



# ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL **CHURCH**

## Third Sunday in Lent

March 6 & 7, 2021



*Cross in the Sanctuary at St. Luke's Church.*

*Our Mission: **To know Christ and to make Christ known.***

*Our Vision: **To follow Christ's teaching in an atmosphere of love, joy, and healing.***

**All are welcome!**

## *Be still and know that I am God! Psalm 46:10*

*Please, as you enter the Church, observe a sacred silence to prepare yourself to the encounter with the Lord, and to allow others to do the same.*

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Prayer No. 64, Before Worship; BCP, p. 833)

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*At 9:55am we begin live streaming the worship service,  
please refrain from all conversations at that time.*

Prelude

Soli Deo Gloria

Camil Van Hulse

### The Penitential Rite

Opening Hymn 372 vs. 1 & 3 *Praise to the living God*

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name  
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:  
who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.  
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.  
The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:  
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,  
the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!  
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926)

Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

## Opening Acclamation

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. *His mercy endures forever.*

*The Celebrant:* Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

*The Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

*The Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, (x3)

*Have mercy upon us.*

## The Word of God

### The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### The First Reading

*Exodus 20:1-17*

A reading from the Book of Exodus

<sup>1</sup>Then God spoke all these words: <sup>2</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me. <sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. <sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. <sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>For six days you shall labour and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. <sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. <sup>13</sup>You shall not murder. <sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery. <sup>15</sup>You shall not steal. <sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>17</sup>You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

## Psalm 19

<sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup> *One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.*

<sup>3</sup> Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

<sup>4</sup> *Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world.*

<sup>5</sup> In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

*<sup>6</sup> It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.*

<sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

*<sup>8</sup> The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.*

<sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

*<sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.*

<sup>11</sup> By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

*<sup>12</sup> Who can tell how often he offends? cleanse me from my secret faults.*

<sup>13</sup> Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

*<sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

## The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

<sup>18</sup>The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." <sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power

of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

Sequence Hymn 628 vs 1, 2 *Help us, O Lord, to learn*



1 Help us, O Lord, to learn the truths your word im - parts: to  
2 Help us, O Lord, to live the faith which we pro - claim, that  
3 Help us, O Lord, to teach the beau - ty of your ways, that



stu - dy, that your laws may be in - scribed up - on our hearts.  
all our thoughts and words and deeds may glo - ri - fy your Name.  
yearn - ing souls may find the Christ and live a life of praise.

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Music: *St. Ethelwald*, William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

## The Gospel

John 2:13-22

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John ✠ *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!” <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking of his body. <sup>22</sup>After he was raised from the

dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

Sequence Hymn 628 vs 3    *Help us, O Lord, to learn (see page 5)*

Sermon

The Rev. Pierre-Henry Buisson

The 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.*

The Prayers of the People

Form VI

*The Deacon:* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.    *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work; *For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world; *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation; *For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; *For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; *For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer our Bishop and for all bishops and other ministers; *For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, *Silence* Hear us, Lord; *For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for the birthdays of Gerry, Marcie, Claire, Mary, Marion, Ann, Susan, Dan, Genell, Frankie & Kimball, and for the anniversaries of Ron & Penny, Scott & Gwyneth, and Don & Mary, we pray to you, O Lord. *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *Silence* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you.*

*The Celebrant:* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*And also with you.*

## Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

*O God, our times are in your hands: look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace. Send your blessings upon them, that their homes may be a haven of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

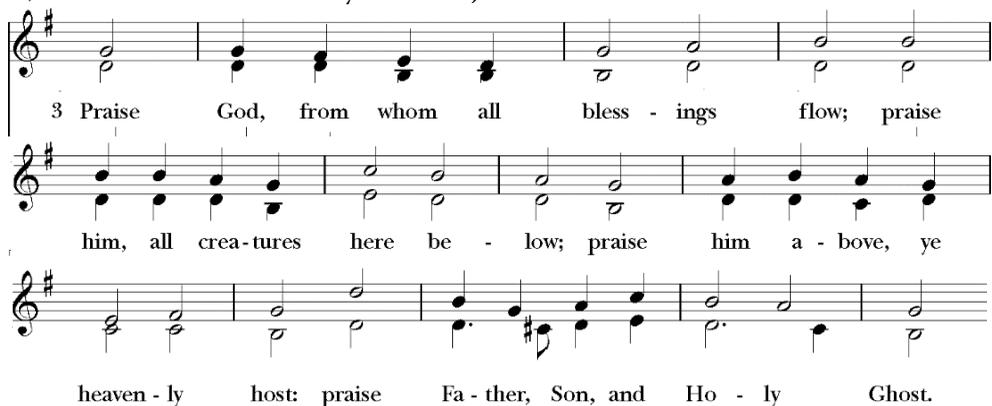
## Announcements

## The Holy Communion

**Offertory Sentence** Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

(5:30 pm) All things come to thee, O Lord, *and from your own are we given Thee.*

(8 & 10 am) **The Presentation Hymn 380, Stanza 3**



3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise  
him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**The Great Thanksgiving Prayer A**

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 him thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus**

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

### **The Lord's Prayer**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us***

*our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### The Breaking of the Bread

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *grant us peace.*

### The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All who are baptized are invited to share in the banquet of the Lord's Supper. All wafers are Gluten-free. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.*

*(10 am)* Let's say the Prayer of Spiritual Communion in union with those who follow the service from home.

*Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed 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. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.* (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

*(10am)* Communion Anthem      Come to Me      Choir at St. Luke's 3/1/20

### Communion Hymn 325 vs. 1, 2 Let us break bread together

1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_

let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_

*Refrain*  
when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

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## The Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Solemn Prayer over the People

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *Thanks be to God.*

## Closing Hymn 436 vs. 1 & 3 *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates*

1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold the  
 3 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a  
 1 King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is  
 3 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for  
 1 draw - ing near; the Sa - vior of the world is here.  
 3 heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.

Words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)  
 Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmodia Evangelica*, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

## *Special Dates this Week*

### **Birthdays:**

March 7: Claire Donovan, Marcie Harris, Gerry Jarvis

March 9: Ann Bracety, Marion Dunmire, Mary Temme

March 12: Susan Schubert, Dan MacFarland, Genell Lee

March 13: Frankie Thompson, Kimball Arnold

### **Anniversaries:**

March 7: Ron & Penny Davis

March 9: Scott & Gwyneth Mies

March 10: Don & Mary McKellar

### **For Those In Need We Pray:**

#### **March Thanksgiving & Healing Prayers**

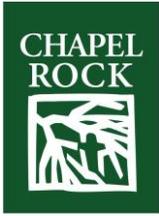
For a Covid-19 vaccine that will put an end to this virus and for all those people affected by this pandemic. Brandon & Nikki Reynolds.; Carol Glover; Etta Parson; Mark Tuttle; Sara Williman; Barbara Harber; Vera Mulnix; Rich Staudt; Steven; Joan Hedger; Doug & Pat Ogburn; Jeanne Miller; Tim Salem, Ed Ausmus, Riley Faith, Christina England, Greg & Mary Bowers, Gary Delisle; Jim & Jan Casacchia; Bill Christy; Jean Ehlers; Larry Neece recovering at home; Larry Allen recovering from detached retina surgery, Karen Kensing awaiting surgery; Deborah & the Delmastro Family, Kerry McClung, Vie Villemure; Bill Johnson; Mary Berkheiser, Herb McCabe; Robert Ohannesian

**For those in our Armed Forces:** Echo, Brian, Lopez, Dante', Florian

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Anthony on the Desert, Scottsdale

**In the St. Luke's Outreach Cycle of Prayer:** Prescott Area Shelter Services, Stagger Straight Emergency Shelter, St. Luke's Food Pantry



March 7, 2021

Dear Friend,

The time for summer camp will be here before we know it. There is a greater need for financial support to the Chapel Rock Campership Fund than there has been in years past. It is Diocesan policy that no child gets turned away from attending camp due to a lack of funds. 2019 was the last summer we ran our residential summer camp program, and over \$45,000.00 was awarded to campers in need of financial aid. The ability to provide that amount to our campers is impossible without the kind support from congregations and individual members like you.

Whether a camper is here for the first time or the 13th summer straight, they all have an opportunity to have an experience like none before. Chapel Rock's summer campers have a chance for acceptance, and to become a part of a unique Christian community. They have an opportunity to explore their faith and hopefully even embrace the love of Jesus Christ and their fellow cabin mates. There is no better time than now to be part of helping children have this potentially life changing experience. Every year, when we read camper evaluations, camper after camper says, "That was the best week of my summer!"

The goal of the Chapel Rock Campership Fund is to make sure that no child is turned away because of financial means. Chapel Rock offers an early bird discount for summer camp registrants prior to March 31st. We also work to keep costs low and offer an affordable rate! Your gift, of any amount, will be greatly appreciated and will help make a transformative difference in the life of a child. Please help us by making a contribution to the Chapel Rock Campership Fund, either by making a cash donation at your church, writing a check at your church and noting "Chapel Rock" in the memo line, or by donating on our website at [www.chapelrock.net](http://www.chapelrock.net). It is anticipated that this summer will be a record year for tuition assistance and we need to be prepared.

Blessings and many thanks,

Kelly Wood

Executive Director



*St. Luke's Episcopal Church welcomes you!*

**Vestry:** George Chesney, *Senior Warden*; Don McKellar, *Junior Warden*; Bill Towne, *Treasurer*; Leanne Bryan, Lloyd Needham, Nancy Reynolds, Paul Nelson, Roger Peacock, Ron Weiss, Don Martin, Kathy Pessin, Carol Sweeden, *members*; Beth Parknowitz, *Clerk*

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**Clergy:** Pierre-Henry Buisson, *Rector*; Kimball Arnold; Chris Christy, *Deacons*. Richard Lassiter; Jim & Susan Schubert; Bob Wills; Jack Wolter, *Assisting priests*

*We acknowledge the living culture of the Yavapai people, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, and pay tribute to the role they play in the life of this region.* Resolution #20163, of the 56<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention