

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
The 21st Sunday after Pentecost
25 October 2020 ✠ 10:00 A.M.

Holy Eucharist

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

THE WORD OF GOD

Organ Voluntary “These are the holy ten commandments” J. S. Bach

The Opening Acclamation Page 355

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

The Kyrie: S-91

The Salutation & Collect of the Day Page 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting 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.**

The Lesson

I Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1

Chant: Atwood

Beatus vir qui non abiit

¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

² Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with
leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

⁴ It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶ For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:34-46

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

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

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

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

After the reading, the Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Said by all, standing

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 III

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Terry, our Bishop, for **Michael, Allison, Anne, Art, and Jim**, our clergy and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Donald our President, Andy our Governor, and Neil & Greg our Mayors, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed, .., eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially **Al, Amy, Ann, Annie, Beecher, Bethann, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Carol, Charles, Christy, Cohen, Dave, David, Diana, Don, E.J., Elizabeth, Gail, Gene, Hugh, Ira, Jackie, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Karen, Kelly, Ken, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Mary, Matt, Mike, Monica, Nancy, Nina (Nine-ah), Pam, Patricia, Rob, Ronald, Sandy, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Virginia, Walt, Whitney, Wynn**; for the men and women of our armed forces, especially **Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Sinclair, Steve.**

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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

“If ye love me”

Thomas Tallis

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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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 people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to

be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [St. Luke, _____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 forever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

The Fraction Anthem

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

Communion Anthem “Lord, you give the great commission” Alec Wyton

The Post-Communion Prayer

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***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

**“Toccata in d minor”
James Layton, organ**

J. S. Bach



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Do you have questions about the Christian faith or the Episcopal Church? Join us next Sunday, at 11:15 AM for a Zoom meeting where you can share your questions.

To see our video go to :

<https://www.facebook.com/StLukesAnchorage/videos/246044036847885>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Free Coat Exchange

This is the 9th Annual Free Coat Exchange program that St. Luke's has participated in.

Ten years ago, Louisville business owner Ted Loebenberg turned the idea of giving winter coats away on the biggest shopping day of the year into an annual community event. This year the Free Coat Exchange returns on the day after Thanksgiving.

Last year, 4000 coats were collected and given to those in need. St. Luke's serves as a collection point. Through the generosity of St. Luke's parishioners, we have donated over 1000 coats during the past 9 years.

Because of the Pandemic protocol restrictions, this year presents a challenge with collection. We will still have a collection box in the 'ambulatory' handicap entrance of the church. But in addition, we now have a collection box on the back porch of the Lyman House office building. This porch is not locked, and is available anytime for a drop-off. **Last drop-off day is November 24th.**

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Our Wednesday morning Bible study Zoom, starting at 9:45, we will continue our study on the Letter of Paul to the Colossians, led by Father Michael. Please check your email for the invite.

Necrology Sign Up's

At the service(s) the weekend of **Oct. 31 & Nov. 1**, we will be celebrating All Saints Day. If you would like the name of a departed loved one read aloud during worship, please use this link, <https://forms.gle/BM1xVvg6TYxVYAiG7>, to sign up the name(s) you want read.

The last day to add names is 3:00 pm this Wednesday, October 28, 2020.

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>

Meeting ID: 284-582-639

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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 Kirchner at episcopaliandave@gmail.com.

The link to the class is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85144530030> / Meeting ID: **851 4453 0030**

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Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer is TWICE a month, every 2nd and 4th Tuesday. Join us on **October 27th from 6 – 7pm** on ZOOM until we can all join back in the Lyman Office.

Link to Centering Prayer Group: <https://zoom.us/j/85280543522>

Meeting ID: 852 8054 3522

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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. 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.

The Flowers on the Altar are given by Margaret Dry in loving memory of her father, Gene Johnson.

In our prayers ... **Al, Amy, Ann, Annie, Beecher, Bethann, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Carol, Charles, Christy, Cohen, Dave, David, Diana, Don, E.J., Elizabeth, Gail, Gene, Hugh, Ira, Jackie, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Karen, Kelly, Ken, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Mary, Matt, Mike, Monica, Nancy, Nina (Nine-ah), Pam, Patricia, Rob, Ronald, Sandy, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Virginia, 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, Sinclair, 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 Nov. 1: Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22;
All Saints' Day I John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12.**