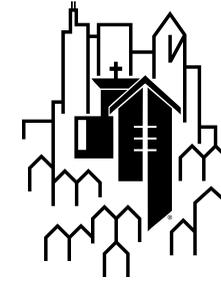




The SUNDAY *of the* PASSION

Palm Sunday



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.

There will be no singing by the congregation and responses and prayers should be spoken quietly.

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.

Following the service an usher will dismiss you from your seat. Please exit immediately. Pastor will greet people in the courtyard, weather permitting.

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

Sunday, March 28, 2021

Palm Sunday

PRAYER CONNECTION AND REFLECTION

Time to reflect and pray individually as you prepare for worship

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you 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

<i>Eve Scheffler</i>	<i>Maryann Palermo</i>	<i>Peter Burkbart</i>	<i>Steve Mead</i>	<i>Abigail Zbang</i>
<i>Patricia Grunde</i>	<i>Janet Hagberg</i>	<i>Christian Long</i>	<i>David Horne</i>	<i>John Holland</i>
<i>Shauna Stiglich</i>	<i>Jan Nyberg</i>	<i>Amyyah Robinson</i>	<i>Rosie Diaz</i>	<i>Charlene Grosse</i>
<i>MaryJo McCawley</i>	<i>Jeanette Geweke</i>	<i>Lois Harvai</i>	<i>Dan Horton</i>	<i>Erika Stampfl</i>
<i>Laurie Strohmayr</i>	<i>Mona Moharrer</i>	<i>Martha Kastigar</i>	<i>Grace Tampa</i>	<i>Rosemarie Morgen</i>
<i>Albester Hall Jones</i>	<i>William A. Jones</i>	<i>Matthew Hage</i>	<i>Omar Silva</i>	<i>Jack Pasquale</i>
<i>Linda Planekowsky</i>	<i>Mark Van Scharrel</i>	<i>Steven Lubicz</i>	<i>Janet Limberg</i>	<i>Kenneth Markworth</i>
<i>Rachel Bouman</i>	<i>Hayden Berthelot</i>			

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

AS WE COMPLETE OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us as we complete our Lenten pilgrimage. At our journey's end, send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ. 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 Strohmayr* *Dan McCarthy* *Preston Larson* *Lucas Kratz*

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 in spite of 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

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

Palm Sunday

8:30 & 10:30 AM

GATHERING

Sit Prelude: Fantasia on St. Theodulph

J.S. Bach

Welcome

Stand Greeting

The congregation stands, turning to face the Paradisum of the church.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Invitation

Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessing of Palms

The congregation lifts their palm branches for the blessing.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you, O God, for your redemption of the world through our Lord Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless + these branches and those who carry them. Grant that we may follow him in the way of the cross, and that, dying and rising with him we may enter into your kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Processional Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

✠ SAINT MARK 11:1-11 ✠

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Procession

Let us go forth in peace,

in the name of Christ. Amen

The congregation is invited to wave their palm branches vigorously as the procession moves.

As the procession passes, please turn to face the front of the church.

Hymn

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son, now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. **Refrain**

The company of angels are praising you on high; creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. **Refrain**

The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went: our praise and pray'r and anthems before you we present. **Refrain**

To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise. To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. **Refrain**

Their praises you accepted; accept the pray'rs we bring, great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King. **Refrain**

At the conclusion of the procession:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Our Lord Jesus Christ entered the holy city in triumph to claim the cross as his throne. As we begin the solemnities of this Holy Week, we enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray ...

The congregation responds: Amen

WORD _____

Sit

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9

The reading concludes:

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody Anthem "Ride on King Jesus"

Moses Hogan

Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

The reading concludes:

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

according to SAINT MARK 15:1-39

The congregation remains seated for the reading of the passion.

Before the reading, the congregation sings:

Jesus, I will ponder now on your holy passion; let your Spirit now endow me for meditation. Grant that I in love and faith may the image cherish of your suffering, pain, and death, that I may not perish.

Stand Hymn of the Day

My Song Is Love Unknown

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
 love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
 Oh, who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?

He came from his blest throne salvation to bestow; the world that was his own
 would not its Savior know. But, oh, my friend, my friend indeed, who at my
 need his life did spend!

Sometimes we strew his way and his sweet praises sing;
 resounding all the day hosannas to our king.
 Then "Crucify!" is all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.

We cry out, we will have our dear Lord made away,
 a murderer to save, the prince of life to slay.
 Yet cheerful he to suffering goes that he his foes from thence might free.

In life no house, no home my Lord on earth might have;
 In death no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say? Heav'n was his home but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

Here might I stay and sing – no story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine.
 This is my friend in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend!

Prayers of Intercession

After each petition: Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

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.

