

St. Luke Lutheran Church

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October 22, 2023
21st Sunday after Pentecost
Contemporary Service of the Word



St. Luke 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:

P: spoken by the Pastor **C:** Congregation responds

WOV—With One voice— blue hymnal

LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship—green hymnal

* stand as you are able

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online worship services.

Direct access:

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www.youtube.com/@stlukeschaefferstownpa

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song: Come, Worship the Lord

CCLI Song # 17511 John Michael Talbot © 1980 Troubadour For The Lord Music
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Chorus

Come worship the Lord
For we are His people
The flock that He shepherds
Alleluia

Verse 1

Come let us sing to the Lord
And shout with joy to the Rock who saves us
Let us come with thanksgiving
And sing joyful songs to the Lord (Chorus)

Verse 2

Come let us bow down and worship
Bending the knee before the Lord our Maker
For we are His people
We are the flock that He shepherds (Chorus)

Bridge

The Lord is God the mighty God
The great King o'er all other gods
He holds in His hands the depths of the earth
And the highest mountains as well
He made the sea it belongs now to Him
The dry land too was formed by His hand (Chorus)

Call to Worship and Prayer:

P: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

C: So God seeks and saves the lost.

P: Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

C: So God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.

P: As a father receives a returning wayward son,

C: So God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

P: Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

C: Let us receive, welcome, and rejoice over one another in the name of God's love incarnate, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Opening Song: How Can I Keep From Singing**

CCLI Song # 4822372 Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Matt Redman. 2006 Rising Springs Music; Thankyou Music; Vamos Publishing; worshiptogether.com songs; Wondrously Made Songs

Verse 1

There is an endless song
Echoes in my soul
I hear the music ring
And though the storms may come
I am holding on
To the rock I cling (Chorus)

Verse 2

I will lift my eyes
In the darkest night
For I know my Savior lives
And I will walk with You
Knowing You'll see me through
And sing the songs You give (Chorus)

Chorus

How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart (want to sing) (after third time to Ending)

Song continues on next page

Bridge

I can sing in the troubled times
Sing when I win
I can sing when I lose my step
And fall down again
I can sing 'cause You pick me up
Sing 'cause You're there
I can sing 'cause You hear me Lord
When I call to You in prayer
I can sing with my last breath
Sing for I know
That I'll sing with the angels
And the saints around the throne (Chorus)

Ending

I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart
I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart want to sing

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song

For all readings, please see the *Celebrate* insert

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Psalms 96:1-9 [10-13]

Read responsively

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel:** Matthew 22:15-22

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Message

*Hymn: Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

CCLI Song # 5638022. John Wilbur Chapman, Mark Hall, Michael Bleecker
2009 Curb Songs; Be Essential Songs; My Refuge Music

Verse 1

One day when heaven was filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men my example is He
The Word became flesh
And the light shined among us
His glory revealed (Chorus)

Chorus

Living He loved me dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
O glorious day (glorious day)

Verse 2

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish despised and rejected
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He
The hand that healed nations
Stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me (Chorus)

Verse 3

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer
One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then He arose over death He had conquered
Now is ascended my Lord evermore
Death could not hold Him
The grave could not keep Him
From rising again (Chorus)

Song continues on next page

Bridge

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming
One day the skies with His glories will shine
Wonderful day my beloved one bringing
My Savior Jesus is mine (Chorus)

Ending

O glorious day glorious day
O glorious day

*Apostles' Creed

P: Let us confess our faith in 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 Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

*Be Welcome...
and Worship
with Us!*

***Offertory Song: Shout to the Lord**

CCLI Song # 1406918 Darlene Zschech 1993 Wondrous Worship

Verse

My Jesus my Saviour
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Chorus

Shout to the Lord, All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty, Praise to the King
Mountains bow down, And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy, At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You, Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You



Offertory Prayer:

P: As followers of Jesus, who is the way, the truth, and the life, let us pray like St. Francis prayed:

C: Lord make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much
seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

P: This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray:

C: Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

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

Blessing:

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 Song:** I Could Sing Of Your Love Forever
CCLI Song # 1043199 Martin Smith 1994 Curious? Music UK

Verse

Over the mountains and the sea
Your river runs with love for me
And I will open up my heart
And let the Healer set me free
I'm happy to be in the truth
And I will daily lift my hands
For I will always sing
Of when Your love came down yeah

Chorus

I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever

Bridge

Oh I feel like dancing
It's foolishness I know
But when the world has seen the light
They will dance with joy like we're dancing now (Chorus)

***Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest!

C: Thanks be to God!

