

## The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 30 and 31, 2025



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!
We are so glad you are here today to
celebrate with us the day of the Lord!

Please respect those who seek time for quiet reflection before worship begins and while listening to the prelude. Our sanctuary is a sacred place for all to prepare for worship in meditation and prayer. We encourage you to socialize and greet others in the Gathering Hall (entrance hall) and in the Parish Hall.

Guests, friends, and family, please fill out a pew card and take the time to introduce yourself to us. We would like to know you! Let us know how the people of St Luke's can serve you and your family.

Be sure to fill out a welcome card! Flyers about St. Luke's are available in the entry hall.

## **Holy Eucharist**

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#### **Announcements**

The Bell

Calls us to Worship

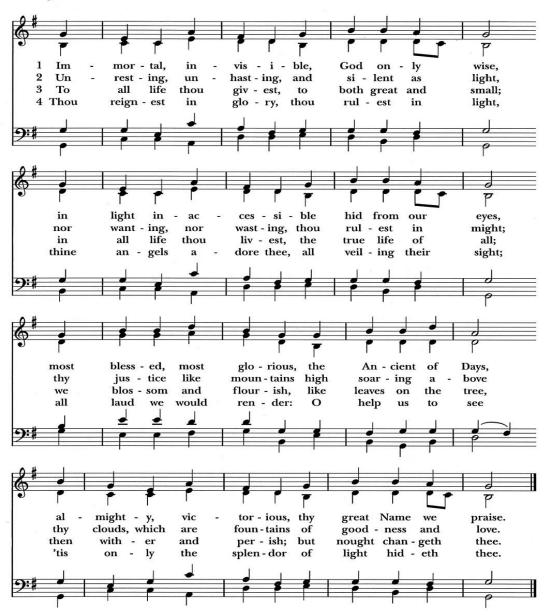
**Prelude** 

**Gathering H423** 

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

## Immortal, invisible, God only wise

The Hymnal 1982, #423



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#### **Acclamation**

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

Amen

## **Collect for Purity**

All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Song of Praise H679**

Surely it is God who saves me

(Spoken at 5:30 and sung at 8:00 and 10:00)

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The Hymnal 1982, #679



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## **Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

## The Liturgy of the Word

#### The First Lesson

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Lector Our first lesson is from the Prophet Jeremiah

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed

its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People Thanks be to God!** 

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Lector The Psalm for today is Psalm 81. I invite you to read responsively by half verse.

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength \*
  and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am the Lord your God,
  who brought you out of the land of Egypt and
  said, \*

"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."

- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, \* and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, \*

to follow their own devices.

- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me \* that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies \* and turn my hand against their foes.
- 15 Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, \* and their punishment would last for ever.

## 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat \* and satisfy him with honey from the rock.

#### The Second Lesson

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Lector

Our second lesson is from the Letter of Paul to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

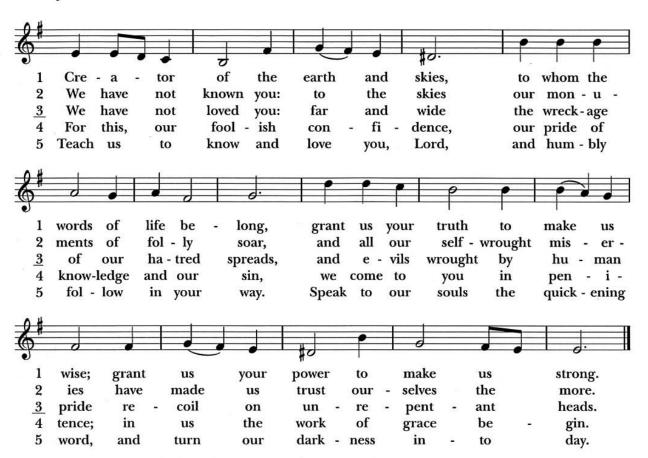
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**People Thanks be to God** 

## Gospel Hymn H148 vs 1-2 Creator of the earth and skies

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The Hymnal 1982, #148



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Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, `Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, `Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.** 

**Gospel Hymn H148 v 5** Creator of the earth and skies

**Homily** Fr. Marc McDonald

#### **Nicene Creed**

All stand.

