

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022 | 9:15 am



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Atlanta, GA



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We are delighted you are worshiping with us today. You are welcome here. Our congregation comes from near and far and represents a wide range of histories, traditions, ethnicities, and racial, social, and religious backgrounds. We practice our faith through worship and service to the community. It is our hope and prayer that at St. Luke's you encounter a caring congregation committed to the ministry of Christ.



Hearing Loop
Switch hearing aid to T-coil

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Voluntary

Rhosymedre

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

All stand as procession enters.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Song of Praise

Hymnal S-236 "Benedictus es, Domine"

John Rutter (b. 1945)

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord

God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____

_____ for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; _____ we will

praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; _____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
 you. _____ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
 ween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -
 5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; _____ in the high vault of
 depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, _____
 you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,

_____ Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! _____
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The Reading: Acts 16:9-15

Link Healan

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Cantor Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Cantor Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

People Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel: John 14:23-29

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Reflection

The Rev. Elizabeth Shows Caffey

A period of silence is kept.

All stand.

The Creed

Hymn to Joy

1. We be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that be.
2. We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci - fied;
3. We be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with - in

Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and sea.
tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied, True life there had tru - ly died.
one Church cath' - lic, one Church ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from sin;

We be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ,
We be - lieve that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave,
in the bo - dy's res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain

of the Spir - it and of Ma - ry born to bring a - bun - dant life.
then as - cend - ed to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

The Prayers of the People

Drew Putt

Intercessor For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world,
we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among
nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For our friends and our family, for the birth of Bert Williams, grandson of Patty Williams
and Beth Curtis our friends in San Pablo Parish in Camaguey, Cuba, and for all who teach
us what it is to love and to be loved, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; for the poor, the persecuted, the sick, for Warren, Joe and all who suffer; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For all who have passed from this life in faith, for Ann Johnson, Jim Harris, Johnnie Inman, and Charles Winters, and those who died in the shootings in Buffalo and California, Aaron Salter, Ruth Whitfield, Pearly Young, Katherine Massey, Heyward Patterson, Celestine Chaney, Roberta Drury, Margus Morrison, Andre Mackneil, Geraldine Talley, and John Cheng, we commend these faithful people to your eternal care in the peace of Christ.

People Lord, have mercy.

The Concluding Collect

The Celebrant prays

And finally let us gather all our prayers into one: Gracious God, accept the prayers of your people: the things we pray for out loud and the things we pray for in our hearts. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All stand.

Presentation Hymn

Hymn, "We gather at your table, Lord"

The Eighth Tune

1. We gath - er at your ta - ble, Lord: we hum - bly lift our hearts to you.
2. We share this meal and we are fed. Such bas - ic gifts be - come your sign:
Here all are wel - comed, all re - stored, and all are giv - en work to do.
we see you bro - ken in the bread; we know your love in com - mon wine.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant God 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 the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S-128 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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 Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Celebrant continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant and People

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.

Celebrant Alleluia. We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia.**

The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion

The communion table at St. Luke's is open to all believers, regardless of faith background. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you do not wish to receive the bread, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Cross your arms over your chest and the priest will know to offer a blessing.

Music at Communion

Anthem, *I will not leave you comfortless*

Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)

I will not leave you comfortless,

I will come to you yet again. Alleluia.

And your heart shall be joyful. Alleluia.

—John 14:18

1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.
 and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;
 Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,
 while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
 and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

All stand.

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God,

In this holy meal,

You have reminded us that we are all your children,

Members of your Great Family.

As we leave this place,

Keep us safe,

Grant us strength and courage,

And inspire us to share your love with the world.

Amen.

Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

When communion is taken to home-bound parishioners, we send forth our Eucharistic Visitors with these words:

Celebrant On behalf of this congregation, I give you these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We send you forth with the body and blood of Christ.**

The Blessing

May you be a new creation, Christ for those to whom Christ shall send you; and may God's blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, and the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Sending Song

Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

God be in my head, and in my un-der-stand-ing;

God be in my eyes, and in my look-ing; God be in my mouth, and

in my speak-ing; God be in my heart, and in my think-ing;

God be at mine end, and at my de-part-ing.

Voluntary

Fanfare

William Mathias

— ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES —

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

8 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken.

9 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. Childcare in Nursery

9:15 a.m. Family Worship Service with Communion

Holy Eucharist for children and families. All are welcome. This service includes music, fewer readings, a brief reflection and communion. *This service will be streamed live.*

9:45 a.m. until 10:15 a.m.

- **CYF Cantina** | adjacent to playground
- **Butterflies in the Park**
- **Last Chorister Practices and Sunday School Classes of the 2021-2022 Program Year**

10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Ministry Fair

Please join us outside along the cloister and the front yard of the church during the Sunday School hour and following the 11:15 a.m. service. This is a great way to get involved and meet new St. Luke's friends.

10:15 a.m. until 11 a.m. Adult Forum

- **Calf Talk Back** | Budd Hall

This will be the second in a two-part series on mass incarceration advocacy. We'll hear from actor Marcus Hopkins-Turner who played the role of Eli "Bull" Willis in last Sunday's performance of Calf. Members of the Georgia Justice Project will lead our discussion. Even if you missed the performance last week, please join us for this important conversation.

11:15 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

Holy Eucharist Rite II with full choir and sermon. *This service will be streamed live.*

12:30 p.m. Lunch and Messy Games

Messy Games is a favorite St. Luke's tradition. All ages are invited to participate. Our youth will lead kids through various, messy activities. Lunch will be a sandwich picnic in the park.

