

**St. Luke's Episcopal Church**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**13 September 2020 ✕ 10:00 A.M.**

Holy Eucharist

The Reverend Michael L. Delk, *Celebrant*  
The Reverend Allison Caudill, *Preacher*

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**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Organ Voluntary**

**“Trumpet Voluntary”  
James Layton, trumpet**

**John Stanley**

**The Opening Acclamation**

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*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**The Kyrie: S-88 in the Hymnal 1982**

**The Salutation & 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, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The First Lesson

## Genesis 50:15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 103:8-13

## Plainsong

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.

<sup>9</sup> He will not always accuse us, \*  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

<sup>10</sup> He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

<sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

<sup>12</sup> As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far has he removed our sins from us.

<sup>13</sup> As a father cares for his children, \*  
so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

## The Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant says*

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

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

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

*After the reading, the Celebrant says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

*Deacon or other leader*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy”

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition the People respond*

*Lord, have mercy.*

For *Justin*, the Archbishop of Canterbury, For *Michael*, our Presiding Bishop, for *Terry*, our own Bishop, for all bishops, for *Michael, Allison, Anne, Art, and Jim*, and other clergy, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust especially Donald our President, Andy our Governor, and Neil our Mayor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you,

O Lord.

For this *congregation*, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

**For Al, Alanna, Amy, Angela, Ann, Annie, Bethann, Barry, Bill, Brandt, Braxton, Bud, Charles, Christy, Dan, Dave, David, Diana, E.J., Elizabeth, Gene, Helga, Hugh, Ira, Jady, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Kailee, Kathy, Ken, Lacey, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Matt, Monica, Nancy, Natalia, Natalie, Nina (Nine-ah), Pam, Patricia, Paul, Phil, Phyllis, Rob, Ronald, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Walt, Whitney, Wynn; for the men and women of our armed forces, especially Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Steve,** we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, **especially Joey Feltes**, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, (*blessed Luke*) and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

*To you, O Lord our God.*

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect, or the following Doxology*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The Confession of Sin

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Said by all*

**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 Absolution

### The Peace

*All stand. The celebrant says to the people*

*People* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

“Like as the Father”

Luigi Cherubini

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant* It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here the Celebrant adds a Proper Preface*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

*Celebrant and people*

**Sanctus**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People      Christ has died.  
                 Christ is risen.  
                 Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day, bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Agnus Dei**

*Celebrant* Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

**People Have mercy on us.**

*Celebrant* Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

**People Have mercy on us.**

*Celebrant* Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

**People Grant us your peace.**

**Communion Anthem**

**“Messe Basse – Agnus Dei”**

**Gabriel Faure**



**All** 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 Dismissal**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Postlude**

**“Sonata in C - allegro”**

**Felix Mendelssohn**



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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

Our Wednesday morning Bible study Zoom, starting at 9:45, will resume its study of the Resurrection, led by Father Michael. Please check your email for the invite.

**Thursday Night Bible Study**

The Basics of the Bible Study continues on Thursday evenings with Mother Allison! We are using The Path to guide our study, but all you need is a Bible and access to the internet to join us. We are gathering every Thursday evening from 6:45-7:45 on Zoom to discuss the

foundational stories of our faith and to explore how these stories connect to our own journeys. Please follow this link on Thursdays at 6:45 to join us!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/284582639?pwd=bUZFYjRhd1lhUDNmck9sb0VYa1Budz09>

Meeting ID: 284-582-639

If prompted to enter a password, please enter our parish office phone number - 2458827

### **Bishops – Sunday 9am Class**

Please join us Sunday mornings for "Know Your Bishops." Our discussion group will be talking about prominent and history significant Episcopalian and Anglican Bishops.

For more information, email Dave Kirchinger at [episcopaliandave@gmail.com](mailto:episcopaliandave@gmail.com).

The link to the class is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86908725675> / Meeting ID: **869 0872 5675**

### **Centering Prayer**

Centering Prayer has gone from once a month to TWICE a month, every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. Join us on **September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6 – 7pm** on ZOOM until we can all join back in the Lyman Office.

Link to Centering Prayer Group:

<https://zoom.us/j/662061797?pwd=RVhkL2FWY3NEc204UHQweVovK3R5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 662-061-797

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### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**If you've had a birthday or anniversary over the past several weeks, or have one coming up in the weeks ahead,** please let Dawn know, [admin@stlukesanchorage.org](mailto:admin@stlukesanchorage.org). Let her know your birthday, or the date of your wedding anniversary and how many years you've been married, and we will offer a blessing over you during our recorded worship.

### **LAY PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY**

Pastoral care is a ministry provided by volunteer parishioners to individuals needing home, hospital, nursing home or rehabilitation facility visitations. Arrangements can be made for communion and meals as requested. All information is confidential unless you give permission to share with others.

**CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO LET US KNOW YOUR NEEDS.**

Reminder, if you do go to the hospital, let the hospital know your church affiliation or try to have your caregiver do so. Our ministry is here for you in time of need so remember to call the church office at 245-8827 or e-mail at [admin@stlukesanchorage.org](mailto:admin@stlukesanchorage.org)

*The Flowers on the Altar* are given by Ed & Barbara Staats in loving memory of her husband, Al Webb and his wife, Charlene Staats.

**In our prayers ... Al, Alanna, Amy, Angela, Ann, Annie, Bethann, Barry, Bill, Brandt, Braxton, Bud, Charles, Christy, Dan, Dave, David, Diana, E.J., Elizabeth, Gene, Helga, Hugh, Ira, Jady, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Kailee, Kathy, Ken, Lacey, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Matt, Monica, Nancy, Natalia, Natalie, Nina (Nine-ah), Pam, Patricia, Paul, Phil, Phyllis, Rob, Ronald, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Walt, Whitney, Wynn;** and our men and women serving in our armed forces and their families. We offer prayers of blessing and thanksgiving for all men and women serving in the armed services, especially these persons known to us: **Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Steve.** We pray that they have safe journeys and know the loving concern of friends and family. May God watch over them and grant them strength and courage to face perils which beset them.

**Readings for:**

**September 19 & 20:      Jonah 3:10 – 4:11; Psalm 145:1-8;  
   Philipians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16.**