Our Worshiping Community:

Pastor: Rev. Angela Hammer **Minister of Music:** Linda Holt
Cont. Worship Team: Linda Holt, Sarah Kneller, and Todd Snyder
Ministers: The People of St. Luke Church

October Worship Assistant: Donna Rhodes

Lay Reader: Dolores Fasnacht **Lay Reader for Oct 29:** Nicholas Kneller
Live Streaming Technician/Assistant: William Hoffman and Beverly Hoffman

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Last Week - October 15

Worship Attendance: In-person: 35 Online views: 35 Offering: \$1,124

You are invited to the Temple Talk with Alice Spencer

Welcome Alice Spencer from Penryn to our service today.

Alice will be speaking about our shared ministry in Guatemala.

After worship she will make a more detailed presentation
and host conversation about the ministry.

Please plan to stay after church today!

This week at St. Luke

Sunday, October 22—Pentecost 21

8:30 AM Contemporary Service of the Word
9:30 AM Coffee Hour with Alice Spencer
9:30 AM Sunday School (Children)
5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

Tuesday, October 24

10:00 AM Band Together

Wednesday, October 25

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 26

10:00 AM Band Together
11:00 AM Newsletter collating
11:30 AM-1:00 PM Community Free Meal

Next Sunday, October 29—Reformation Sunday

8:30 AM Holy Communion
9:30 AM Sunday School (Children/Adults)
5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal



NEWS IN OUR PEWS

Thursday morning ZOOM Bible Study:

Join Pastor Angie online to take a look at the texts coming up 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. The next date is November 9 at 10:00 AM

Beer & Bible:

A Thursday evening monthly meeting at the Franklin House for dinner, drinks, and conversation. Join us this Thursday October 19 at 6:30 PM.

Book Club:



Book Club will be meeting on Thursday, November 9th at 7:00pm in the Chapel. We will be discussing *Leonard and Hungry Paul* by Ronan Hession. Everyone is invited for a great discussion.

Coffee Hour:

Volunteers are always welcome! Please sign up in narthex.



Council Invitation:

Please prayerfully consider serving on council. The terms of 4 members of council are concluding at the annual congregation meeting in January. One of those 4 has consented to another term and at this time 2 other church members have agreed to serve. Council needs 3 more people to serve. If interested or would like more information, please talk to a current council member or notify the church office.

Fall Fest:

Penryn is hosting their 3rd annual fall fest at *The Backyard* on Saturday, October 28 from 4:00—8:00 PM. Food truck, beer, tractor rides, pumpkin decorating, trick or treating and costume contest for kids. All are welcome... dogs too! Proceeds benefit the Penryn Food Pantry.



History Books:

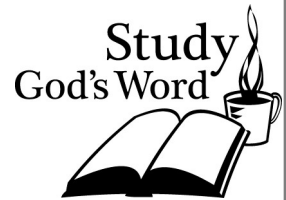
St. Luke History—\$20.00.

Contact Anna Mae Grubb 717-273-7035 or mrgrubby@comcast.net.

Ministry Emphasis for October: Lutheran World Relief

Saturday morning theology and text study.

This will be a combined time of learning and discussion with members of the Penryn congregation. This will occur on the first Saturday of the month, rotating our meeting location and our topics of discussion. Join us on November 4 at 9:00 AM at St. Luke. Please bring a breakfast snack to share. Coffee and drinks will be provided.



Spang Crest Event:

St. Luke is scheduled to host an event on November 15, 2023 at Spang Crest for a fun gathering for the guests. Anybody is welcome to join Linda Hollinger to play some games and provide a treat. Donations for small prizes and gifts would be greatly appreciated. Suggestions are tissues, lotions, small chocolate bars, long necklaces and seasonal Knick-Knacks. There will be a basket in the back of the church for any items.

Yes, you can sing!

That means you can join the choir and share your musical gifts. Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Contact Linda Holt for more information.





Give
THANKS
WITH A GRATEFUL
HEART 1 Thessalonians. 5:18

Prayers for:

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

John Adams, Marilyn Adams, Claudia Addison, Brenda Boyer, Amanda Cupernall, Alexandria (Lexxi) Ditzler, Cathy Dunkelberger, Henry Fasnacht, Deb Glassmoyer, Peg Griffe, David Grubb, 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 Leshner, 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, 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 Deysler, 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 Bishops: James S. Dunlop and Elizabeth Eaton and their staff.

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

**Please notify the church office and Pastor Angie
when the prayer chain is activated and for pastoral care & emergencies.
For revisions to the above list, please contact the church office.**