Loaves & Fishes



Our monthly pot-luck dinner will be Sunday, May 29, from 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at the home of Annabeth Balance and Elaine DeCostanzo. All are invited. There will be no nursery at this event. Bring a dish and join us for a fun time! Please RSVP using the QR code.

HEALING STATION OPEN DURING COMMUNION

The Healing Station, which is at the back of the church, is open during the distribution of communion at 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Trained lay ministers will pray with you and, if you wish, offer the laying on of hands and anointing for healing.

May 29: Jazz Mass and Summer Worship Schedule

Join us for Jazz Mass featuring the Atlanta Jazz Trio on Sunday, May 29, at 10 a.m. outside near the belltower. Chairs will be available but feel free to bring your own blanket or chairs for your family.

This will mark the beginning of our summer worship schedule. *There will be no 8 a.m. service on May 29*, but the following weeks through July 31, we will have two services on Sunday mornings—Holy Eucharist Rite I at 8 a.m. and Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10 a.m.

Conversation with author Heather McGhee

This Wednesday, May 25, 6 p.m.



As part of our Lenten book study with Ebenezer Baptist Church, hundreds of participants from both churches met on Zoom to discuss Heather McGhee's book "The Sum of Us." We're so pleased to welcome Heather via Zoom to further this

conversation with us! We will have two viewing options for this event. You can use the Zoom link to join us from anywhere OR you may join us for a watch party here in Budd Hall. We will have a screen set up for everyone to watch the interview together in fellowship. All of the audience questions will be pre-selected so you won't miss a thing!

Please RSVP using the QR code and let us know if you will be joining virtually from home or in person for our watch party!

Join us for Fourth Friday This Week

Invite friends and join us in the the Park at St. Luke's this **Friday, May 27, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.** for a casual get-together for all ages. Our meal will be a gourmet hot dog bar.

Pentecost Sunday: Read in Another Language

We have a wonderful tradition at St. Luke's of showcasing the beauty, chaos and cacophony experienced by the early community of the followers of Jesus when they were given the gift of the Holy Spirit. We do this by reading the first lesson simultaneously in many different languages. Languages in past years have included: Dutch, Spanish, French, Ibo, Mandarin, German, Catalan and Latvian. If you read and speak another language and would like to offer your voice on Pentecost Sunday, June 5, please contact Elizabeth Shows Caffey at elizabeth@stlukesatlanta.org.

Bridge Builders

There will be a joint meeting of all the Bridge Builders groups to continue our discussion of the future of Bridge Builders today, **May 22, from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.** in Hamilton Room. We will meet with The Rev. Winnie Varghese to follow up on the discussion begun on March 12. If you are interested in participating, contact Louis McLeod at lwmc@mindspring.com or 404-754-6855.

Fill the Baskets

In May, our **Fill the Baskets** recipient is **Our House**. Collection baskets may be found before the reception desk and in the Narthex.

- Formula (Enfamil Ready to Feed)
- Laundry Detergent
- Clorox Wipes
- Paper Towels
- Hand Soap
- Bleach
- Kleenex
- Baby Soap/Lotion (sensitive)
- Unscented Baby Wipes
- Adult Soap/Lotion
- Deodorant

At Our House, we are on a mission to end the cycle of homelessness for families. Our interrelated programs address the root causes of homelessness and ensure every family that leaves Our House has the tools needed to achieve lasting self-sufficiency.

Wear Orange, Lunch 'N Learn with Lisa Hagen on June 5

Please join St. Luke's Faith & Advocacy Network on June 5, as we commemorate victims of gun violence. There will be a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. in Budd Hall featuring guest speaker Lisa Hagan, a Pulitzer Prize winning WABE journalist. Please wear orange and join us for this event, which is in partnership with The Temple's Rothschild Social Justice Ministry and Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday lunchtime Bible Study will meet for the final time this year on **May 25, at 11 a.m. in the Parkins Room.**

New Church Directory Coming Soon

As we prepare for our new software launch later this summer, we need your help. If you have access to your family's Church Life account, please log in *from a computer* and make sure all your information is up to date. We especially need full dates of birth, including year, in order for your birthday to migrate to our new system. You will be able to control privacy settings.

Join the St. Luke's Kickball Team

It's almost kickball season and St. Luke's is forming a co-ed team. Are you interested in meeting new people? If so, this is for you. St. Luke's participates in the Atlanta Sport & Social League in Piedmont Park at the Active Oval on Sunday afternoons (game times vary). The season will run from June 12 through July 17, with playoffs following. All skill levels are welcome and you must be 21 or older to play.

To register, please contact Mark Simmons—mark@stlukesatlanta.org. Registration is open through June 5.

Collection for Crossroads on June 5

We will be collecting bottled water and non-perishable food items for Crossroads on June 5, in celebration of Pentecost. Volunteers will collect donations before the 10 a.m. service and there will be a drop-off collection in the upper church parking lot (off Peachtree Street) from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. We will be collecting bottled water (unopened, not carbonated), canned vegetables and fruit (any type/size; green vegetables are great) and dried goods (rice, coffee, chicken and beef broth, paper napkins).

Lectio Divina with the Gospel of Thomas

Sophia Brothers-Peterman will lead lectio divina with the Gospel of Thomas on the third Sunday of each month from 10:15 a.m. until 11 a.m., in the Wilmer Chapel. Upcoming dates include today, May 22, June 12, July 17 and Aug. 21.



St. Luke's has great work to do in downtown Atlanta and beyond. We are blessed here to have so many meaningful ministries. We appreciate your support because, of course, we can't do any of this without it. Scan the QR code to make a contribution to St. Luke's.

GIVE

The Rev. Winnie Varghese
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