



# St. Luke's Episcopal Church

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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 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 25, 2025

**Evening Prayer, Rite II**

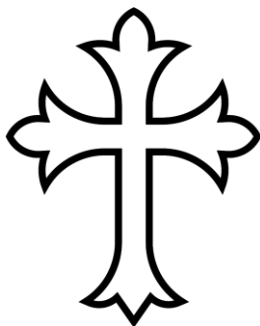
5pm Saturday

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

SAID LITURGY OF THE DAY  
Evening Prayer, Rite II

*Diane Kraus, Officiant*

“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.*

*The People stand in body or in spirit as the Officiant enters the nave.*

## THE OPENING SENTENCE

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## CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP page 116

*The Officiant 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 Officiant stands and says*

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

## THE INVITATORY

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| <i>Officiant</i> | O God, make speed to save us.         |
| <b>People</b>    | <b>O Lord, make haste to help us.</b> |

*Officiant and People*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Alleluia.

**O GRACIOUS LIGHT***Phos hilaron***BCP page 118***Read in unison.*

O GRACIOUS LIGHT,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

**PSALM 65***Te decet hymnus***BCP page 672***Read in unison.*

- YOU ARE TO BE PRAISED, O God, in Zion; \*  
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, \*  
because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, \*  
but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose  
and draw to your courts to dwell there! \*  
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,  
by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,  
O God of our salvation, \*  
O Hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; \*  
they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, \*  
the roaring of their waves,  
and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; \*  
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;  
you make it very plenteous; \*  
the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, \*  
for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; \*  
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, \*  
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, \*  
and the hills be clothed with joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,  
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; \*  
let them shout for joy and sing.

*At the end of the Psalms is said*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## THE LESSONS

### THE FIRST READING Joel 2:23-32

*Reader* A reading from the prophet Joel.

O CHILDREN OF ZION, be glad  
and rejoice in the LORD your God;  
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,  
he has poured down for you abundant rain,  
the early rain and the later rain, as before.  
The threshing floors shall be full of grain,  
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.  
I will repay you for the years  
that the swarming locust has eaten,  
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,  
my great army, which I sent against you.  
You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,  
and praise the name of the LORD your God,  
who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,  
and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again  
be put to shame.

Then afterward

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;  
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
your old men shall dream dreams,  
and your young men shall see visions.

Even on the male and female slaves,  
in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day  
of the LORD comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved; for in  
Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and  
among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

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| <i>Reader</i> | The Word of the Lord.    |
| <b>People</b> | <b>Thanks be to God.</b> |

**THE SONG OF MARY**      *Magnificat*  
*All stand in body or in spirit. Read in unison.*

**BCP page 119**

MY SOUL proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \*  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.  
From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.  
He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
in every generation.  
He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.  
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
and has lifted up the lowly.  
He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he has sent away empty.  
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
to Abraham and his children for ever.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## **THE SECOND READING    2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18**

*Reader*            A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.

I AM ALREADY being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

## **THE SONG OF SIMEON**

*Nunc dimittis*

**BCP page 120**

*All stand in body or in spirit. Read in unison.*

LORD, you now have set your servant free \*  
to go in peace as you have promised;  
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \*  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:  
A Light to enlighten the nations, \*  
and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL    Luke 18:9-14**

*All standing, in body or in spirit.*

*Reader*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**People**            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

JESUS told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

*Reader*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord.  
**People**            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **HOMILY**

**Father Parry, read by Diane Kraus**

*All sit.*

## **THE APOSTLES CREED**

**BCP page 120**

*All stand, in body or in spirit.*

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

## **THE PRAYERS**

*The People stand or kneel*

*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.  
**People**            **And also with you.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

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

**BCP page 121**

*Officiant and People*

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.

**SUFFRAGES A**

*Read responsively.*

*Officiant* Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
**All And grant us your salvation.**  
*Officiant* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
**All Let your people sing with joy.**  
*Officiant* Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**All For only in you can we live in safety**  
*Officiant* Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
**All And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
*Officiant* Let your way be known upon earth;  
**All Your saving health among all nations.**  
*Officiant* Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**All Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
*Officiant* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**All And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP page 235

ALMIGHTY AND EVER-ASTING GOD, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## A COLLECT FOR THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

BCP page 124

LORD JESUS, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. *Amen.*

## A PRAYER FOR MISSION

BCP page 124

KEEP WATCH, DEAR LORD, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*

*The Officiant and People may offer up prayers of intercession, supplication, and thanksgiving aloud or in silence.*

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

BCP page 101

*Officiant and People*

ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*At this time the Offering will be collected*

### A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

BCP page 102

*All stand, in body or in spirit*

ALMIGHTY GOD, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

**People** **Amen.**

### 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 in over the aumbry in which the Blessed Sacrament is reserved is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robin and Briton Parry by the Parry Family.*

*The flowers on the high altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robin and Briton Parry by the Rev. Dr. Tyler J. Parry.*

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**SPECIAL MINISTERS:** Diane Kraus, Verger; Altar Guild: L. Savinelli, M. Savinelli;

Ushers: L. Savinelli, M. Savinelli; Lectors: K. DeSanto, TBD

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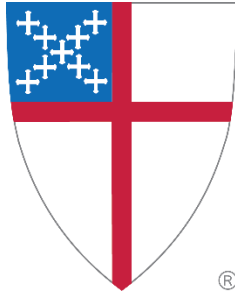


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**Said Holy Eucharist Saturdays 5:00pm**

*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.*

**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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