Celebrant I bid you remember that it is only when we love one

another that we can truly say:

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: (Bow)
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 (Rise)
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

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 (Bow) 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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence* 

Lord, in your mercy

### Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence* 

Lord, in your mercy

### Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence* 

Lord, in your mercy

## Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *People may add their petitions silently or aloud.* 

Lord, in your mercy

## Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *People may add their petitions silently or aloud.* 

Lord, in your mercy

## Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *People may add their petitions* silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

#### Celebrant

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### The Confession and Absolution

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

Silence.

All 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

glory of your Name. Amen.

#### 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.** 

delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the

#### The Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

## **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.

## The Liturgy of Holy Communion

## **Offertory Sentence**

Celebrant

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Psalm 50:14

Offertory Anthem Now Thank We All Our God Forman

## Presentation Hymn H380 v 3

(Spoken at 5:30pm and 8:00am, sung at 10:00am)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here, below.
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

#### **EUCHARIST PRAYER 2**

Celebrant The Lord be with youPeople And also with youCelebrant Lift up your hearts

People We lift them to the Lord

Celebrant Let us give thanks to our loving God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### Celebrant

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say)

## **Celebrant** and People

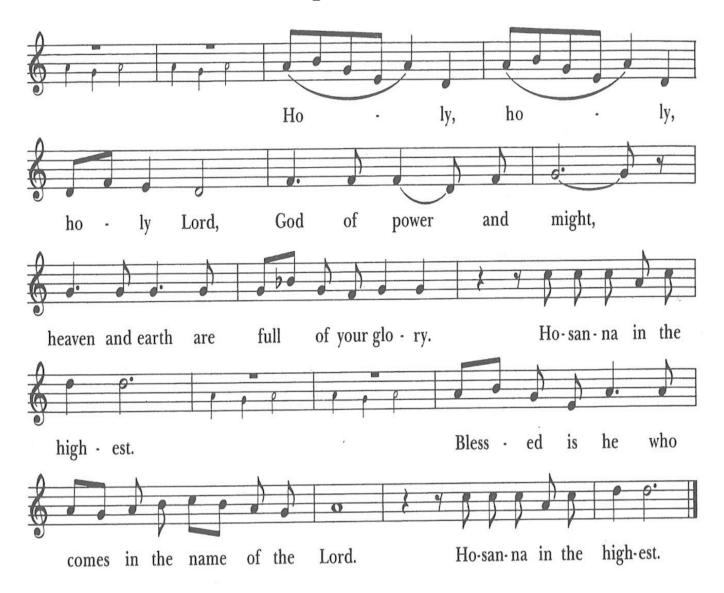
**Sanctus S-128** (Spoken at 5:30 pm, sung at 8:00 am and 10:00 am)

All 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 people stand or kneel

Then the Celebrant continues

#### Celebrant

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Luke and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen** 

## The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

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

All 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

#### 5:30 & 8:00

Celebrant

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

## **People**

Therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### 10:00

**Fraction Anthem** 

(Music next page)



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#### **Invitation**

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

#### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The Table is ready and ALL are invited. So, come, you who have much faith and you Who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, because it is Christ who invites you to meet God here. You are welcome to receive just the Body of Christ or to cross your arms in front of you to receive a blessing from the clergy. (Glutenfree option available, just let your server know.)

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.** The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.** 

**Eucharist Anthem** Et incarnatus est Mozart Sonia Harden Lemke

**Communion Hymn WLP 812** *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* 

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#### **SENDING FORTH TO SERVE**

#### **EUCHARIST VISITOR COMMISSIONING**

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth

bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body

and Blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all

share one bread, one cup.

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

All 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 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.

THE BLESSING

**CLOSING H344** 

Lord dismiss us



#### THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

# People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Postlude