

## SAINT LUKE CHURCH

A warm welcome to all who gather in the name of Christ this morning. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider Saint Luke Church.

Everyone is required to wear a mask in the church and during the service. Unvaccinated persons should maintain six feet social distance.

For your convenience, we offer *large print copies* of the Sunday bulletin and *individual sound enhancement devices* programmed to the frequency of our sound system.

Sharing of the Peace will be done in place and without contact. A nod toward the neighbor, a bow of the head, a wave or other signs of mutual spiritual respect can be used.

Offering will be taken during the service.

*Free parking* is available in the parking garage behind the church. Enter from Melrose St. (one block north of Belmont).

If there is anything else we can do to assist your worship experience, please let the ushers know.

SAINT LUKE CHURCH  
Summer 2021



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September 19, 2021

Sundays after Pentecost-Lectionary 25

PRAYER CONNECTION AND REFLECTION

*Time to reflect and pray individually as you prepare for worship*

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE ILL

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully hear our prayers and grant to your servants:

<i>Scott Jurkas</i>	<i>Abigail Zhang</i>	<i>Patricia Grunde</i>	<i>Janet Hagberg</i>	<i>Eve Scheffler</i>
<i>Christian Long</i>	<i>Kenneth Markworth</i>	<i>Jeanette Geweke</i>	<i>Judith Hoyer</i>	<i>Ruby Strohmayer</i>
<i>Rosemarie Morgen</i>	<i>Calvin Clements</i>	<i>Laurie Strohmayer</i>	<i>Dan Horton</i>	<i>Dallas Cronk</i>
<i>Tyler Hennigan</i>	<i>Mark Van Scharrel</i>	<i>Hayden Berthelot</i>	<i>Alex Rose</i>	<i>Donna Jitchotvisut</i>
<i>Logan Berdacker</i>	<i>Debbie Clark</i>	<i>Mariam Usmani</i>		

the help of your power, that illness may be turned into health and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ. Amen

FOR TEACHERS

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit, gives to one the word of knowledge, and to another the insight of wisdom, and to another the steadfastness of faith. We praise you for the gifts of grace and pray that by their teaching we may be led to a fuller knowledge of the truth we have seen in your Son Jesus, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Almighty God, we commit to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad:

*Nicholas Bakulinski* *Jeremy Strohmayer* *Dan McCarthy* *Lucas Kratz* *Preston Larson*

Defend them with your heavenly grace and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Give us, O God, the vision which can see your love in the world in spite of human failure. Give us the faith to trust your goodness despite our ignorance and weakness. Give us the knowledge that we may continue to pray with understanding hearts. And show us what each one of us can do to set forward the coming of the day of universal peace. Amen

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

TIME AFTR PENTECOST – LECTIONARY 25

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 • 9:30 AM

GATHERING

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*Sit* Prelude: “O God, thou faithful God”

Johannes Brahms

*Stand* Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.  
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,  
and by his authority, I therefore declare to you  
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Entrance Hymn

O Day of Rest and Gladness

O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light,  
O balm for care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright:  
on you the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,  
sing, "Holy, holy, holy," to the great God triune.

Today on weary nations the heav'nly manna falls;  
to holy convocations the silver trumpet calls,  
where gospel light is glowing with pure and radiant beams  
and living water flowing with soul refreshing streams.

New graces ever gaining from this our day of rest,  
we reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blest.  
We sing to you our praises, O Father, Spirit, Son;  
the church its voice upraises to you, blest Three in One.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray...

*The congregation responds: Amen*

WORD \_\_\_\_\_

Sit First Reading

Jeremiah 11:18-20

*The reading concludes: The word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 54

Save me, O God, by your name;  
in your might, defend my cause.

**Hear my prayer, O God;  
give ear to the words of my mouth.**

For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life,  
those who have no regard for God.

**Behold, God is my helper;  
it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

Render evil to those who spy on me;  
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

**I will offer you a freewill sacrifice  
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.**

For you have rescued me from every trouble,  
and my eye looks down on my enemies.

Second Reading

James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

*The reading concludes: The word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Stand Alleluia Verse

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

+ SAINT MARK 9:30-37 +

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit* Sermon

*Stand* Hymn of the Day

Loving Spirit

Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be—  
you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own,  
feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.

Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be—  
you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

Nicene Creed

**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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the  
virgin Mary and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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**

Prayers of Intercession

*After each petition:* Lord, listen to your children pray.

**Send us love, send us peace, send us grace.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

MEAL

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*Sit* Gathering of the Gifts

*Offering for the Congregation*

Anthem: "Built on a Rock"

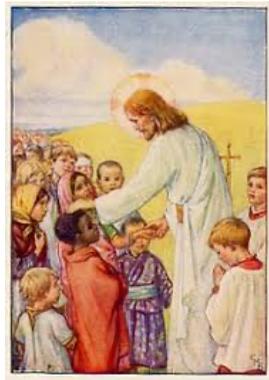
Built on a rock the church shall stand, even when steeples falling;  
crumbled have spires in ev'ry land, bells still are chiming and calling—  
calling the young and old to rest, calling the souls of those distressed,  
longing for life everlasting.

Surely, in temples made with hands God the Most High is not dwelling—  
high in the heav'ns his temple stands, all earthly temples excelling,  
Yet God who dwells in heav'n above deigns to abide with us in love,  
making our bodies his temple.

Christ builds a house of living stones: we are his own habitation;  
he fills our hearts, his humble thrones, granting us life and salvation.  
Where two or three will seek his face, he in their midst will show his grace,  
blessings upon them bestowing.

Yet in this house, an earthly frame, Jesus the children is blessing;  
 hither we come to praise his name, faith in our Savior confessing.  
 Jesus to us his Spirit sent, making with us his covenant,  
 granting his children the kingdom.

Through all the passing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are ringing,  
 many may come to hear your Word, who here this promise is bringing:  
 "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the world, my face shall see;  
 my peace I leave with you. Amen."



*Stand* Presentation of the Gifts

Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
 cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
 seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
 Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all, u - nite them with the

prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts; our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Words of Institution

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,

let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and**

**deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,**

**now and forever. Amen**

*Sit* Communion

*All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. At the invitation of an usher, please proceed to communion by the center aisle and return via the side aisles.*

Hymn

Thy Holy Wings

Thy holy wings, O Savior, spread gently over me,  
and let me rest securely through good and ill in thee.  
Oh, be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place,  
and let my ev'ry moment be lived within thy grace.

Oh, let me nestle near thee, within thy downy breast  
where I will find sweet comfort and peace within thy nest.  
Oh, close thy wings around me and keep me safely there,  
for I am but a newborn and need thy tender care.

Oh, wash me in the waters of Noah's cleansing flood.  
Give me a willing spirit, a heart both clean and good.  
Oh, take into thy keeping thy children great and small,  
and while me sweetly slumber, enfold us one and all.

SENDING \_\_\_\_\_

*Stand* Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Blessing

Prayer for Peace

Recession

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "Canzone quarta"

Girolamo Frescobaldi

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Stephen Bouman, *Presiding Minister*

Dale Hoiberg, *Assisting Minister*

Maia Surace, *Cantor*

Don Mead, *Organist*

# NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## September 19, 2021



Today

Sundays after Pentecost – Lectionary 25

Our long liturgical season of growth continues. On the altar, the pale green shoots begin their steady transformation into the lush growth and vibrant colors this season will eventually produce. As the strips are added across the altar, they will form a cross that will ultimately enfold the entire space with every color of the growing season. We, the baptized congregation, are like these diverse strips: together we form the Body of Christ—one body composed of many diverse members.

### Introduction to the Day

Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them an actual flesh and blood child. We are called to welcome the particular children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

### Installation of Saint Luke Academy Staff

This morning at the 9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion **Donna Beck, Steven Beck, Mia Boayue, Larry Bohl, Rachel Bouman, Basia Clark, Heather Gustafson, Ellaina Kaplan, Antonette Kulesza, Jean Linsner, Daisy Nuñez, Alison Pildner, Gloria Sanchez** will be installed as workers in Saint Luke Ministries.

