



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 FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

August 6, 2025

Sung Holy Eucharist, Rite II

7:00pm Wednesday

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

SUNG LITURGY OF THE DAY

Mass Setting: Robert Powell (1932-2025)

The Musicians of St. Luke's

Meredith Hudak, Soprano

Rebecca Elfman, Alto

Beatrice Chindemi, Alto

Dr. Joshua Harper, Bariton

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 #7 Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Ratisbon

All stand, as able.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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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

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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.

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, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit.

THE FIRST READING Exodus 34:29-35

Reader A reading from the Book of Exodus.

MOSES CAME DOWN from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

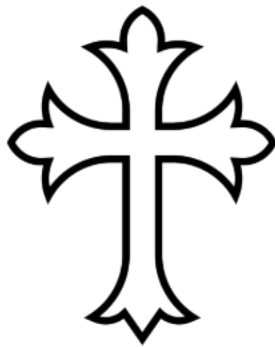
PROCLAIM the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.



THE SECOND READING 2 Peter 1:13-21

Reader A reading from the second letter of Peter.

I THINK IT RIGHT, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN #134 O Light of Light

Jesu dulcis memoria

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 9:28-36

All standing, as able.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JESUS TOOK WITH HIM Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and

they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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.

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 Form IV

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Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Jordan, Frank, Elaine, Lynn, Mary Jane, Robin, Heather, Chase, Dave, Philomena, Kyle, Diane, Jeanette, Rick, Mario, Canon Bill+, Charles, Todd, Scott, Bill, Joann, Karen, Rylee, Ricky, Don, Margaret, Marty, Anne, Gail, Father Shearer, William, Brendan, and Albert. Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially John, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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 #129 Christ upon the mountain peak

Mousley

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

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SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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THE GREAT AMEN

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THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Traditional)*

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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.

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 Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies
Christ the true the only light
Sun of Righteousness arise,
triumph ov'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high be near,
Daystar in my heart appear.*

*Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee
Joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
Till they inward light impart
Glad my eyes and warm my heart.*

*Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me Radiancy Divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.*

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 #137 O wonderful type! O vision fair

Wareham

DISMISSAL

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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:

Altar Guild – TBD, D. Kraus; Ushers – TBD, TBD; Thurifer – D. Kraus; Crucifer and Acolyte – D. Kraus; Lectors – K. Desanto; R. Beal; Intercessor – C. Winn; Chalice Bearer – TBD



Pietro Perugino: *Collegio del Cambio (Trasfigurazione)* ca. 1500

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

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 in August. The online sessions will be every other Monday, with opportunities for an evening or afternoon gathering. The focus of the program allows participants to learn the multiracial history of our country that may have missed growing up and now school teachers are not supposed to teach.



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. There are about 2 hours of film-watching and reading between each session. Each person will be part of the larger group and a small dialogue circle. Participants are urged to attend each session, to build trust and depth in the circles. Sacred Ground will challenge and reward you, as we work toward becoming Beloved Community. 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 a preview session (Aug. 11, 2-3 or 7-8 pm ET) or the full course.

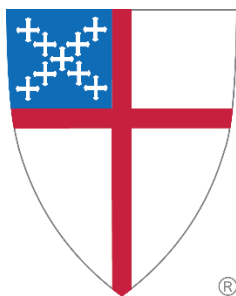


YouTube Channel

View St. Luke's Livestream!



Facebook Page



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), Thomas Hoppel (Treasurer),
Diane Kraus (Clerk), Kim DeSanto, Anne Cianfichi and Laura Craig

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