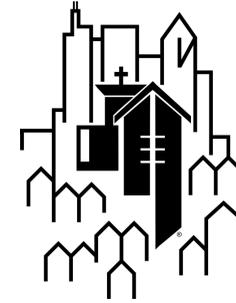


# SAINT LUKE CHURCH



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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.

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

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 coffee will be served in the church lobby. You are cordially invited to attend.

*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.



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**

*Stand* Entrance Hymn Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding

Hark a thrilling voice is sounding! "Christ is near," we hear it say,  
"Cast away the works of darkness, all you children of the day!"

Wakened by the solemn warning, from earth's bondage let us rise;  
Christ, our sun, all sloth dispelling, shines upon the morning skies.

See the Lamb, so long expected, come with pardon down from heav'n.  
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow, one and all, to be forgiv'n.

So, when next he comes in glory and the world is wrapped in fear,  
he will shield us with his mercy and with words of love draw near.

Honor, glory, might, and blessing to the Father and the Son  
with the everlasting Spirit while unending ages run!

Greeting and Prayer of the Day

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 33:14-16

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

Psalmody Psalm 25:1-10 *Chanted Responsively*

To<sup>l</sup> you, O Lord,

I lift<sup>l</sup> up my soul.

My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be<sup>l</sup> put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph<sup>l</sup> over me.

**Let none who look to you be<sup>l</sup> put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame<sup>l</sup> who are treacherous.  
Show me your<sup>l</sup> ways, O Lord,  
and teach<sup>l</sup> me your paths.**

Lead me in your<sup>l</sup> truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all<sup>l</sup> the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compas-<sup>l</sup> sion and love,  
for they are from<sup>l</sup> everlasting.

**Remember not the sins of my youth and<sup>l</sup> my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love  
and for the sake of your good-<sup>l</sup> ness, O Lord.**

**You are gracious and up-<sup>l</sup> right, O Lord;  
therefore you teach sinners<sup>l</sup> in your way.**

You lead the low-<sup>l</sup> ly in justice  
and teach the low-<sup>l</sup> ly your way.

All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast<sup>l</sup> love and faithfulness  
to those who keep your covenant and your<sup>l</sup> testimonies.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

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



*Stand* HOLY GOSPEL

*Please turn to face the procession as it moves to the center of the church.*

*The congregation sings "Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah" before and after the Gospel*

**Light one candle to watch for Messiah, let the light banish darkness.  
He shall bring salvation to Israel. God fulfills the promise.**

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

+ Saint Luke 21:25-36 +

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

*Sit* Sermon

*Stand* Hymn of the Day

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

Wake, awake, for night is flying,  
the watchmen on the heights are crying;  
awake, Jerusalem, at last.

Midnight hears the welcome voices,  
and at the thrilling cry rejoices:

“Come forth, you maidens! Night is past.

The bridegroom comes! Awake; your lamps with gladness take!” Alleluia!

Rise and prepare the feast to share; go, meet the bridegroom, who draws near.

Zion hears the watchmen singing,  
and all her heart with joy is springing.

She wakes, she rises from her gloom.

Her dear friends comes down, all glorious,  
the strong in grace, in truth victorious:

her star is ris’n; her light is come.

Now come, O Blessed One, Lord Jesus, God’s own Son. Sing hosana!

Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all, and follow to the banquet hall.

Gloria! Let heav’n adore you!

Let saints and angels sing before you,  
with harp and cymbal’s clearest tone.

Gates of pearl, twelve portals gleaming,  
lead us to bliss beyond all dreaming,  
with angels choirs around your throne.

No eye has caught the light, no ear the thund’ring might of such glory.

There we will go: what joy we’ll know! There sweet delight will ever flow.

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**

*Kneel* Prayers of Intercession

*After each petition:* Lord, Listen to your children cry.

