## St. Luke Lutheran Church

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June 4, 2023—The Holy Trinity

Service of Holy Communion

Our Guiding Story and Mission:

The Road to Emmaus: Luke 24:13-35

As the Body of Christ, we proclaim the Gospel by serving and doing God's will in a manner that meets the needs of our changing world.

## Welcome!

We are glad you have joined us today. Visitors please sign the visitor book upon entering the sanctuary.

Guide to abbreviations:

For more information, please see "News in the Pews" in this bulletin or speak to an usher. On our website, you can find current events and links to our online worship services via Facebook or YouTube. Direct access to Facebook is at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">www.facebook.com/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">StLukeEvangelicalLutheran</a>, or on YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">www.youtube.com/</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">@stlukeschaefferstownpa</a>

Bulletins are emailed weekly, but are also available at in-person services. We welcome your feedback, recommendations, suggestions, or improvements regarding the current online transmissions. We also need volunteers to assist with the technical aspects of livestreaming and all the legwork and support this requires. Please send your feedback or volunteer availability to the Church Office.

#### **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### Prelude

## Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity,  $\pm$  one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

## Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

\*Opening Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy LBW 165

## \*Apostolic Greeting:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

\*Prayer of the Day: Please see Celebrate insert

#### WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song

For all readings, please see the Celebrate insert

First Reading: Genesis 1-2:4a

The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God

**Psalm 8** Read responsively

Ministry of Music: Sr. Choir: Let Us Break Bread Together

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

\*Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Message

Hymn of the Day: O Holy Spirit, Root of Life WOV 688

## \*Apostles' Creed:

P: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

\*Prayers of Intercession: Please see Celebrate insert

\*Passing the Peace:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share his peace with one another. (Congregation may share the peace with a gesture)

## \*Offering Prayer:

P: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: Amen.

# MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ



## \*Great Thanksgiving:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## \*Preface:

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## \*Sanctus (Holy, Holy Holy)



## **Eucharistic Prayer:**

P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

P: The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

C: We praise you, O God.

P: Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

C: We bless you, O God.

P: We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

C: We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

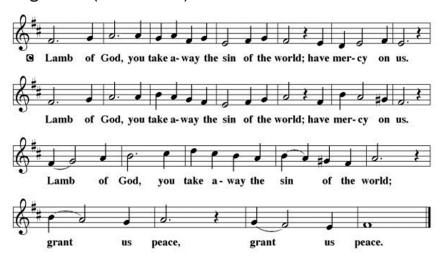
C: Amen

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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, forever and ever. Amen

## \*Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)



#### \*Invitation to Communion:

P: All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

#### **Distribution of Communion:**

All are welcome and encouraged to receive the forgiveness and community that are given in the bread and wine. Come forward as directed.

## \*Communion Blessing:

P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

## \*Prayer after Communion:

P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

#### **SENDING**

God sends us boldly into the world to share the good news

## \*Blessing:

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.

\*Closing Hymn: All Glory Be to God on High LBW 166

## \*Sending:

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest!

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**

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The altar flowers are given by Mike Delong in honor of his loving wife Susan celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary.

## Our worshiping community:

Pastor: Rev. Angela Hammer Minister of Music: Linda Holt

Ministers: The People of St. Luke Church
June Worship Assistant: Mike DeLong
Lay Reader: Dolly Fasnacht
Next Sunday's Lay Reader: Richelle Deysher
Live Streaming Technician: William Hoffman

Technical Assistant: Beverly Hoffman

## This week at St. Luke

## Sunday, June 4—The Holy Trinity

8:30 AM Holy Communion

Temple Talk for Articles of Agreement

5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

## Tuesday, June 6

10:00 AM Band Together

## Thursday, June 8

10:00 AM Band Together

10:00 AM Zoom Bible Study

11:30 AM-1:00 PM Community Free Meal 6:30 PM Beer and Bible—Franklin House

## Next Sunday, June 11—Second Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM Service of the Word

9:30 AM Coffee Hour and Agreement Q&A

5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

# June 25—10:30 AM—Combined Service at St. Paul Penryn Pastor Emmanuel Mchomvu will be presiding

July 9—9:00 AM—Combined Service and breakfast at St. Luke





## Last Week-May 28

Attendance: In-person: 35 Online: 38 Offering: \$1,080

## **NEWS IN OUR PEWS**

**Beer & Bible** - A monthly meeting at a local pub for dinner, drinks, and conversation—join us, this Thursday at 6:30 at the Franklin House.

Bible Study-Thursday morning on Zoom - 10:00 AM online with Pastor Angie to look at the texts for the Sunday lectionary. A ZOOM link will be emailed out the week of each study. Contact the church office to be added to the email invitation. Please join us this Thursday, June 8.

**Coffee Hour:** Volunteers are needed for coffee hour, held on the second and fourth Sundays following worship. Please see the signup sheet in the narthex.

**Disaster Response Review:** Pastor Glenn Beard and those who participated in the most recent disaster response mission trip will be gathering to tell their stories and show photos from their trip on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, in the Community Room at Luther Acres, 600 E. Main Street, Lititz, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

**History Books:** St. Luke History—\$20.00. Contact Anna Mae Grubb 717-273-7035 or <a href="mailto:mrgrubby@comcast.net">mrgrubby@comcast.net</a>.

Monthly Ministry Emphasis for June: Spang Crest

Barnstormers Tickets: Raffle—Sunday, June 18.

## Thank you!

Senior Choir and Sunday School Teachers for your ministry over the past season.

Please contact Betsy NoIt if you have a musical gift that you would like to share at a worship service during the summer months.

## Prayers for:

## Those who are ill, recovering, or shut-in, especially:

John Adams, Marilyn Adams, Claudia Addison, Brenda Boyer, Leon Boyer, Amanda Cupernall, Alexandria (Lexxi) Ditzler, Cathy Dunkelberger, Henry Fasnacht, Deb Glassmoyer, Peg Griffe, Bill Gundrum, Kim Lenhart Hale, John Hassinger, Earl Hehnly, Dean Hettinger, Lilly Higgins & Family, Richard and Nancy Hollen, Christopher Johnson (D Hettinger), Landon Kreider, Richard Lesher, Ken Light, Donald and Sue McClure, Steven McCracken, Casey McGarvey, Dana McKinney, Maureen Marinkov, Harold (Spike) Moore, Brian Navarre, Barry and Tom Nolt, Kathy O'Roark, Gerald and Ruth Parson, George Pastore, Ronald Ream, Lance Rhodes, Landon Rhodes, Al Shade, Barry Shriver, Lloyd Smith, Richard Strohl, Caitlyn, Gretta and Mike Stuber, Robert Todisco, Landis Wenger, Josephine Wenrich, Janet Wharton, Josie Williams, Eddie Wolfe, Marian Yoder, Ashton Zohn.

## Those who are serving in the military, especially:

Timothy Beamesderfer, David Deysher, Tyler Fleagle, Shane Gettler, Steven Ginder, Matthew Plummer, Greg Rocker.

## Congregations and ministries with whom we share mutual ministry:

The congregations and pastors of the Heidelberg Ministerium and Lebanon Conference, Agape House, Lebanon Co. Christian Ministries, Women's Shelter, Lancaster/Lebanon Habitat for Humanity, Lebanon Rescue Mission, Support Connections of Lebanon County, St. Paul's Penryn, Our Synod Bishop James S. Dunlop and his staff, and our ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and Staff.

**The St. Luke Vision to Mission Team** - Kit Ahnert, Richelle Deysher, Elaine Matternas, Scott Rights, and Todd Snyder.

Contact the church office if you are in need of pastoral care.

