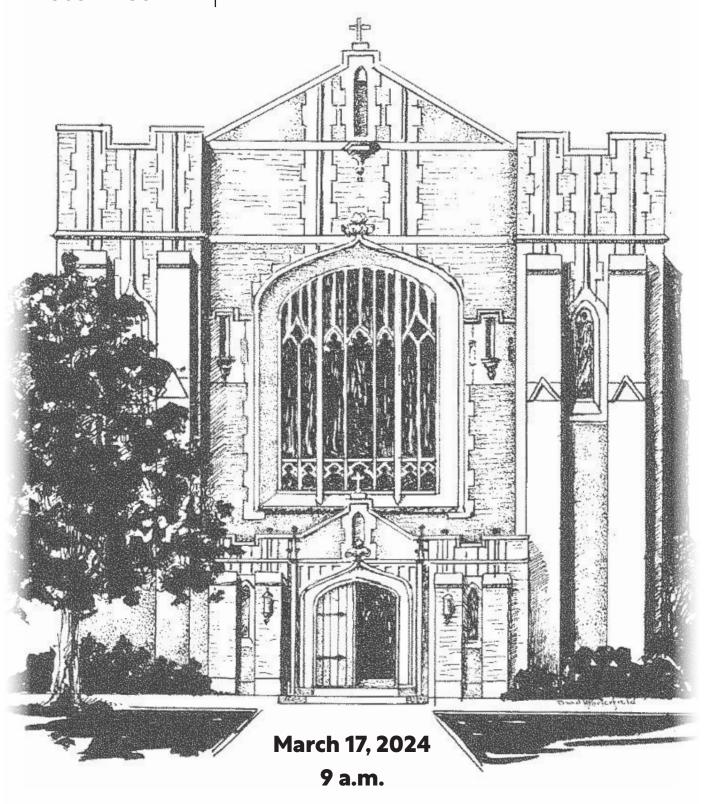
# St. Luke's Atlanta

# Fifth Sunday in Lent

Family Service



#### Welcome to St. Luke's

Our worship today is in the Episcopal tradition and centered around the Holy Eucharist (Communion).

As you participate in today's service, you may notice we use many ways of naming God in worship through expansive and inclusive language (HEIIE). This diversity of language engages our imaginations inviting a fuller picture of the Divine mystery dwelling among us.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. You are invited to participate in today's service as fully as is comfortable for you.

Please fill out our online visitor card using the QR code below.



Visitor Card

## Nursery & Children's Chapel

Children of all ages are invited to participate in worship services at St. Luke's. Nursery care is available from 8:45 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for children ages 0-4.

Children's Chapel is available during this service in Wilmer Chapel. The children will exit the church during the procession and return before Communion.

#### **Service Participants**

#### Musicians

Matthew Brown, *Director of Music* Ben Weaver, *Assistant Organist* St. Luke's Schola

> **Lector** Edwin Dill

**Intercessor**Jane Long



## **Loop Hearing System**

St. Luke's sanctuary and parish hall—Budd Hall—are equipped with a loop hearing system, which can help you hear our services better. If you have a T-coil hearing aid, change the input switch on your hearing aid from microphone to telecoil. Contact your hearing healthcare professional if you're unsure whether your hearing aid has a t-coil. St. Luke's also has a limited number of hearing loop receivers available. Please ask an usher if one is available.

The altar greenery is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Rob Aaron, by Judith Smith, Rachel Aaron, and Nathan Bach.

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All stand, as you are able, at the toll of the bell. Children are invited to remain in the sanctuary or follow the children's cross to the chapel. Children will return to the sanctuary during the peace.

#### **Silent Procession**

#### Welcome

#### A Penitential Order: Rite II

EOW 50

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation.

People Who bears our burdens and forgives our sin.

BCP 352

Celebrant If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if

we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse

us from all unrighteousness. -1 John 1:8, 9

The Confession HEIIE

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

People 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 our Savior Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will,

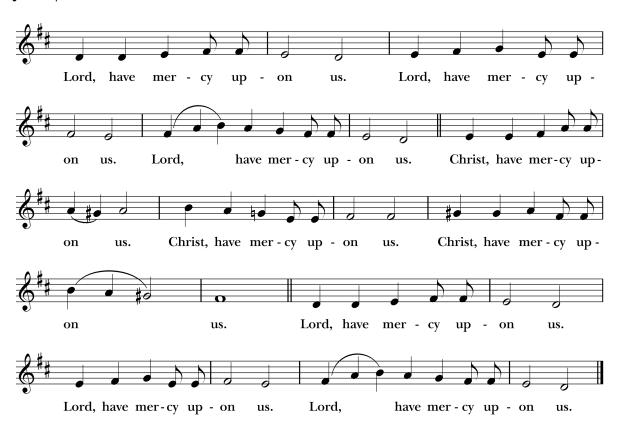
and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant 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.



