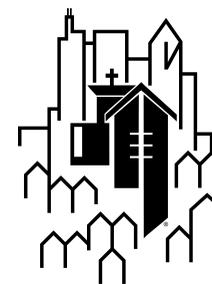


SAINT LUKE CHURCH

2020

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



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.

Please enter the church using the Courtyard entrance.

Out of an abundance of caution everyone is required to wear a mask in the church and during the service.

Everyone must sign in and have their temperature taken, which will not be recorded. Please go right to your seat after you have signed in.

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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
 November 8, 2020
 Time after Pentecost – Lectionary 32
 PRAYER CONNECTION AND REFLECTION
Time to reflect and pray individually as you prepare for worship

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through 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>Eve Scheffler</i>	<i>Maryann Palermo</i>	<i>Peter Burkbart</i>	<i>Danny Horth</i>
<i>Patricia Grunde</i>	<i>Janet Hagberg</i>	<i>Christian Long</i>	<i>David Horne</i>
<i>Steve Mead</i>	<i>Jan Nyberg</i>	<i>John Horth</i>	<i>Amyyab Robinson</i>
<i>Maryjo McCawley</i>	<i>Neva Geweke</i>	<i>Michael Holman</i>	<i>Linda Planekowsky</i>
<i>Tandy Holman</i>	<i>David Ploger</i>	<i>Laurie Strohmayer</i>	<i>Rosie Diaz</i>
<i>Donna Karaklasch</i>	<i>Mark Van Scharrel</i>	<i>Martha Kastigar</i>	<i>Rosemarie Morgen</i>
<i>Shauna Stiglich</i>	<i>Albester Hall Jones</i>	<i>Dale Peters</i>	<i>Dan Horton</i>

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

FOR VETERANS

O God, by whose mercy the faithful departed find rest, look kindly on your departed veterans who gave their lives in the service of their country. Grant that through the passion, death, and resurrection of your Son they may share in the joy of your heavenly kingdom and rejoice in you with your saints forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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

O God, author of all peace and concord, grant us the vision to see and the faith to believe in a world emancipated from violence, where fear shall no longer lead men to commit injustice, nor selfishness make them bring suffering to others. Help us to devote our thoughts and energy to the task of making peace, praying always for the inspiration and the power to fulfill the destiny for which we and all humanity were created. In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, we pray. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER

TIME AFTER PENTECOST – LECTIONARY 32
 NOVEMBER 8, 2020 • 8:30 AM

Sit Prelude: Improvisation on “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

D. Mead

Stand Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
Have mercy on 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.**

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

**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.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 and the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

O Lord, I cry to you for help.

**In the morning
my prayer comes before you.**

Let my mouth be full of your praise
and your glory all the day long.

Every day will I bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.

Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

You redeem my life from the grave,
and crown me with mercy and steadfast love.

Lord, hear my prayer,
and let my cry come before you.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray. You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Sit Hymn O God beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favor may serve you as our King;
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Readings

Amos 5:18-24
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Silence

Stand

Saint Matthew 25:1-13

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

Sit

Homily

Meditation on God's Grace: "Wait for the Lord"

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart

Prayers of Intercession

After each petition: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all harm and danger. We ask that you would also protect us today from sin and all evil, so that our life and actions may please you. Into your hands we commend ourselves; our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us. **Amen.**

God our creator, you have given us work to do and call us to use our talents for the good of all. Guide us as we work, and teach us to live in the Spirit who made us your sons and daughters, in the love that made us sisters and brothers, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

Arise, My Soul, Arise!

Arise, my soul, arise! Stretch forth to things eternal
and hasten to the feet of your redeemer God,
Who, hid from mortal eyes, yet dwells in light supernal;
So worship God in humbleness, your sov'reign Lord.
The banquet of love awaits you above:
Yet here you have a foretaste of the feast to come!
Rejoice, my soul, rejoice, to heav'n lift up your voice:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Stand Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Almighty God bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Postlude: “All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”

D. Mead

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

TIME AFTER PENTECOST – LECTIONARY 32

NOVEMBER 8, 2020

10:30 A.M.

GATHERING

Sit Prelude: Improvisation on “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

D. Mead

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**

Stephen Bouman, *Presiding Minister*
Lucy Baker, *Cantor*

Libby Godecke, *Lector*
Don Mead, *Organist*

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**

Sit Hymn O God beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

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and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

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 _____

First Reading Amos 5:18-24

The reading concludes: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence

Psalm 70

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;

O Lord, make haste to help me.

Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded;

let those who take pleasure in my misfortune

draw back and be disgraced.

Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me

turn back because of their shame.

Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;

let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the Lord!"

But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God.

You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The reading concludes: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence

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 Matthew, the 25th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

✠ SAINT MATTHEW 25:1-13 ✠

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit Sermon

Silence

Hymn of the Day

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Rejoice, my soul, rejoice, to heav'n lift up your voice:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Stand Apostle's Creed

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

**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.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
and the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Sit Prayers of Intercession

After each petition: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Stand Sharing of the Peace

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

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MEAL

Sit Meditation on God's Grace: "Wait for the Lord"

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart

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

Communion will be through use of the bread only. The pastor will consecrate a chalice of wine and enough wafers to serve those at worship and those who will receive the consecrated bread during the week. Usbers will lead us to the altar, socially distanced, to receive the sacrament. We will receive and consume the bread from a paten by a communion assistant wearing gloves and saying: "The Body of Christ for you." Then stop by the chalice, bow and hear the pastor say: "The Blood of Christ for you."

Communion Hymn

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long:

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;

Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. **Refrain**

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Refrain

SENDING _____

Stand Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Blessing

Prayer for Peace

Litany for Peace

O God, the Father of all,

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, the Prince of Peace,

Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Spirit, enlightener of all

Have mercy upon us.

Eternal God of Love,

Receive our prayer.

Remember, O Lord, the peoples of the world divided into many nations and tongues; deliver us from every evil which obstructs your saving purpose; and fulfill your promises of old to establish your kingdom of peace. From the curse of war and all chaos.

Good Lord, deliver us.

From believing and speaking lies against other nations,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From narrow loyalties and selfish isolation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fear and distrust of other nations, from all false pride, vain glory, and self-conceit.

Good Lord, deliver us.

From the lust of the mighty for riches, that drives peaceful peoples to slaughter.

Good Lord, deliver us.

From putting our trust in the weapons of war, and from lack of faith in the power of justice and goodwill,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From every thought, word, and deed which divides the human family and separates us from the perfect realization of your love,

Good Lord, deliver us.

Eternal God, you show your people the way in which they should go, turn our feet from the city of destruction toward the city of God, and redirect our desires and labors in accordance with your will, that we may achieve the new world for which your Son was content to die, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

That nations may seek to serve each other and not seek domination,

Hear us, O God.

That science may be the constant handmaid of life and never the henchman of death,

Hear us, O God.

That the treasure now spent on the engines of war may be used for the arts of peace,

Hear us, O God.

That your people may rejoice to endure labor and want and death to win, not a war, but your kingdom,

Hear us, O God.

That we may love not only our country but also the whole family of nations,

Hear us, O God.

That ancient enmities may pass away and that you will make all things new,

Hear us, O God.

O Christ, at whose word the wind and waves were still, rebuke, we pray you; the violence of humanity, and usher in the day of community, that we may truly serve you; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and works for us unceasingly, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord of life, master of all, pattern of gentleness,

Hear us, Lord Jesus.

By the prophets' dream of old,

Grant us victory over war.

By the angels' song of peace,

Raise up leaders of good will.

By the gospel's words of love,

Help us to love our enemies.

By your sacrificial death,

Teach the nations self-denial.

By the kingdom you have promised,

Come to rule the hearts of humanity.

By the kingdom you have promised,

Make the nations one.

God of the future years, we pray for all your family on earth and for every agency of world co-operation that it may grow in usefulness and power;

Hear us, O Lord.

For the United Nations,

Hear us, O Lord.

For the Court of International Justice,
Hear us, O Lord.

For international federations of labor, industry, and commerce,
Hear us, O Lord.

For the departments of state, for all ambassadors, minister, diplomats, and statesmen, for veterans, active duty military and all service personnel who preserve the peace,
Hear us, O Lord.

For the prophets and pioneers who have seen the promised land afar off and dedicated their lives to its service,
Hear us, O Lord.

For the common folk in every land who live in peace and quietness.
Hear us, O Lord.

Eternal God, to you we commit ourselves; use even us with our ignorance and frailty to accomplish your holy will; and hasten the day when all will dwell together in mutual helpfulness and love; for yours in the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

Recession

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Finale, from Symphony #1

Louis Vierne

Please remain seated until an usher dismisses you.

