

SAINT LUKE CHURCH

March 22, 2020



PRAYER CONNECTION AND REFLECTION
Time to reflect and pray individually as you prepare for worship

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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:

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| <i>Stella Lackey</i> | <i>Eve Scheffler</i> | <i>Maryann Palermo</i> | <i>Heidi Rivera</i> | <i>Monroe Quinn</i> |
| <i>Tarun Bhargava</i> | <i>Patricia Grunde</i> | <i>Marla Powers</i> | <i>Allison Dragash</i> | <i>Linda Planekowsky</i> |
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| <i>Valis Dell</i> | <i>Neva Geweke</i> | <i>David Kropp</i> | <i>Michael Holman</i> | <i>Pat Countryman</i> |
| <i>Tandy Holman</i> | <i>David Ploger</i> | <i>Laurie Strobmayer</i> | <i>Donna Karaklasch</i> | <i>Mark Van Scharrel</i> |
| <i>Majdi Badri</i> | <i>Rosemarie Morgen</i> | <i>Georgette Steiger</i> | <i>Danny Horth</i> | |

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

FOR THE NATION AND THE WORLD

God, our peace and our strength, we pray for our nation and the world as we face new uncertainties around coronavirus. Protect the most vulnerable among us, especially all who are currently sick or in isolation. Grant wisdom, patience, and clarity to health care workers, especially as their work caring for others puts them at great risk. Guide us as we consider how best to prepare and respond in our families, congregations, workplaces, and communities. Give us courage to face these days not with fear but with compassion, concern, and acts of service, trusting that you abide with us always, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

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| <i>Nicholas Bakulinski</i> | <i>Jeremy Strobmayer</i> | <i>Dan McCarthy</i> | <i>Preston Larson</i> |
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Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

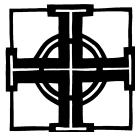
SAINT LUKE CHURCH

LENT 4

MORNING PRAYER

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

9:00 AM



GATHERING

Sit Welcome

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Stand I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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**

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,

and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

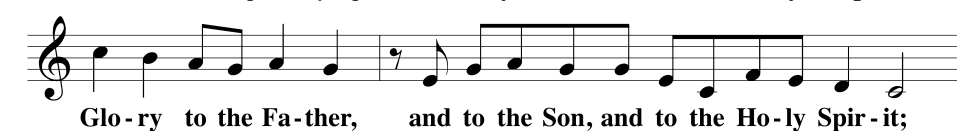
People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Stand Opening Sentences



**Christ Jesus, Being in the form of God
did not cling to his equality with God
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave.
Bearing the human likeness, revealed in human shape,
he humbled himself, in obedience accepting death,
even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God has raised him to the heights
and bestowed on him the name above all names,
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow—
in heaven, on earth, and in the depths—
and every tongue confess to the glory of God the Father
that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

**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.**



1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make
3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
4 My ta - ble thou hast rich - ly spread in pres - ence of my foes;
5 Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me,

in pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake;
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still;
my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be;

He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
My head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be.

The readings conclude: The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,
But in these last days God has spoken to us by the Son.

Stand Gospel Canticle: Blessed be the Lord

Bless - ed be the Lord, the God of Is - ra - el; he has
come to his peo - ple and set them free. He has raised up for us a
might - y Sav - ior, born of the house of his ser - vant Da - vid.
Through his ho - ly proph - ets he prom - ised of old that he would
save us from our en - e mies, from the hands of all who hate us.
He prom - ised to show mer - cy to our fa - thers and to re -
mem - ber his ho - ly cov - e - nant. This was the oath he swore to our
fa - ther A - bra - ham: to set us free from the hands of our

en - e - mies, free to wor - ship him with - out fear,
ho - ly and righ - teous in his sight all the days of our life.
☐ You, my child shall be called the proph - et of the Most High,
for you will go be - fore the Lord to pre - pare his way,
to give his peo - ple knowl - edge of sal - va - tion by the for - give - ness
of their sins. In the ten - der com - pas - sion of our God,
the dawn from on high shall break up - on us,
to shine on those who dwell in dark - ness and the shad - ow of death,
and to guide our feet in - to the way of peace.
☑ Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in the be - gin - ning,
is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Kneel Prayers


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**

Stand Benedicamus: Let us bless the Lord



Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sit Hymn As the Deer Runs to the River



- 1 As the deer runs to the riv - er, parched and wea - ry from the chase,
- 2 When your Is - rael crossed the des - ert where no stream or spring was seen,
- 3 "Come and drink," I - sa - iah sum-moned, "all who for God's mer - cy plead!
- 4 Christ, we come from des - ert plac - es, deep - est thirst un - sat - is - fied.



we have come from hurt and hur - ry, thirst - ing for your heal - ing grace.
Mo - ses struck the rock, and wa - ter flowed for them, re - fresh - ing, clean.
God's for - give - ness, like a foun-tain, flows to sat - is - fy your need."
Lead us to the wa-ters flow-ing from the cross on which you died.



Je - sus, source of liv-ing wa - ter, may we drink of you and live!

Gathering of the Gifts

Offering for the Congregation

Stand Reading

Saint John 9:1-41

Sit Sermon


Hymn *refrain* Lead Me, Guide Me



Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;



for if you lead me, I can - not stray.



Lord, let me walk each day with thee.



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.



- 1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r
- 2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,
- 3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,



to help me o - ver my weak - est hour.
be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.
I am blind with - out . . . thy light to see.



Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see.
I am put - ting all . . . my trust in thee.
Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