# The Collect of the Day

BCP 232

Celebrant God be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

# The Word of God

All are seated.

#### The First Lesson

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

People Thanks be to God.



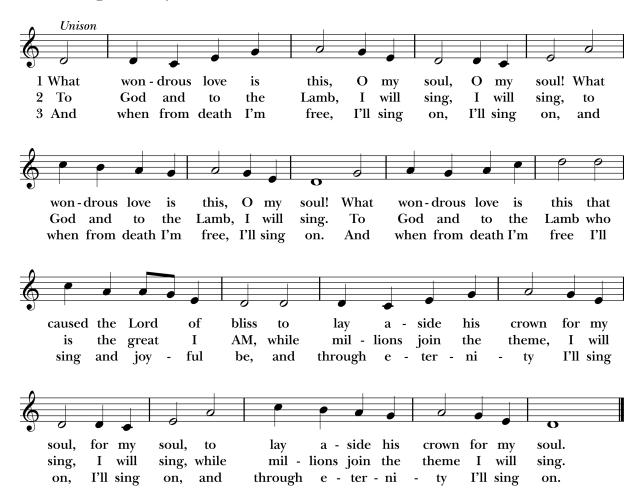
- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-/ kindness; \* in your great compassion blot out my of-/ fenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my / wickedness \* and cleanse me from my / sin.
- 3 For I know my trans-/ gressions, \* and my sin is ever be-/ fore me.
- 4 Against you only have I / sinned \* and done what is evil in your / sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you / speak \* and upright in your / judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my / birth, \* a sinner from my mother's / womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep with-/ in me, \* and will make me understand wisdom / secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be / pure; \* wash me, and I shall be clean in-/ deed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and / gladness, \* that the body you have broken may re-/ joice.
- 10 Hide your face from my / sins, \* and blot out all my in-/ iquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O / God, \* and renew a right spirit with-/ in me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your / presence, \* and take not your holy Spirit from / me.

(second half)

13 Give me the joy of your saving help a-/ gain, \* and sustain me with your bountiful / Spirit.

# At the Sequence | Hymn 439

Wondrous Love



# The Holy Gospel

John 12:20-33

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour?' No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Winnie Varghese

A period of silence is kept. Then, as able, all stand.

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 worshipped 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.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# The Prayers of the People

Form IV, BCP 388

Intercessor 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 to the world.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor 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.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor 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.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor 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.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially, Betsy,

Jennifer, Bill, Peggy, Hunter, Jack, Larry, Bob, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Burgess, Mary, Kim, Liz, Libba, Annabeth, Nancy, Daniel, Marie, Maggie, Lula; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially, David Price Tatum, Sam

Hagan, Claudia DeLoach, and those for whom the altar greenery is given: Rob Aaron, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your

saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

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, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Peace EOW 56

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

# The Holy Communion

# At the Offertory | Anthem

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passion, immolatum in cruce pro homine cujus latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine; esto nobis praegustatum in moris examine. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for humankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed; Be for us a sweet foretaste in the trial of death.

As able, all stand. Children are invited to follow the procession and stand at the altar during Communion.

# At the Presentation | Hymn 321 (stanzas 1&2)

Rockingham



# **Eucharistic Prayer A**

HEIIE

CelebrantGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

Lord.

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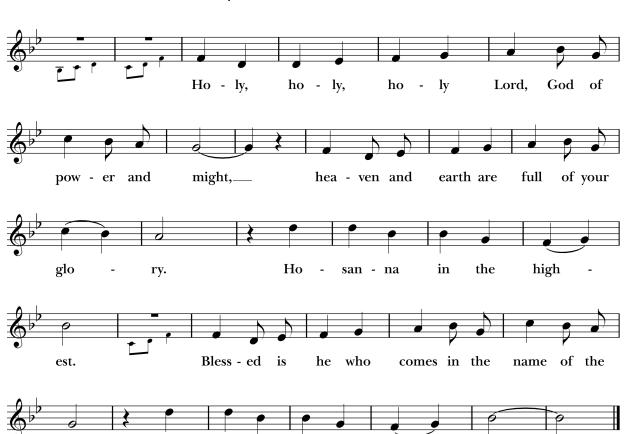
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It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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 and Benedictus | S-127

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)



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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 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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:

Celebrant and People

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ.