You may place your offering in the box provided at the entrance to the church by the courtyard.

Stephen Bouman, *Presiding Minister*
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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 8, 2020



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Introduction to the Day

Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down the waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord, Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory – the marriage feast of the lamb.

Today

Throughout the church, the bounty of nature's harvest becomes our symbol for the final gathering of the saints. We are in our yearly "end-time," a season in which we reflect on transitions and transformations, endings and beginnings. As we focus on Christ's promised return and the new life that awaits his saints, we are reminded that we are all God's harvest, the saints on earth and the saints above, in the mystical union of the body of Christ.

Saint Luke will observe **Veterans Day** this morning with a *Litany of Peace and Remembrance* at the close of the 10:30 a.m. service.

Veterans Day

The Church and School offices will be closed and there is no school on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

Mobile or Text Giving

Supporting Saint Luke Ministries is just a click away. We offer convenient **online giving**, so you never have to worry about leaving your cash or checkbook at home. You can make a one-time contribution or set up recurring gifts – a great option for members who travel. Get started by visiting our online donation page at www.stlukechicago.org.

You can also text your donation! Simply send a **text message to 833.988.0613** with the amount you would like to contribute.

Saint Luke Academy News...

- Students at the Academy will be participating in the November food drive.
- Parent-Teacher conferences will be held via Zoom this week, November 9-10. There will be no school on Veterans Day (November 11).
- Saint Luke Academy is hoping to build a 3/4/5 grade classroom in December. If you know anyone in the neighborhood who is looking for a nurturing, student-centered environment for the child (in-school, five days a week) please contact Donna Beck at principal@stlukechicago.org.

Caring and Sharing

During November we invite Saint Luke members to bring **canned goods** for sharing through our own emergency pantry and the LakeView Pantry. You may put your canned goods in the alcove at the front of the church.

Winter Warmth

November is the month for the annual coat drive in which we collect used, **warm, winter coats** for distribution to the homeless. Coats for men, women, and children will be distributed through the New Hope Community Closet. Bring your old coats to the collection barrel in the Church.

St. Luke Evening Tea!

St. Luke Evening Tea will meet tonight at 6:00 p.m. You're invited! The link for "**St. Luke Evening Tea**" can be found on the website at stlukechicago.org. Click on "Evening Tea" or enter the following URL into your browser: Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74357115116> Passcode: saintluke **(Please note this is a new Zoom Link!)** See you this evening!

Thanksgiving Worship

The worship service for Thanksgiving, November 26, 2020 will be online only. The service will be available at www.stlukechicago.org, premiering at 10:00 a.m.



Add canned goods to your thanks! Leave your non-perishable donations to Saint Luke's food pantry at the foot of the Christ figure in the back of the church.

Bible Class

Bible Class is continuing virtually and will meet this week on **Thursday, November 12 at 12 p.m.** Bring your lunch and join Pastor Bouman to discuss the lessons and Gospel for Lectionary 33.

The lessons are: *Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, St. Matthew 25:14-30*

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<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74877880585> Passcode: saintluke **(Please note this is a new Zoom Link!)**

Commitment Sunday

Commitment Sunday is November 15th. As you consider your pledge for 2021 please consider the broader scope your commitment supports. Being a good steward of the faith involves how we interact with the world, the ELCA and other faith based organizations as well as our home, Saint Luke. Please think about how your pledge is a commitment to hope. Pledge cards were mailed to you with your 3rd quarter statement and are also available at the church. They may be returned at anytime this month. Thank you for your participation and may God bless our work together!



The Freedom of a Christian

Amid the pandemic of COVID-19 and the ongoing pandemic of racism and xenophobia, our communities and world are ravaged by illness, death and injustice. We are tempted to turn inward in despair. Five hundred years ago, Martin Luther wrote a treatise titled ***The Freedom of a Christian***. In it, he offered his most compelling summary of the Christian life: In Christ we are completely free and at the same time completely bound in love and service to our neighbors. The Lakeview Lutheran Parish (LLP) is sponsoring a study of *The Freedom of the Christian* on Wednesday mornings 10:00 – 11:00 am continuing November 11. Join via zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/987432464?pwd=tgnxmrbvlowuo4exviczgodnknuto9>. Meeting ID: 987 432 464. Password: 029091. Call-in: 312.626.6799. Watch a brief video from Bishop Eaton, download the study guide and a free copy of the *Freedom of the Christian* at elca500.org.