

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 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 9-10, 2025

Said Holy Eucharist, Rite II 5:00pm Saturday

Sung Holy Eucharist, Rite II 11:00am Sunday

SATURDAY SAID LITURGY OF THE DAY

Headings marked with an asterisk (*) Sunday only; Hymns are omitted and those portions of the liturgy designated to be sung are said. "BCP" with a page number refers to The Book of Common Prayer.

SUNDAY SUNG LITURGY OF THE DAY

Mass Setting: Community Mass Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

The Musicians of St. Luke's

Max Roche, Tenor

Christopher Gallo, Bass

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 Voluntary

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #709 O God of Bethel

Dundee

All stand, as able.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP page 355

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP page 355

ALMIGHTY GOD, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

*THE GLORIA Proulx

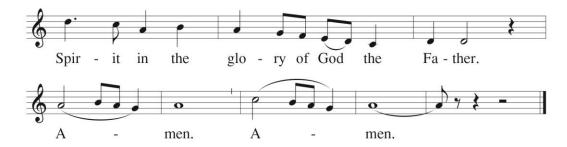
GLORY to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

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





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

GRANT TO US, LORD, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit.

THE FIRST READING Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

THE VISION OF ISAIAH SON OF AMOZ, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the LORD,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the LORD;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,

or of lambs, or of goats.

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When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile;

incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--

I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed festivals

my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,

I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands,

I will hide my eyes from you;

even though you make many prayers,

I will not listen;

your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;

remove the evil of your doings

from before my eyes;

cease to do evil,

learn to do good;

seek justice,

rescue the oppressed,

defend the orphan,

plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out,

says the LORD:

though your sins are like scarlet,

they shall be like snow;

though they are red like crimson,

they shall become like wool.

If you are willing and obedient,

you shall eat the good of the land;

but if you refuse and rebel,

you shall be devoured by the sword;

for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*Sung by the choir

- THE LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; *
 he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, * God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; * before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above * to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, *
 those who have made a covenant with me
 and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; * for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
 "O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
 for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; * your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God, * lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; * but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."

THE SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Reader A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

NOW FAITH is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has

foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*SEQUENCE HYMN #635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee Wer nur den lieben Gott

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 12:32-40

All standing, as able.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JESUS SAID to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON Father Parry

All sit.

THE NICENE CREED

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All stand, as able.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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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 (Please See Insert)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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 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 Priest offers the comfortable words.

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 #317 This is the hour of banquet

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

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*SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Proulx



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*THE GREAT AMEN Proulx



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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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Proulx



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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 your hand; a Eucharistic minister will then offer you the common cup. You may receive the wine, intinct (dip the bread in the wine), or the Eucharistic minister can 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 His Moste Holy Lyfe

Words: Thomas Cranmer (1489-1556) Music: Carlton T. Russell

Almighty God, who hast given thy Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life. Amen.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from receiving Holy Communion.

MY JESUS, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. *Amen*.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE BLESSING

*THE POST-COMMUNION HYMN #68 Rejoice! rejoice believers

Llangloffen

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*POSTLUDE Voluntary

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*.

SPECIAL MINISTERS:

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

Sunday, 11:00am: Altar Guild – D. Lewis, D. Kraus; Ushers – R. Ammenhauser, TBD; Crucifer and Acolyte – TBD; Lectors – M. Smith; L. Fanelli Intercessor – E. Rayburn; Chalice Bearer – D. Kraus

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Voce Angeli Benefit Concert – Saturday, August 16, 7:00PM – Join NEPA's all-female singing group Voce Angeli here at St. Luke's for their annual concert, "Old, New, Borrowed, Blue." Free will donation; all proceeds benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of NEPA.

Ronald McDonald House Soda-and-Soup Tabs Collection – The St. Elizabeth Princess of Hungary Chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King is collecting pull-tabs from soda, soup, and other cans to benefit the Ronald McDonald House through their recycling program. Please bring in your tabs and drop them in the container at the back of the nave.

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends - St. Luke's will once again be participating in Boscov's Friends Helping Friends scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, 2025. You can purchase the shopping passes in advance for \$5.00. The pass then entitles you to a 25% discount on almost all merchandise for the one-day Boscov's sale. All proceeds remain with St. Luke's for the general fund. The passes will soon be available from Vestry members and a basket with the passes will be available on the table in the rear of the parish. We'll be using the honor system, so please leave \$5 for each pass you wish to purchase. You may want to purchase a pass for a friend or take some extras to sell. Should you have any questions, please see Lucetta Savinelli.

Memorial Bricks for the Memorial Garden Fundraiser – From Pentecost through August, St. Luke's is offering the opportunity to donate a brick of remembrance or thanksgiving to be incorporated into our Memorial Garden pathway. Use the QR code to place an order online or pick up an order brochure in the back of the nave. If you have any questions, please see Diane Kraus or email her at dianekraus07@gmail.com.



Safety Net Grocery Collection – Our summer collection for Safety Net begins with the shopping bags hung at the end of each pew. Please take one home to help replenish Safety Net's emergency food resources for those with urgent needs. Return your filled bag to the back of the nave before the end of August.

FOTP Back to School Supplies - Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies that will be distributed by the Friends of the Poor later this week. Your contributions helped families meet the sometimes overwhelming costs associated with the start of the new school year. Together, we went beyond what was expected by filling the barrel to the brim. Thank you!

Sunday School Volunteer Opportunity – As we express our gratitude to Rick Ammenhauser for 15 years of service in our Sunday School, we are now also seeking a Sunday School volunteer to assist Ken Wrazien with our young parishioners. Please see Father Parry, Rick, Ken, or another member of the Vestry if you feel called to this ministry. Safe Church requirements must be fulfilled.

SACRED GROUND: A Film and Reading-based Dialogue on Race and

Faith is being offered on Zoom beginning August 25. Full Communion Sacred Ground is an 11-part series built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary films and readings that focus on Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories, and the stories of our families. Join Episcopalians, Lutherans,



Moravians, and others to learn how race continues to shape our nation and how we might respond in faith, lament, and action. The program is free but it requires an investment of your time and heart. Please follow the QR code to learn more about Sacred Ground. Contact the Rev. Maria Tjeltveit at sacredground.beth@gmail.com if you have questions or would like to register for the course.



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Said Holy Eucharist Saturdays 5:00pm

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

Sung Holy Eucharist 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.

Said Holy Eucharist Wednesdays 12:10pm

with prayers and anointing for healing

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

Maria Zengion, Organist and Choirmaster

The Vestry

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

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