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

*Stand* Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*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.*

MEAL \_\_\_\_\_

*Sit* Gathering of the Gifts *Offering for the Congregation*  
Anthem "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" Gustav Holst

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descending comes full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords in human vesture, in the body and the blood,  
he will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

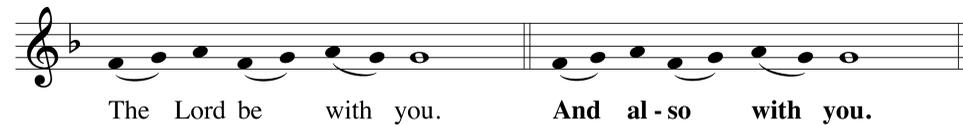
Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way;  
as the Light of light, descending from the realms of endless day,  
comes, the pow'rs of hell to vanquish, as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye,  
veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

*Stand* Presentation of the Gifts *Come, Now, O Prince of Peace*  
Come, now, O Prince of peace, make us one body.  
Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

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.**

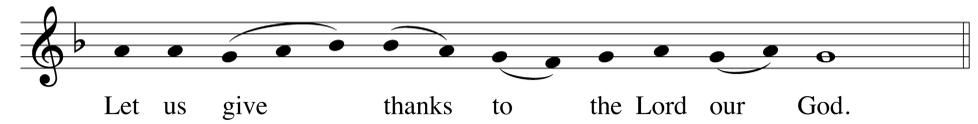
GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al-so 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.

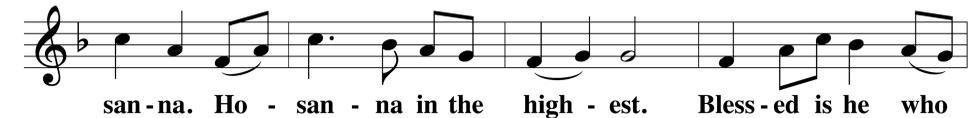
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give  
thanks and praise. . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

*The presiding minister continues to thank and praise God, remembering especially the death  
and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and his promise and command to celebrate this meal.*

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 at the front of the church by the center aisle and return via the side aisles.

Hymn

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear; the evening is advancing, and darker night is near. The bridegroom is arising and soon is drawing nigh. Up, pray and watch and wrestle; at midnight comes the cry.

The watchers on the mountain proclaim the bridegroom is near; go forth as he approaches with alleluias clear. The marriage feast is waiting; the gates wide open stand. Arise, O heirs of glory; the bridegroom is at hand.

The saints, who here in patience their cross and sufferings bore, shall live and reign forever when sorrow is no more. Around the throne of glory the Lamb they shall hold; in triumph cast before him their diadems of gold.

Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear; arise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this benighted sphere. With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see the day of earth's redemption that sets your people free.

SENDING

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Stand Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Benediction

Prayer for Peace

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Noel #1

Louis Claude Daquin

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Stephen Bouman, *Presiding Minister*  
Timothy Colón-Geistlinger, *Assisting Minister*  
Maia Surace, *Cantor*  
Don Mead, *Organist*

# NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## November 28, 2021



### Introduction to the Day

Advent is about the “coming days” God’s people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a “righteous Branch to spring up for David.” The Thessalonians awaited “the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints.” Our Lord’s contemporaries hoped for the time “to stand before the Son of Man.” With them we eagerly await the coming days another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of our Lord in word and supper.

### Today

Advent 1 stands on the cusp of the church year. It is that singular Sunday when we “look ahead” in two different directions. Following the recently concluded church year, we look to the fulfillment of our history when Christ returns as judge. At the same time, beginning a new church year, we look back in history to watch for the birth of the promised Messiah. The tension in this *time between the times* mirrors our existence as the redeemed awaiting redemption, the simultaneous saint and sinner. We are not quite sure where to look, backward or forward, and that is the point of the day, “Be on guard! For you do not know!”

### Today

#### Advent Begins

Today the church throughout the world begins a month-long season of preparation for the birth of the Savior.



#### Holden Evening Prayer for Advent

This Wednesday, December 1, at 7:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1218 W Addison will host an Advent Evening Prayer Service. *Parking permits will be provided. Park your car and get a permit from an usher.* If you are unable to attend, you can watch the service online:

YouTube Link: [https://youtu.be/mrUggJ6j\\_7g](https://youtu.be/mrUggJ6j_7g)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityChicago/>

#### Coffee Break

“Coffee Break” will meet **tonight** at 7:00 p.m. The link for **"Coffee Break"** is on the website at [stlukechicago.org](http://stlukechicago.org). Please pass this information on to friends and family. The discussion is lively and new faces would be welcome. *See you tonight!*



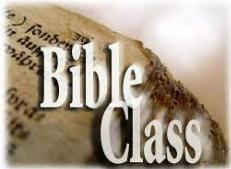
## Monthly Gifts

During December we are collecting **hats, gloves and socks** to be distributed by Lakeview Pantry. Remember those who have little to keep them warm during our bitter winters; put your donation in the collection barrel in the lobby.