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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

# The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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

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

**EOW 69** 

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

Celebrant 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.

The Invitation BCP 364

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

And may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts

by faith, with thanksgiving.

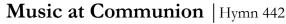
You are welcome to receive Communion. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please cross your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward but would like to receive Communion, please inform an usher and we will bring Communion to your seat.

View me, Lord, a work of thine; Shall I then lie drowned in night? Might thy grace in me but shine, I should seem made all of light.

Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel At thine altar, pure and white; They that once thy mercies feel, Gaze no more on earths delight. Worldly joys, like shadows, fade When the heavenly light appears; But the covenants thou hast made, Endless, know nor days nor years.

In thy word, Lord, is my trust, To thy mercies fast I fly. Though I am but clay and dust, Yet thy grace can lift me high.

-Thomas Campion



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# **Post-Communion Prayer**

BCP 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Almighty and everliving God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do.

to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior,

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

When Communion is taken to home-bound parishioners, we send 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.

# A Solemn Prayer

Celebrant Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the

help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through

Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Dismissal BCP 366

Deacon Let us bless the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God.



**Voluntary** | Toccata in B minor

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

# — Announcements and Opportunities —

#### March 17: Fifth Sunday in Lent

8 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

**8:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** Nursery Childcare (ages 0-4)

9 a.m. Family Service with Communion

10 a.m. Sunday School and Chorister Rehearsals for Children and Youth

10:15 a.m. Two Lenten Formation Classes

11:15 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

**4 p.m.** In the Nave Evening Worship

**4 p.m.** Youth Group for Grades 6-12

#### Today: In the Nave Evening Worship Service

St. Luke's invites you to a new worship offering on March 17, at 4 p.m. The service will follow an evening liturgy and will feature prayers, musical guests, and the opportunity to gather for a meal following the service. In the Nave Evening Worship will be held March 17, April 21, and May 12, at 4 p.m. Please mark your calendar!

# — Lifelong Formation —

#### Sundays in Lent: Two Formation Series Offerings

#### "On the Way" – Reading Mark's Gospel through Lent – The Rev. Gabby Thomas

Have you found yourself wondering what's going on in the Gospel readings when the lectionary jumps around in a way that does not always seem to make sense? If so, you are invited to a slower journey through Mark's Gospel this Lent with The Rev. Gabby Thomas, who is St. Luke's theologian in community, at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings. We'll explore the historical context of the text while also thinking through how it speaks to us today.

#### "Mission and Justice: Proclaiming the Gospel with our Whole Lives" – The Rev. Tony Johns

The New Testament calls us to be evangelists – those who proclaim the Gospel to the world. But, as Jesus and His followers demonstrated, this call goes beyond our words and encompasses every aspect of our lives. Join this inductive look into the Biblical and practical foundations of being a community of living and prophetic witnesses striving for justice and peace.



#### March 20: Final Soup & Scripture with The Rev. Nicole Lambelet

Wednesdays at noon during Lent, you are invited to St. Luke's for a simple midday meal and time of reflection. Members of our community will offer the reflections each week Feb. 21, through March 20. St. Luke's is reading Sharon Brous' book "The Amen Effect: Ancient Wisdom to Mend our Broken Hearts" during the season of Lent and the Soup and Scripture reflections will pull from this book. The Rev. Nicole Lambelet, Associate Rector for Children, Youth, and Families, will lead the final Soup and Scripture reflection on Wednesday, March 20. Use the QR code (*left*) to register.

#### March 28-29: Night Watch Vigil

We will hold vigil following the Maundy Thursday service through the morning of Good Friday in Wilmer Chapel. All are invited to participate in this time for prayer, meditation, and quiet reflection of the Passion of our Savior Jesus Christ. Learn more and sign up to participate using the QR code (*right*).





#### March 28: Agape Meal

On Maundy Thursday, we will gather for an Agape Meal in Budd Hall at 6 p.m. St. Luke's will provide Mediterranean style proteins and salad. You are welcome, but not required, to bring a dish to share such as crudite, hummus, pita, etc.

#### — Announcements —



#### Final Reminder: Easter Flower Dedications

If you would like to honor a loved one by contributing to St. Luke's Easter flower arrangements, please use the QR code (*left*) to complete the online contribution form, or fill out a paper form by the reception desk, by tomorrow, March 18. Names received by March 18, will be printed in the Easter Day service bulletins. Please contact valerie@stlukesatlanta.org if you have questions or need assistance.

