



St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

Sunday, June 21, 2026 – 11:00 AM

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(Series A)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

On this Third Sunday after Trinity, the Scriptures draw us into the heart of the God who delights to show mercy. Micah lifts our eyes to the Lord who *pardons iniquity and casts all our sins into the depths of the sea*—a God whose steadfast love refuses to let His people go. Paul, once the chief of sinners, bears witness that Christ Jesus came into the world to save the lost, and that His patience is deeper than our rebellion. And in the Gospel, Jesus receives sinners and eats with them, revealing the joy of heaven over every sinner who is found. We gather in confidence that the same Lord who sought out tax collectors and sinners now seeks us. His mercy restores. His compassion renews. His joy over the repentant is real. In His presence, we bless His name and rejoice that He has found us again.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

“Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost. ... There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.” (Luke 15:6–7)

PRELUDE

Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME

OPENING SONG – “Open The Eyes of My Heart”

1, 2, 4, 5 Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
 Open the eyes of my heart
 I want to see You
 I want to see You

3, 6, 7 To see You high and lifted up
 Shining in the light of Your glory
 Pour out Your power and love
 As we sing holy, holy, holy

8, 9 Holy, holy, holy
 Holy, holy, holy
 Holy, holy, holy
 I want to see you

Stand

*(The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their
Baptism.)*

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Micah 7:18-20; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

P Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and delighting in steadfast
 love,

C **He casts all our sins into the depths of the sea.**

P Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

C **His mercy is abundant, His patience perfect.**

P There is joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.

C **The Shepherd has found His sheep; the woman has recovered her coin.**

P Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

C **He forgives, He restores, He gathers us in His grace.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

P Merciful Father, You are the God who delights in steadfast love and who casts all our sins into the depths of the sea. Yet we confess that we have not trusted Your compassion, nor rested in Your mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy on us and forgive us.**

P Lord Jesus Christ, You came into the world to save sinners, and Your patience toward us is perfect. Yet we confess the pride that excuses our sin and the despair that doubts Your grace.

C **Lord, have mercy on us and forgive us.**

P Holy Spirit, You seek the lost and call us to repentance. Yet we confess that we wander, cling to old ways, and resist being found by Your voice.

C **Lord, have mercy on us and forgive us.**

ABSOLUTION

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us. He does not retain His anger forever but delights to show compassion. In His Son, Jesus Christ—who came to seek and to save the lost—you are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

INTROIT

Psalm 25:1-2a, 5b, 15, 20; antiphon: vv.16, 18

P Turn to me and be gracious to me,

C **for I am lonely and afflicted.**

P Consider my affliction and my trouble,

C **and forgive all my sins.**

P To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

C **O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame.**

P You are the God of my salvation;

C **for you I wait all the day long.**

P My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
C for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

P Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!
C Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C for I am lonely and afflicted.

P Consider my affliction and my trouble,
C and forgive all my sins.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Lord God of mercy, strengthen our faith in Christ who came to save sinners, and gather us by Your Spirit into the joy of repentance and new life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

NICENE CREEED

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both
the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

HYMN OF PRAISE – “Who You Say I Am”

1 Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost, but He brought me in
Oh His love for me, oh His love for me

2, 4 Who the Son sets free
8, 11 Oh, is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes, I am

3 Free at last, He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin Jesus died for me
Yes, He died for me

5, 9, 12 In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes, I am

6, 7, 10 I am chosen, not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me, not against me
I am who You say I am
(7, 10- I am who You say I am)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Micah 7:18-20

¹⁸Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity
and passing over transgression
for the remnant of his inheritance?

He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love.

¹⁹He will again have compassion on us;
he will tread our iniquities under foot.

You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.

²⁰You will show faithfulness to Jacob
and steadfast love to Abraham,
as you have sworn to our fathers
from the days of old.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Psalm 55:22a 16, 18a

P ²²Cast your burden on the LORD,

C **and he will sustain you;**

P ¹⁶I call to God, and the LORD will save me.

C ¹⁸**He redeems my soul in safety**

EPISTLE

1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹²I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Psalm 18:1-2a

P Alleluia. I love you, O Lord, my strength.

C **The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer. Alleluia.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

C **Glory be to You, O Lord.**

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus].
²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable: ⁴*"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just 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.*

⁸*"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹And 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.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to You, O Christ.**

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503
2. **Electronic Funds Transfer**/Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: 1 Peter 5:6–7 – “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.” We have a Father in heaven who really cares for us and loves us. That is the basis of generosity, because such knowledge spells the end of worry, which is the source of all tightfisted greed.

OFFERTORY – “Beautiful Savior” Revelation 4:11

- 1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation
Son of God and son of man
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve Thee
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown
- 2 Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands
Robed in flowers of blooming spring
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing
- 3 Fair is the sunshine, fairer is the moonlight
Bright the sparkling stars on high
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky
- 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations
Son of God and son of man
Glory and honor, praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be Thine
Now and forevermore be Thine

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, pardon our iniquity and pass over our transgressions for the sake of Your only begotten Son, who, out of His great compassion, trod all our iniquities under His foot on the cross, that we might delight in Your steadfast love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, You have provided pastors to preach Your Word, administer Your Sacraments and shepherd Your people. Guard them from leading Your sheep astray. Grant that, through their preaching, Your people may be pierced by the Law and saved by the Gospel. Finally, shield them from the assaults of the devil, who would silence Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, guide our rulers aright by the ministry of Your Church, and instill in them humility under Your divine authority, that they, in turn, would honor and uphold the godly callings of father and mother in our land. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism Your Son laid us on His shoulders and brought us home rejoicing. Give confidence to all who suffer, [*especially* _____,] that they may know that He will bear them through their present trials safely home to the joys of heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, though we were lost and dead in our sins, yet Your Son has found us and made us alive through His Word. Lead us in joy to Your table this day to feast on His body and blood, and grant that we would ever give thanks for Your love and grace with the angels, archangels and all the company of heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, You crown us with steadfast love and mercy in Your Son. While we live amid many troubles in this sinful world, remind us by Your Word that You do not deal with us according to our iniquities, but are merciful and gracious to us. Call us to repentance and faith, that we may take up our crosses daily and follow You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

PREFACE

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 Him thanks and praise.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.

LAMB OF GOD

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“You are My Hiding Place” Psalm 32:7

1, 2, 3 You are my hiding place
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance
Whenever I am afraid I will trust in You, I will trust in You
Let the weak say, “I am strong in the strength of the Lord.”

4 I will trust in You, I will trust in You
Let the weak say, “I am strong in the strength of the Lord.”
I will trust in You

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“In the Secret”

1 In the secret, in the quiet place
In the stillness You are there
In the secret, in the quiet hour I wait only for You
‘Cause I want to know You more

2, 4, 5 I want to know You, I want to hear Your voice
I want to know You more
I want to touch You, I want to see Your face
I want to know You more

3 I am reaching for the highest goal
That I might receive the prize
Pressing onward, pushing every hindrance aside, out of my way
‘Cause I want to know You more

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Stand

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".

CLOSING SONG - "He is Exalted" Psalm 99:9

1, 2 He is exalted, the King is exalted on high, I will praise Him
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name
He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high

3 He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high

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