



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 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 29-30, 2025

Said Holy Eucharist, Rite II

5:00pm Saturday

Sung Holy Eucharist, Rite II

11:00am Sunday

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

SATURDAY SAID LITURGY OF THE DAY

The Rev. Dr. Tyler J. Parry, Celebrant

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

The Rev. Dr. Tyler J. Parry, Celebrant

Setting:

Communion Service in D Minor
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The Musicians of St. Luke's:

Gabriella Tolerico, Soprano

Meredith Hudak, Alto

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**

Gottes Sohn ist kommen BWV 600

God's Son has come

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #60 Creator of the stars of night**

All stand, in body or in spirit.

Conditore alme siderum

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant reads the following sentence

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

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 Celebrant 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 Celebrant offers the comfortable words.

Holy God,
 Holy and Mighty,
 Holy Immortal One,
 Have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit.

THE FIRST READING

<i>Reader</i>	A reading from the prophet Isaiah.
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THE WORD that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come
 the mountain of the Lord's house
 shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
 and shall be raised above the hills;
 all the nations shall stream to it.
 Many peoples shall come and say,
 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
 to the house of the God of Jacob;
 that he may teach us his ways
 and that we may walk in his paths.'
 For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
 and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

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

PSALM 122

Laetatus sum

BCP page 779

**Sung by the choir*

Ivor Algernon Atkins (1869-1953)

I WAS GLAD when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."
2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
3 Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;
4 To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the Lord.
5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.
6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
"May they prosper who love you."
7 Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.
8 For my brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.
9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, *
I will seek to do you good."

THE SECOND READING

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

YOU KNOW what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

***SEQUENCE HYMN #11 Awake, my soul, and with the sun**

Morning Hymn

THE HOLY GOSPEL

All standing, in body or in spirit.

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

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

JESUS said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore 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, in body or in spirit.

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

Intervessor As salvation draws near, let us be awake, alert, and watchful for the One who has come and will come into our lives, saying: Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the Church: especially for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Kevin our bishop and Audrey, bishop of Central Pennsylvania, that while surrounded by the darkness of selfishness, jealousy and greed, we may live as children of light and show God's love to those around us. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For the people of our companion diocese of Kajo Keji in South Sudan, that God may strengthen, comfort, and hold them in safekeeping during this time of trial. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that in our worship and work we may live together in joyful hope. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For peace in all troubled places, that God will teach the hearts of all the human family to turn swords into plows and resources for war into healing and development. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For all who are burdened by the cares of life, that they may always be ready to welcome Christ wherever he reveals himself. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For all who are busy and hurried, for refugees and travelers who are separated from homeland or family, for those who await God's healing & blessing, remembering especially Jordan, Frank, Elaine, Lynn, Mary Jane, Robin, Heather, Chase, Philomena, Jeanette, Mario, Canon Bill+, Scott, Margaret, Brendan, Albert, Bessie, Christine, Colleen, Melissa, John, Anne, and Josie that they may find God's care and compassion as others reach out to them. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For ourselves in this Advent time of waiting, that we may be thankful for all the blessings we enjoy and seek ways to share them with others. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For all those who have died, remembering especially Ricky and John, that they may walk in the light of the Lord. *Holy God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

In the communion of blessed Mary, the God-bearer, Blessed Luke, Andrew the Apostle and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

Celebrant O God of Jacob for whom we long, hear our prayers and keep us ever watchful, that when Christ our Savior comes, we may welcome him with joy and gladness. This we ask in his most holy Name. *Amen.*

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 in body or in spirit while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

***OFFERTORY ANTHEM Lord, Make Me to Know William Byrd (1540-1623)**

*Lord, make me to know thy ways, O Lord,
O Lord teach me thy paths, O Lord.
O lead me in thy truth, and teach me,
for thou art the God of my salvation.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer A*

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***SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS**

Sung by the choir

***THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

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***THE GREAT AMEN**

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THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Traditional)*

S119

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

***THE FRACTION ANTHEM**

Sung by the choir

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, grant us 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 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 Rejoice, Ye Shining Worlds on High**

William Billings (1746-1800)

*Rejoice, ye shining worlds on high
Behold the King of Glory nigh!
Who can this King of Glory be?
The mighty, mighty Lord, the Saviour's be.*

*Rais'ed from the dead he goes before;
He opens heav'ns eternal door,
To give his saints a blest abode
Near their Redeemer and their God.*

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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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 BLESSING

***THE FINAL HYMN #68 Rejoice! rejoice believers**

Llangloffen

DISMISSAL

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*POSTLUDE

Herr Christ, der einig Gotts Sohn II

Lord Christ, the Only Son of God

Heinrich Scheidemann (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 is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Milton and Daisy Appleyard Scott by Carole Scott Guzzi.



SPECIAL MINISTERS

Saturday, 5:00pm

Altar Guild: L. Savinelli, M. Savinelli
Ushers: L. Savinelli, M. Savinelli
Crucifer and Acolyte: D. Kraus
Lectors: K. DeSanto, TBD
Intercessor: K. DeSanto
Chalice Bearer: D. Kraus

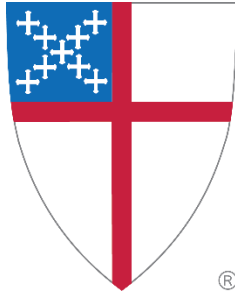
Sunday, 11:00am

Altar Guild: D. Lewis, D. Kraus
Ushers: R. Ammenhauser; B. Ott
Crucifer and Acolyte: TBD
Lectors: E. Rayburn; L. Fanelli
Intercessor: B. Ott
Chalice Bearer: TBD

Diane Kraus, Verger



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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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