#### — Pastoral Care —

#### March 24: Daughters of the King Easter Lily Delivery

The Daughters of the King (DOK) invite you to come to Budd Hall on Palm Sunday, March 24, following worship to pick up a gorgeous lily and deliver it to a parishioner who may be homebound or unable to regularly attend St. Luke's. DOK will have delivery addresses separated out by zip code and you are invited to choose someone who lives near you.

# — Children, Youth, and Families (CYF) —

#### Today: Youth Group (Grades 6-12)

Sixth through 12th graders, join us for an exciting youth group game night on March 17, at 4 p.m., in the Hamilton Room at St. Luke's. We will dive into a variety of fun and engaging activities designed to foster teamwork, creativity, and camaraderie. Don't miss the opportunity to connect, unwind and have fun together. Snacks will be provided.

#### **Easter Candy Needed**

Please consider contributing individually wrapped, small pieces of candy for the 2024 Easter Egg Hunt, which will take place on Easter Day, March 31, at 10:15 a.m. Bring candy donations to The Rev. Nicole Lambelet or Djalia Uwimana.

#### March 23: Parish Hike

Join Camino Pilgrims and CYF families for a hike at Arabia Mountain on Saturday, March 23, from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. We'll meet in the parking lot by the trail head – 3787 Klondike Road, Stonecrest, GA. Register using the QR code (*right*).



# — Community Ministries —

#### March Fill the Baskets: All Saints' Refugee Ministries

This month, St. Luke's will collect items for All Saints' Refugee Ministries, an organization that partners with St. Luke's. All Saints' Refugee Ministries serves more than 60 families from the Middle East, East and Central Africa, Burma/Myanmar, Nepal, and Latin America. The organization offers tutoring support, a Swimming Buddies program, seasonal events, medical navigator services, and more. Needs include umbrellas and water bottles (new or gently used).

Donation baskets are available at the reception desk and in the Narthex on Sundays and weekdays from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

#### Save the Date: Ebenezer Baptist Church and St. Luke's Book Study

Beginning April 10, St. Luke's will join Ebenezer Baptist Church for our annual book study. This year, the churches will read and study Stephanie Spellers book "The Church Cracked Open: Disruption, Decline, and New Hope for Beloved Community." For six weeks, participants will gather on Zoom from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. On May 15, we will be joined by the author. Use the QR code (*right*) to register.



#### - Music -

#### May 3: Fourth Annual Concert for a Cause Benefitting the Hodgson Organ Fund

Mark your calendar for Friday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m. when Music at St. Luke's will host the Fourth Annual Concert for a Cause. This year's concert will feature St. Luke's Director of Music Matthew Brown, performing with the principal players of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, including Flutist Christina Smith, Trumpeter Michael Tiscione, and Harpist Elisabeth Remy Johnson. The concert will raise funds to benefit the Alston Memorial Organ, which is undergoing critical maintenance this year. Contact matthew@stlukesatlanta.org if you're interested in being a lead sponsor.



# Holy Week

# St. Luke's Atlanta

## Palm Sunday, March 24

Services at 8 a.m., 9\* a.m., and 11:15\* a.m.

## Holy Wednesday, March 27

**7 p.m.** The Office of Tenebrae: This service is an adaptation of ancient monastic liturgy, featuring the slow extinguishment of candles and chanted psalms and laments by the St. Luke's Schola.

## Maundy Thursday, March 28

6 p.m. Agape Meal in Budd Hall

**7 p.m.** Maundy Thursday: This service includes ritual foot washing, Holy Eucharist, the stripping of the altar, and music led by the Adult Choir.

**8 p.m.** Night Watch Vigil begins in Wilmer Chapel.

# **Good Friday, March 29**

Noon The Three Hours: This service invites us to sit vigil with Jesus during the hours that he is thought to have hung on the cross and features prayer, hymns, instrumental music, and reflections.

**6:15 p.m.** Stations of the Cross invites us to trace the final steps of Jesus with prayer and scripture.

**7 p.m.** Good Friday liturgy in the nave. This service will include the Passion as told by John, veneration of the cross, and music led by the St. Luke's Schola.

# Saturday, March 30

**10 a.m.** Holy Saturday Service: This brief service of remembrance invites us to keep watch at the place of Jesus' burial.

**8 p.m.** The Great Vigil: This service marks the first Eucharist of Easter and will include Baptisms and music led by the Adult Choir. Incense will be used at this service.

# Easter Day, March 31

Services at **8 a.m.**, **9\* a.m.**, **11:15\* a.m.** 

Music at the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services will be led by the Adult Choir and St. Luke's Festival Brass. Incense will be used at the 11:15 a.m. service only.

10:15 a.m. Children, Youth, and Families (CYF) Easter Egg Hunt.