we kneel or bow our heads, and pray in silence.

Celebrant Bow down before the Lord. GRANT, ALMIGHTY GOD, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE DISMISSAL

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 Candle beside the Aumbry in which the Blessed Sacrament is reserved has been given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Judith Scott Hehn by Carole Guzzi.

SPECIAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, 5:00pm: Keyholder – K. DeSanto; Altar Guild – L. Savinelli, M. Savinelli; Ushers – M. Savinelli, A. DeSanto; Crucifer and Acolyte – D. Kraus; Lector – K. DeSanto; Intercessor – N/A; Chalice Bearer – D. Kraus

Sunday, 10:00am: Keyholder – TBD; Altar Guild – TBD; Ushers – TBD; Crucifer and Acolyte – A. Guthrie; Lectors – M. Baccoli, M. Hudak-Huvaneers; Intercessor – N/A; Chalice Bearer – D. Kraus

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Lenten Offerings for Music and Maintenance – On the table in the back of the nave, please find envelopes labeled for special Lenten offerings to support our music and maintain our buildings. Your offerings may be placed in the offering plate and are greatly appreciated. To make an online offering, you may securely access Tithely using the QR code to visit stlukescranton.org/donate.



7PM Fridays during Lent – Stations of the Cross and Compline - Join us Friday evenings in Lent for a devotional Stations of the Cross followed by Compline.

Our Livestream is LIVE! View services from St. Luke's live on our Facebook page, or by subscribing to our new YouTube channel via this QR code. Livestream information and service leaflets can also be found on our website at stlukescranton.org/livestream.



The Daughters of the King Service Project – Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through the Lenten season, the Daughters of the King will be collecting gently used foundational garments (i.e. bras) and new underwear (with tags) for women in need. Please place your donation in the blue bin at the back of the nave.

10AM Saturday, March 15 – In-Person Safe Church Training at St. Mark's Moscow

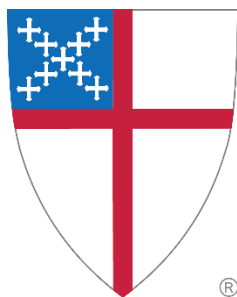
If you are in need of Safe Church training to serve on the Vestry, Altar Guild, with children, or as a keyholder at St. Luke's, you can attend this in-person training session to be certified for three years. Use the QR code to register online.



1PM Tuesday, March 18 – On March 18th we will be hosting our monthly Friends of the Poor Satellite Food Pantry. If you are in need or know someone in need, or would like to volunteer to help with the Food Pantry, please contact Sharon Sollami.

Easter Basket Donations - St. Luke's will again be collecting Easter Baskets to be distributed by the Friends of the Poor. Last year, with our help, Friends of the Poor distributed 3,200 baskets. Baskets must be wrapped in clear cellophane and can include stuffed animals, candy, and small toys. Baskets for teens might include lotions, lip gloss, etc. The deadline for donating a basket is Sunday, April 14, 2025. There will be a table in Kreitler Hall where your donation can be left. If you have any questions, please see Sharon Sollami.

Free Little Library - The Free Little Library in the Warren Memorial Garden is in need of books. Donations can be put directly in the library as space allows, or can be added to the tote in the coat closet in Israel Lounge.



Holy Eucharist (Said) Saturdays 5:00pm

Followed by Coffee Hour in Kreitler Hall the first Saturday of the month.

Holy Eucharist (Sung) Sundays 11:00am

Followed by Coffee Hour in Kreitler Hall every Sunday.

The First Sunday of each month we offer a "Family Eucharist" with special participation by our youth. All other Sundays, Sunday School is offered for younger children at 9:30am.

The Reverend Doctor Tyler J. Parry, Priest-in-Charge

Maria Zengion, Organist and Choirmaster

The Vestry

Mickey Baccoli, (Senior Warden), Rick Ammenhauser (Junior Warden), Amanda Wrazien (Clerk),
Thomas Hoppel (Treasurer), Kim DeSanto, Anne Cianfichi, and Diane Kraus

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