Stand Presentation of the Gifts


What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all his ben-e-fits to
 me? I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will
 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-va-
 tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
 vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all his peo-ple, in the
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

Offertory Prayer

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.

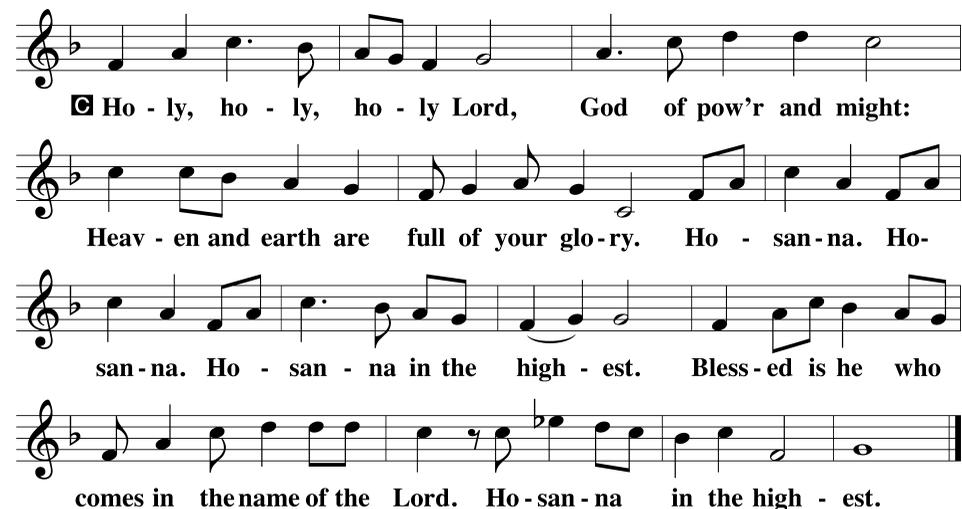
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing
always and everywhere to give thanks ...

... and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho-
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, . . .

. . . as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pour our your Holy Spirit on us, gathered here, . . .

. . . Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

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**

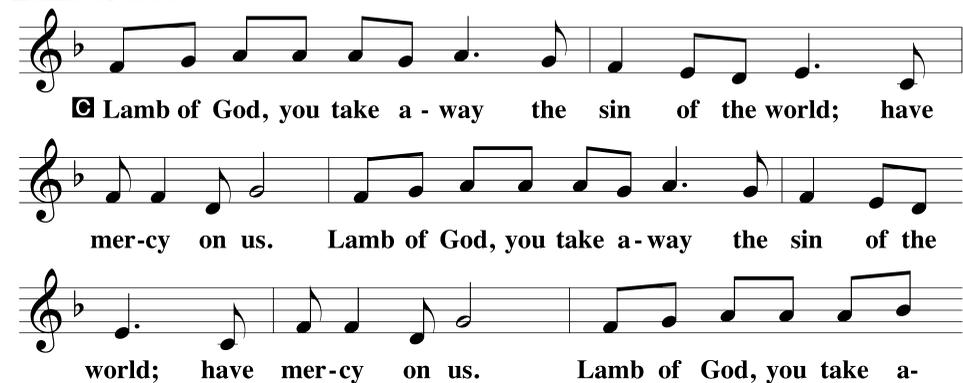
Sit Communion

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. Ushers 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."

Prayer for those who will not receive

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you. Amen.

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-



Hymn

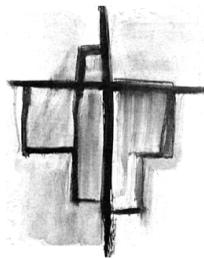
A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

A lamb goes uncomplaining forth to save a world of sinners.
 He bears the burden all alone, dies shorn of all his honors.
 He goes to slaughter, weak and faint, is led to die without complaint;
 His spotless life he offers. He bears the shame, the stripes, the wrath;
 his anguish, mockery, and death for us he gladly suffers.

This lamb is Christ, our greatest friend, the Lamb of God, our Savior,
 Whom God in mercy chose to send to win us rebels over.
 "Go down, my child," the Father said, "and free my children from their dread
 of death and condemnation. The painful stripes are hard to bear,
 but by your death they all can share the joy of your salvation."

Our Savior answered from his heart that he would take the burden:
 "My Father's will is my command; I'll do as I am bidden."
 Oh, wondrous love! Oh, loving might! To right what mortals cannot right
 The Son was sent from heaven. What love, O Love, who came to save
 By loving even to the grave until the stone was riven.

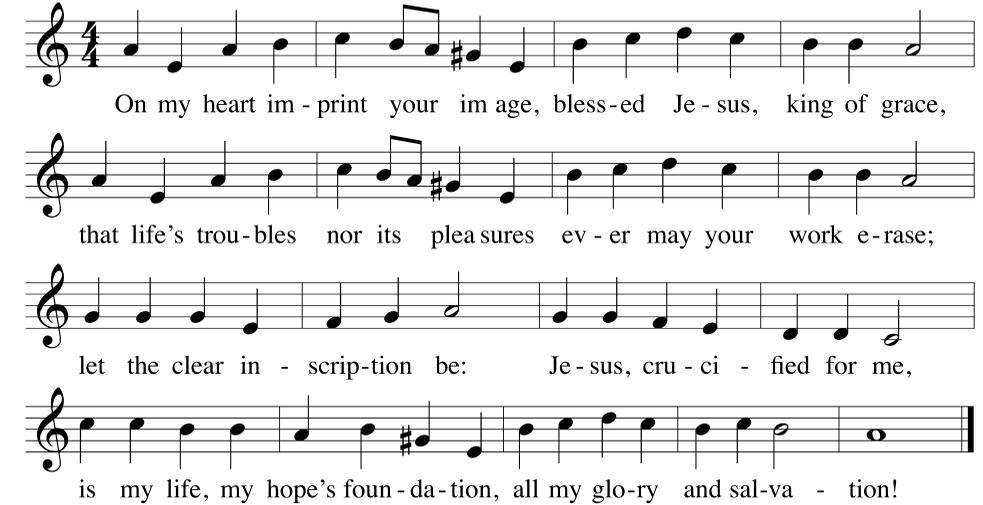
Of death I am no more afraid; your dying is my living.
 You clothe me in your royal robes that you are always giving
 You love is dress enough for me to wear through all eternity
 Before the throne of heaven, where we shall stand close by your side,
 Your church the well appointed bride, when all the faithful gather.



SENDING

Stand Table Blessing

Hymn after Communion



Prayer after Communion

Prayer for Peace

Benediction

Recessional Hymn

There In God's Garden

There in God's garden stands the Tree of Wisdom
 Whose leaves hold forth the healing of the nations.
 Tree of all knowledge, Tree of all compassion.
 Tree of all beauty.

Its name is Jesus, name that says, "Our Savior!"
 There on its branches see the sears of suffering;
 See there the tendrils of our human self hood
 Feed on its life blood.

Thorns not its own are tangled in its foliage;
Our greed has starved it, our despite has choked it.
Yet, look! It lives! Its grief has destroyed it
Nor fire consumed it.

See how its branches reach to us in welcome;
Hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye weary!
Give me your sickness, give me all your sorrow,
I will give blessing."

This is my ending, this my resurrection;
Into your hands Lord, I commit my spirit.
This have I searched for; now I can possess it.
This ground is holy.

All heav'n is singing, "Thanks to Christ whose passion
Offers in mercy healing strength and pardon.
Peoples and nations, take it take it freely!"
Amen! My Master!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



NEWS AND INFORMATION

March 28, 2021



Worship Space

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, that final portion of the Lenten discipline in which we follow Jesus to the cross. During this period, the events of the week are observed in "real time"—in the same time frame that Jesus experienced them. This morning we trace his path into Jerusalem. Then with special services and daily devotions we mark the hours through the Last Supper (Thursday), the trial and crucifixion (Thursday night and Friday) and ultimately to his resurrection (next Sunday).

During Holy Week the environment will change to reflect the events in Jesus' final week. The palms and pillar banners this morning recall his triumphal entry into Jerusalem and in the procession we become the people of the city, waving our branches and crying "Hosanna" as the Son of David passes.

Introduction to the Day

The first and second readings and psalm are the same this Sunday every year: Christ emptying himself of divine power and protection, tying himself of divine power and protection, willingly becoming vulnerable to those who struck him and put him to death. With Christ we lament his suffering and all human suffering, but expect God's final vindication. Mark's passion story begins with an unnamed woman anointing his head, perhaps to proclaim him Messiah, and Jesus saying she has anointed him beforehand for burial. Mark's Easter story will begin with women going to anoint Jesus for burial, only to find that he has been raised, God's living Anointed One.

Congratulations to ...

Karla Beck. Karla will receive her first Holy Communion today at the 10:30 a.m. Service. Welcome, Karla, to the family of God through the sacrament of Holy Communion.



Steam Pipe Repair Update

We're so close to our goal!

The Steam Pipe Repair will cost \$20,000 and we have raised **\$16,730.00** so far. This incredible success has come from people giving from their hearts, with gifts ranging from \$1000 to \$5. We are so grateful to everyone who has participated in this fund-raiser. We're so close! Only **\$3270.00** is still needed to reach our goal.

Will you help us in this final push?

The Steam Pipe Repair is complete! Next step: paint the pipe running across the ground floor ceiling.

