



St. Luke's Episcopal Church

The Rev. Dr. Tyler J. Parry, Priest-in-Charge

Our Mission Statement:

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



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 4, 2025

Sung Holy Eucharist Rite II, with Baptism

11:00am Sunday

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

SUNDAY SUNG LITURGY OF THE DAY

Mass Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

*The Musicians of St. Luke's
Meredith Hudak, Alto and Max Roche, Baritone
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.



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 Christ lag in Todesbanden BWV 625

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #492 Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

Finnian

All stand, as able.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O GOD, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit.

THE FIRST READING Acts 9:1-6, 7-20

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

SAUL, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were

open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 30

Exaltabo te, Domine

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Sung by the choir

I WILL exalt you, O LORD,
because you have lifted me up *
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

² O LORD my God, I cried out to you, *
and you restored me to health.

³ You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴ Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; *
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

⁵ For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, *
his favor for a lifetime.

⁶ Weeping may spend the night, *
but joy comes in the morning.

⁷ While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be disturbed. *
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

⁸ Then you hid your face, *
and I was filled with fear.

⁹ I cried to you, O LORD; *
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

¹⁰ "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? *
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

¹¹ Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; *
O LORD, be my helper."

¹² You have turned my wailing into dancing; *
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

¹³ Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; *
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

THE SECOND READING Revelation 5:11-14

Reader A reading from the Revelation to John.

I LOOKED, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #305 Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

Rosedale

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 21:1-19

All standing, as able.

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

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

JESUS showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he

was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord.

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

HOMILY

All sit.

Father Parry

THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY

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The Priest, parents, Godparents, and child will move to the baptismal font. A candle will be lit from the paschal candle and given to a designated individual.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Sofia Estevez Leavitt

Parents: Jacqueline Estevez and William Edgar Leavitt, III

Godparents: Nina Astillero, April Roldan, and Leon Zhou

The Celebrant says

The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

We present Sofia to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer **I do.**

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer **I do.**

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer **I do.**

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for this person, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptism

The Celebrant will sprinkle water on the child

Sophia, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

The Celebrant will make the sign of the cross with oil on the child's forehead

Sophia, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

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

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

OFFERTORY HYMN #186 **Christ lay in death's strong bands** *Christ lag in todesbanden*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer B

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SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS **S128**

THE GREAT AMEN **S146**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Traditional)* **S119**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

THE FRACTION ANTHEM **S165**

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.

ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION O Holy City, Seen of John

Brother James' Air arr. Roger Price

*O holy city, seen of John,
where Christ, the Lamb, doth reign,
within whose four-square walls shall come
no night, nor need, nor pain,
and where the tears are wiped from eyes
that shall not weep again!*

*Give us, O God, the strength to build
the city that hath stood
too long a dream, whose laws are love,
whose ways are brotherhood,
and where the sun that shineth is
God's grace for human good.*

*Already in the mind of God
that city riseth fair;
lo how its splendor challenges
the souls that greatly dare,
yea, bids us seize the whole of life
and build its glory there.*



Detail from the Ghent Altarpiece – Hubert and Jan van Eyck (c.1432)

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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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.*

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.

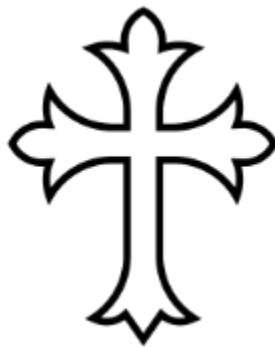
THE FINAL HYMN #182 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Truro

EASTER DISMISSAL

S175

POSTLUDE Jesu Christus, unser Heiland Heinrich Scheidemann (ca. 1595-1663)



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 Francis McMullen by Maria Zengion.

The Paschal Candle is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of The Rev. Lester E. Stephenson by the Stephenson family.



SPECIAL MINISTERS:

Sunday, 11:00am: Altar Guild – D. Kraus, TBD; Ushers – TBD, TBD; Crucifer and Acolyte – A. Guthrie; Lectors – N. Astillero; A. Roldan; Intercessor – L. Zhou; Chalice Bearer – M. Baccoli

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Easter Flower/Memorial Garden Spring Workday, Saturday May 10, 10am-12pm – Next Saturday from 10am-12pm we will be seeking some extra helping hands to transfer the bulbs of our beautiful Easter flowers into paper bags for parishioners to take home for their gardens. We will also be cleaning up the garden outside and doing some inside cleaning on the Parish House second floor. All are welcome and appreciated!

12:10pm Wednesday Healing Eucharist – On Wednesday, April 30, our 12:10pm Wednesday Healing Eucharist resumed. Please join us for this comforting Said service including anointing and prayers for healing.

Holy Hike Saturday, May 17, 10:00am – Join us for our next Holy Hike on the North Pocono Trail Association trails, with parking available at Old Mill Park on Market Street in Moscow. This fairly easy trail runs through hemlocks and along Roaring Brook.

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.

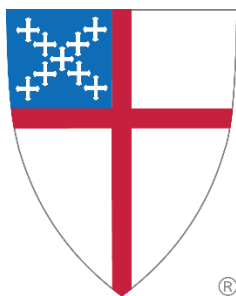


Youtube Channel

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Said Holy Eucharist Saturdays 5:00pm

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

Sung Holy Eucharist Sundays 11:00am

Followed by Coffee Hour in Kreidler 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.

Said Holy Eucharist Wednesdays 12:10pm

with prayers and anointing for healing

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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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