### Education for Saint Luke

Confirmation Class – There's still time to sign-up

The Lutheran Lakeview Parish (LLP) will host **Confirmation class** this year. It will be taught by Pastors Stephen Bouman, Kelly Faulstich, and Michelle Sevig. Classes will meet the first Sunday of the month at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1218 W Addison Ave from 11:00 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Elisabeth Stampfl ([estampfl@stlukechicago.org](mailto:estampfl@stlukechicago.org) or 773.472.3383) if you have questions or to sign up! The first class is Sunday, October 3, 2021.

### Voters Meeting

There will be a meeting of the **Voters Assembly** in Church on Sunday, September 26, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. service. Please plan to attend this important meeting for the business of the church.

TODAY AT SAINT LUKE

Sunday School and Bible Class Begin!

**Sunday School** and **Bible Class** (in person) begin today!

Education Time will be from 8:30 – 9:15 a.m.

- Sunday School will meet in Room 101 (First floor of school, to the right)
- Bible Class will meet in Memorial Hall

*Bible Class will also continue meeting virtually on Thursdays at noon.*

### Bible Class

Bible Class **will continue** to meet on Thursdays virtually. The next session is September 23, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. Please join the group to discuss the lessons and Gospel for Lectionary 26.

The lessons are: *Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29, James 5:13-20, Saint Mark 9:38-50*

The link for "**Bible Class**" can be found on the website at [stlukechicago.org](http://stlukechicago.org). Click on "Bible Class" or enter the following URL into your browser: <https://bit.ly/39AbHrQ>

Meeting ID: 992 4691 2627    Passcode: saintluke

### Coffee Hour

Please come to the church lobby after the service as we celebrate the **in-person and online Coffee Hour!** Say "Hello" to people who are unable to come to church and would love to hear from people here! Coffee is available.

If you are online for church, please enter the following URL into your browser: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyFF>. It's a wonderful way to get caught up with Saint Luke friends.

### Pick-up Truck needed

After many years, many miles, many funerals, the pick-up truck at the cemetery is in need of replacement. If you have a truck you are ready to sell or know of someone who has a truck they are trying to sell, please call the church office (773.472.3383) or email [estampfl@stlukechicago.org](mailto:estampfl@stlukechicago.org).

### Caring and Sharing

The September item for the **Monthly Gifts Collection** will be **bars of soap**. Soap is almost impossible to obtain in third world countries where it is scarce and/or very expensive. Lutheran World Relief distributes soap and other personal care products to people in need around the world. New bars of any brand, in the original wrapping are accepted. Bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) are highly preferred. Please leave your donation in the specially marked barrel in the Church Lobby.

# THIS WEEK at Saint Luke Church

## SUNDAY, September 19, 2021

Holy Communion and Installation of Saint Luke Academy Staff 9:30 a.m.

*Church*

Coffee Hour 10:30 a.m. Link: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyEE> *In-Person and via Zoom*

## MONDAY - FRIDAY, September 20 - 24, 2021

Morning Care 7:30-8:00 a.m.

*4<sup>th</sup> Floor Classroom*

School in Session 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

After-Care 3:30 - 6:00 p.m.

*4<sup>th</sup> Floor Classroom*

## WEDNESDAY, September 22, 2021

Administrative Staff Meeting 12:00 p.m.

*Memorial Hall*

## THURSDAY, September 23, 2021

Bible Class 12:00 p.m. Link: <https://bit.ly/39AbHrQ>

*via Zoom*

Ministry Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

*Memorial Hall*

## SUNDAY, September 26, 2021

Holy Communion 9:30 a.m.

*Church*

Voters Meeting 10:30 a.m.

*Church*



**Lutheran Disaster Response**  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

## The Need Continues

### Give now for Disaster Relief

*Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress" (Psalm 71:3).*

Lutheran Disaster Response brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, they stay to provide ongoing assistance to those in need.

We pray that God's presence will be felt in the midst of suffering and bring comfort to those who are hurting. Together, we can show our neighbors that they are not alone.



New Orleans after Hurricane Ida



Haiti after magnitude 7.2 earthquake

### Ways to Give

Checks or money orders can be sent to:

**Lutheran Disaster Response**  
**P.O. Box 1809**  
**Merrifield, VA 22116-8009**

Give by phone at **800-638-3522** or [go](http://go.to/elca.org) to [elca.org](http://elca.org)

