



St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Where all are welcome at the Lord's table

Fifth Sunday in Lent—April 6th, 2025

HOLY EUCHARIST

The congregation's responses are in bold. - Hymn Numbers preceded by "S" are in the front of the hymnal.

During the season of Lent we are inviting the congregation to observe a spirit of prayer in the 5 minutes before worship. As one church member puts it, "Before service speak to God. During worship let God speak to you, and after service speak with each other." You may pray in any fashion you choose. Please be mindful of others during this time. We offer the Anima Christi prayer as a starting point below:

Jesus, may all that is in you flow into me. May your body and blood be my food and drink. May your passion and death be my strength and life. May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross. Let me not run from the love you extend. Hold me safe from the forces of evil. On each of my dyings shed your light and your love. Until with your saints may I praise you forever. Amen.

Prelude

Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein
(“When we are in deepest need”)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Processional Hymn 495

In Babilone

Acclamation and Penitential Order

One Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

Many God's mercy endures forever.

Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our 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 other commandment greater than these.” Mark 12:29-31

Confession and Absolution

One Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for self-examination

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

(8:00 only)

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie Hymnal S-88 *(10:00 only)*

setting by Robinson

(each phrase sung first by the choir, then repeated by all)

Translation

Kyrie eleison.	Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy.
Christe eleison.	Christe eleison.	Christ have mercy.
Kyrie eleison.	Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy.

A brief silence.

One The Lord be with you.

Many And also with you.

One Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,

who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.

I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.

The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;

for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself

so that they might declare my praise.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Many **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126 (*offered by all at 8am and refrain offered by all at 10am*)

Mode 7

Refrain

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad in-deed.

from Gradual Psalms for the RCL, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy. **Refrain**
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
“The Lord has done great things for them.”
- 4 The Lord has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed. **Refrain**
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves. **Refrain**

A reading from Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Many Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or in spirit.

Gradual Hymn 382

General Seminary

The Gospel

John 12:1-8

One The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Many Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

One The Gospel of the Lord.

Many Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Jarrett Kerbel

Please stand as you are able

The Nicene Creed (Enriching Our Worship Version)

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, 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. and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

For the Church, the world, and needs of all people, let us pray to the Lord.

Silence

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all lay-ministers, deacons, priests and bishops;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble including Seamus Ryan-Draco, Parker, Kelianne, Samantha Mossey, John Young, Charles B., Anne Cerullo, Lisa Ferry, Tom Gunther, Colin Beauvais, P.J. Deschenes, Dennis Fontaine, Jim Schweizer, Bruce Dearnaley, Abel Perez, Lindsay Gunther, Steve Mazur, David Boucher, Hobie S., Paula Dunne, John C., Barbara, Ethel Marie, Joyce O., Tracey & Eric, and Virginia Gorko. I invite you to offer the name of any for whom we might pray.

Silence for prayer out loud or in your heart.

And we pray together:

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest including Linda Jean Baswell and Marianne Goodrich;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We are especially thankful for Jean Ann Guliano, Rev. Lee Hardgrove, Benjamin Butterfield, Caroline Tate, Ralph Sykes, and Mark Zartarian who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

All are invited to add your prayers of thanksgiving, petition and lament at this time.

Loving 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 praise and glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Exchange of the Peace

One The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Many And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome

Offertory Anthem

When I survey the wondrous cross

Gilbert M. Martin

Electronic offertory resources can be found on the yellow card hanging in the pews

Presentation Hymn 341 (stanzas 1 and 2)

Omni dei

During the season of Lent we are inviting the congregation to observe a spirit of prayer throughout our worship.. You may pray in any fashion you choose. Please be mindful of others during this time. We invite those who are at home to pray during Communion:

Be present, be present, O Jesus Christ, our great High priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of the bread so we may share in the life and love of the Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

Eucharistic Prayer C from the Book of Common Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

One The Lord be with you.

Many And also with you.

One Lift up your hearts.

Many We lift them to the Lord.

One Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many It is right to give our thanks and praise

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the caregivers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again, and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a Mary, the Theotokos, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

One and Many

Sanctus: Hymnal S-124 (*S numbers found in front of the Hymnal 1982*)

setting by Hurd

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.

The Celebrant continues,

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection,

as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Sarah, Rebecca, Hagar and Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world

about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

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.

Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S-161 (*S numbers found in front of the Hymnal 1982*)

setting by Hurd

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.

One 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 seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome to receive. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Simply ask the clergy. If you would like a blessing rather than communion, indicate so by folding your arms across your chest.

Communion Hymns 715

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When Jesus Wept

Rathbun

Lord Jesus, we give you humble and grateful thanks for feeding us on your body and blood. You held nothing back in your love for us and your desire to save us. Thank you for sharing your life with us in the body and blood of our communion. May it kindle our hearts to love, bind us into one community that bears your image into the world, and give us strength to witness to your way. We pray in your Holy Name. Amen.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

One With grateful hearts, let us pray.

Many **Grant, we ask you, Almighty God, that the Word we have heard this day with our outward ears and the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, may by your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the good fruits of faithfulness to your way, to the honor and praise of your name, through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Blessing

Announcements

During this time of transition, we pray together for our parish community.

Faithful and loving God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Grant wisdom and clarity to the Search Team and guide the Clergy you are calling to St. Luke's. Strengthen the Wardens and Vestry as they lead our community through this time of change. Grant us patience as we trust in your perfect provision. Continue to inspire our imaginations, and embolden our faith, as we look to the future with joy and possibility. All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Processional Hymn 610

Blaenhafren

Dismissal

One Let us bless the Lord.

Many **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Prelude in A minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

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	8:00 Participants	10:00 Participants
Celebrant/Preacher:	The Rev. Jarrett Kerbel, Interim Rector	
Minister of Music:	Rodney Ayers	
Livestream Operator:	-	David Clifton & Alan Hurd
Ushers:	8B	10E
Lay Eucharistic Ministers:	Rev. Dr. Jonathan Malone, Leslie Gunther, Judi Nichols	Rev. Dr. Jonathan Malone, Anna Pilkington, Bill Capron
1st Reading	Judi Nichols	Lisa Ferry
2nd Reading:	Marcia Gladue	Mike Ferry
Prayers:	Jan Prifty	Bruce Stevens
Acolyte:	Judi Nichols	Savannah Kerr
Altar Guild:	Team 3	

*This schedule may have changed in the interim—admin fills in gaps after the bulletin has been finalized and printed.

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Names Must Be Submitted
To The Office On Or Before
April 6, 2025

REQUESTED BY:

In loving memory of...

Checks should be made payable to St. Luke's Church, Indicating "Flower Memorials", Suggested Donation is \$10 per name. Email requests to admin@stlukeseg.org, drop checks in the Sunday Offertory, bring by the Office, or Drop in the Mail to: 99 Peirce Street, East Greenwich, RI 02818

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