## Sunday School and Bible Class

- **Sunday School** is open for children of all ages, it would be wonderful to have a diverse group of youngsters. Join Teacher Rachel Bouman in Room 102 from 8:30 – 9:15 a.m.
- **Bible Class** (in person) meets weekly (also from 8:30 – 9:15 a.m.) on Sundays and virtually on Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.

## Bible Class



Bible Class will meet this week on **Thursday, December 2 at 12 p.m.** Bring your lunch and join the group to discuss the lessons and Gospel for Advent 2.

The lessons are: *Malachi 3:1-4, St. Luke 1:68-79, Saint Luke 3:1-6*

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 See you Thursday!

## Christmas Worship

Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24

10:30 p.m. Pre-service Christmas Music

11:00 p.m. Midnight Eucharist



Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25

9:30 a.m. Holy Communion

First Sunday of Christmas

December 26

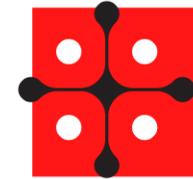
9:30 a.m. Service of Lessons and Carols



## Academy Happening

Saint Luke Academy is hosting an Open House on Thursday, Dec. 9th from 6:00-7:00pm for prospective parents. We are a faith-based neighborhood school with small class sizes, differentiated learning customized for each child, and a history of academic excellence. This is an adult-only event, no children please, as we are adhering to stricter Covid protocols heading into the holiday season to keep our little ones safe.

Questions? Call us at (773) 472-3837 or email us at [admissions@stlukechicago.org](mailto:admissions@stlukechicago.org)



## Building Connections for a Strong Community

Infrastructure, Advanced Wireless Technology & State-of-the-Art High-Speed Internet to seamlessly connect our community

## The Capital Campaign Continues

We are so grateful for every donation received. Every donation, no matter the size, brings us closer to our \$250,000 goal.

Here are a few simple ways you can donate:

- Use the QR code provided below to make a donation online
- Call the church office at 773-472-3383
- Drop a check in the collection plate (using the envelope provided in the church lobbies)
- Go to [stlukechicago.org](http://stlukechicago.org), click on "support Saint Luke"
- Mail a check to the church office
- Use the Kiosk in the church lobby

Please help make a difference at the Academy and the Church with a gift today.



*Please note: unless you indicate otherwise, we will include your name, along with the donation amount, on our online "donor wall".*



### THE CHRISTMAS CHANCEL

While we will not be putting up the large poinsettia trees this year, you still have the opportunity to purchase poinsettias to place in the Chancel of the Church.

Use the blank below to order a poinsettia or two in your own name or that of a loved one whom you wish to remember in a special way.

Please mail it to the church office or call the office to order a poinsettia! Please place your order by Sunday, December 19, 2021.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Or

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the amount you wish to donate for Poinsettias:

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

Payment type:  cash  check  charge

*Please make checks payable to Saint Luke Church.*



Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

As an added convenience you may use your VISA or MasterCard.

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## THIS WEEK at Saint Luke Church

### SUNDAY, November 28, 2021

Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Bible Class 8:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 9:30 a.m.

Coffee Hour 10:30 a.m.

Coffee Break 7:00 p.m. <https://bit.ly/3FjEkI6>

*Room 102 (School)  
Memorial Hall  
Church  
Church Lobby  
via Zoom*

### MONDAY – FRIDAY, November 29 – December 3, 2021

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

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

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

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

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### WEDNESDAY, December 1, 2021

Evening Prayer 7:00 p.m.

*Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1218 W Addison*

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### THURSDAY, December 2, 2021

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

*via Zoom*

### SUNDAY, December 5, 2021

Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Bible Class 8:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 9:30 a.m.

Coffee Hour 10:30 a.m.

Coffee Break 7:00 p.m. <https://bit.ly/3FjEkI6>

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### SUNDAYS

9:30 AM

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

7:00 PM

Coffee Break

Go to [www.stlukechicago.org](http://www.stlukechicago.org), click on "Coffee Break"

### THURSDAYS

12:00 PM

Bible Class

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