



# ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 13 and 14, 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.*

## The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Bell

*Calls us to Worship*

Prelude

Gathering H388

*O worship the King*

### O worship the King, all glorious above

*The Hymnal 1982, #388*

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!  
 2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!  
 3 The earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,  
 4 Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?  
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

1 O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love!  
 2 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.  
 3 Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old,  
 4 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
 5 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

1 Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
 2 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,  
 3 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
 4 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,  
 5 thy mer - cies, how ten - der! how firm to the end!

1 pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.  
 2 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
 3 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 4 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
 5 Our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

Words: Robert Grant (1779-1838). Music: *Hanover*, att. William Croft (1678-1727).

## **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)*

**Surely it is God who saves me; trusting him, I shall not fear.**

**For the Lord defends and shields me and his saving help is near.**

**So rejoice as you draw water from salvation's living spring;**

**In the day of your deliverance, thank the Lord, his mercies sing.**

**Make his deeds known to the peoples; tell out his exalted Name.**

**Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his might proclaim.**

**Zion, lift your voice in singing; For with you has come to dwell,**

**in your very midst, the great and Holy One of Israel.**

## Surely it is God who saves me

*The Hymnal 1982, #679*

1 Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not  
2 Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed  
fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing  
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his  
help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -  
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with  
va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -  
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the  
liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.  
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944); para. of *The First Song of Isaiah*. Copyright © 1982 by Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission. Music: *Thomas Merton*, Ray. W. Urwin (b. 1950). Copyright © 1984 Ray W. Urwin.

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **The First Lesson**

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

Lector      Our first lesson is from the Prophet Jeremiah

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse-- a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good. " I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Lector      Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People      Thanks be to God!**

## Psalm 14

Lector     The Psalm for today is Psalm 14. I invite you to read responsively by half verse.

- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \*  
**All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;  
there is none who does any good.**
- 2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, \*  
**to see if there is any who is wise,  
if there is one who seeks after God.**
- 3 Every one has proved faithless;  
all alike have turned bad; \*  
**there is none who does good; no, not one.**
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers \*  
**who eat up my people like bread  
and do not call upon the Lord?**
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, \*  
**because God is in the company of the  
righteous.**
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, \*  
**but the Lord is their refuge.**
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of  
Zion! \*  
**when the Lord restores the fortunes of his  
people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.**

## **The Second Lesson**

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Lector     Our second lesson is from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Lector     Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People     Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Hymn   H683 vs 1-2**

*O for a closer walk*

# O for a closer walk with God

*The Hymnal 1982, #683*

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five lines of lyrics, and the second system contains five lines of lyrics. The melody is primarily in the Soprano part, with the other parts providing harmonic support. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The music is written on a grand staff with a treble clef for the Soprano and Alto parts and a bass clef for the Tenor and Bass parts. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a calm and heaven-ly frame,  
2 Where is the bless - ed - ness I knew when first I saw the Lord?  
3 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mes - sen - ger of rest;  
4 The dear - est i - dol I have known, what - e'er that i - dol be,  
5 So shall my walk be close with God, calm and se - rene my frame;

1 a light to shine up - on the road that leads me to the Lamb!  
2 Where is the soul - re - fresh - ing view of Je - sus and his word?  
3 I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.  
4 help me to tear it from thy throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee.  
5 so pur - er light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800), alt. Music: *Beatitudo*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).



## **The Gospel**

Luke 15:1-10

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Gospel Hymn H683 v 3**

*O for a closer walk*

**Homily**

The Rev'd Jim Schubert

## **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  
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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

*Silence*

For the Church of God, that we may be filled with love, generosity and truth so to transform our communities and our world;

**May your light guide us and shine through us.**

For the leaders of our nation, and the leaders of all nations;

**May your light instill in them compassion and good judgment, and guide them in the ways of justice and peace.**

For all who hold authority in your Church, that they may shine your light brightly;

**May your Spirit inspire them with creativity, renew their energy, and give them wisdom and love.**

For blessings on all of our human endeavors, and for the just and proper use of the beauty and abundance of creation;

**May each of us love and serve you in ways that shine your light in our communities and beyond to free your world from poverty, famine and oppression.**

For the sick in body, mind or spirit, and for those we now name in our hearts;

**May your light bring hope and healing to all who suffer.**

For all who have died+, and for those who grieve, and for those we now name in our hearts;

**May your perpetual light shine on all the saints who have gone before us.**

**Oh God, in your infinite generosity you have created a world with resources to sustain all of your children with abundance of food, work and recreation. Help us to let our light shine so brightly the whole world can witness your glory. In the name of Jesus, we pray.**

## The Confession and Absolution

Deacon Let us pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

## The Peace

*All stand.*

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ 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.**

## MISSION MOMENT

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## The Liturgy of Holy Communion

### Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself  
for us, an offering and sacrifice to God  
(Ephesians 5:2)

**Offertory Anthem**      *Canticle of the Turning*      Krentz Organ

### 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.**

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* 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*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say/sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

***Celebrant and People***

**Sanctus S-125** (*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 Holy Eucharist

S 125

Holy, holy, holy Lord *Sanctus*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

*The people stand or kneel*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

## *Celebrant*

Holy and gracious God: 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 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:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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.



*Celebrant*

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 blessed St. Luke and 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**

*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.*

## Fraction Anthem S155

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

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

**People** **Therefore let us keep the feast.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### S 155

### The Holy Eucharist

#### Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

## **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. (Gluten-free 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.**

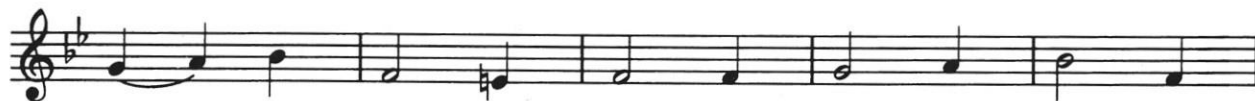
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

**Communion H448**

*O love how deep*



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing  
 2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
 3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his  
 4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in  
 5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he  
 6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
 2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions  
 3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and  
 4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful  
 5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his  
 6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
 2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.  
 3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.  
 4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.  
 5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.  
 6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt.

Music: *Deus tuorum militum*, from *Antiphoner*, 1753; adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

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## **SENDING FORTH TO SERVE**

### **EUCCHARIST 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 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.**

### **THE BLESSING**

**CLOSING H569**

*God the Omnipotent*

1 God the Om - ni - po - tent! King, who or - dain - est  
 2 God the All - mer - ci - ful! earth hath for - sak - en  
 3 God, the All - right - eous One! earth hath de - fied thee;  
 4 God the All - prov - i - dent! earth by thy chas - tening

thun - der thy clar - ion, the light - ning thy sword;  
 thy ways all ho - ly, and slight - ed thy word;  
 yet to e - ter - ni - ty stand - eth thy word,  
 yet shall to free - dom and truth be re - stored;

show forth thy pi - ty on high where thou reign - est:  
 bid not thy wrath in its ter - rors a - wak - en:  
 false - hood and wrong shall not tar - ry be - side thee:  
 through the thick dark - ness thy king - dom is haste - ning:

give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 thou wilt give peace in thy time, O Lord.

Words: Sts. 1-2, Henry Fothergill Chorley (1808-1872), alt.; sts. 3-4, John Ellerton (1826-1893), alt.  
 Music: *Russia*, Alexis Lvov (1799-1870)

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## **THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Alleluia! 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**