Three easy ways to donate:

- stlukechicago.org, click on "Online" and then "Make a donation"
- Call the Church Office (773.472.3383) to donate
- Mail your gift to Saint Luke
1500 W Belmont Ave
Chicago, IL 60657



Registration for Holy Week and Easter

Please check the schedule for Holy Week and Easter services on pages 19 & 20 of this bulletin. Good Friday services and Easter services will require a registration.

You can also use this QR code which will take you to the registration page on our website:

www.stlukechicago.org



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: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyFE>. See you this evening!

Please note: There will be NO Evening Tea on Easter, April 4, 2021

Needs at Home

Coin Folders should be returned to the church office by April 25. The monies collected will be donated to *World Vision and Bread for the World*

During the month of April our monthly collection focuses on **baby food** – cereal, canned or powdered formula, juices and jars of prepared food – all items needed by growing babies. Donations help the Lincoln-Belmont Pantry provide good nutrition for infants from low income families. Please leave your donations in the collection barrel in the church lobby.

Mission Work Thanks

Big Thanks to Barb, Ruth, Kelsey, Paul, Lisa, Don, Dennis, Liala, and Emily, who each had their hand in making our first Hot Soup Mission a success. Stay tuned for news on the next Hot Soup Mission in April. If you have suggestions on which encampment to visit, please send a note to lisa@lisamaggiore.com.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thank you so much to *Val Busbey* for directing Thrivent Choice Dollars to Saint Luke. If you are a member of Thrivent you may direct where Thrivent distributes a portion of it's charitable funding. You can select Saint Luke Church or Saint Luke Academy at **Thrivent.com/thriventchoice**. Then click on Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars and follow the directions.

Summer Bridge Camp Registration is Open

The Academy will be hosting Summer Bridge Camp again beginning June 21. This 8-week program for 3 & 4 year-olds and students entering Kindergarten through 4th grades will include thematic weeks, fun, activities, and adventures designed to help students maintain and build on skills learned during the school year. Get information and register online at www.stlukechicago.org.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK
HOLY WEEK 2021



BEGINNING THE HOLY WEEK

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

MONDAY

O God, your Son chose the path that led to pain before joy and the cross before glory. Plant his cross in our hearts, so that in its power and love we may come at last to joy and glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

TUESDAY

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you. Grant that our love may not grow cold in your service, and that we may not fail or deny you in the time of trial, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WEDNESDAY

Almighty God, your Son our Savior suffered at human hands and endured the shame of the cross. Grant that we may walk in the way of his cross and find it the way of life and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THURSDAY

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

FRIDAY

Merciful God, your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SATURDAY

Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your church with the Spirit given us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth and may shine as a light in the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.



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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2021

RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR SOME SERVICES



PALM SUNDAY – MARCH 28, 2021

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion*

Reservation is necessary for both services

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

MAUNDY THURSDAY – APRIL 1, 2021

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

7:00 p.m. Holy Communion*

Stripping of the Altar



GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 2, 2021

11:00 a.m. Good Friday Liturgy
with the children of Saint Luke Academy

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy*

Reservation is necessary



HOLY SATURDAY – APRIL 3, 2021

7:00 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter (online only)

Link: <https://bit.ly/3ttKXAL>



THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021

8:30 a.m. Festival Eucharist of the Resurrection

10:30 a.m. Festival Eucharist of the Resurrection*
Reservation is necessary for both services

*To make a reservation for any of these services, please call
 Church Office (773.472.3383) or go to www.stlukechicago.org
 Service available live online



EASTER FLOWERS

Complete the form below to help underwrite the cost of flowers for the adornment of the chancel on the Day of Resurrection.

You are invited to place flowers in thanksgiving to God, in remembrance of a departed loved one, or for blessings God has given you.

We list donors in a special Easter bulletin. Please be sure that you make your donation by **Today** so that your name may be included.

These flowers are a most beautiful reminder of our Lord's Resurrection and, by God's grace, our own.

IN MEMORY OF _____

IN THANKSGIVING FOR _____

IN HONOR OF _____

FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED _____

Please indicate the amount you wish to donate for Easter Flowers:

\$30.00 \$40.00 \$50.00 \$100.00

Please make checks payable to Saint Luke Church.

Name(s): _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

As an added convenience you may use your VISA, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express card

Number _____

Exp. Date _____ CVV Number _____

Hot Soup Misson

LLP Success in March!

Let's do it again in April!



The LLP is planning for our next hot soup mission on **Wednesday, April 21st**, and we are looking for volunteers to cook, prepare, clean, and deliver hot soup to a homeless encampment.

We will have a 30-minute Zoom meeting on **Monday, April 12th, at 7 p.m.** We are also looking for donations of rain ponchos that we can pass out.

Please drop-off all donations at your church.

If you have any questions, please contact Paul at 773-841-3702 or Lisa at 773-960-5125.

Meeting ID: 838 0970 8322

Passcode: 718619

We can do so much good together!