



**St. Luke's
Lutheran Church**



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(Series B)

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

As the liturgical year is coming to its end, God our Father gives us great encouragement that our salvation and deliverance from sin and sorrow is complete because of the forgiveness won for us by the blood of Jesus, the one and only sacrifice for your sin and the source of daily cleansing, faith, hope, confidence, and love. This faith is certain and full of hope even if your current circumstances would have you think otherwise. As God provided for the widow of Zarephath (1 Kings 17), so was the widow's offering (Mark 12) an expression of confident faith in God's promised salvation. No clearer picture can be given of the certainty of hope in Christ our Savior than in the letter to the Hebrews as it tells of Christ's once-for-all sacrifice that not only forgives but takes away all sin and supplies us with newness of life by His life-giving body and blood all our days!

IMAGE ON THE COVER

And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And He called His disciples to Him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." *Mark 12:42-44*

PRELUDE

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

✠ A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE ✠

WELCOME

PRESERVICE - "Made to Worship"

1 Before the day, before the light
 Before the world revolved around the sun
 God on high stepped down into time
 And wrote the story of His love for everyone
 He has filled our hearts with wonder
 So that we always remember

2, 4, 6, 7 You and I were made to worship
 You and I are called to love
 You and I are forgiven and free
 You and I embrace surrender
 You and I need to believe
 You and I will see who we were meant to be

3 All we are and all we have
 Is all a gift from God that we receive
 Brought to life, we open up our eyes
 To see the majesty and glory of the King
 He has filled our hearts with wonder
 So that we always remember

5 Even the rocks cry out
 Even the Heavens shout
 At the sound of His holy name
 So let every voice sing out
 And let every knee bow down
 He's worthy of all our praise

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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

Psalm 122:1; Hebrews 9:15

P I was glad when they said to me,

C “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

P Christ Jesus is the mediator of a new covenant,

C so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Scripture says, “under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. . . . But Christ has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.” Let us prepare to receive forgiveness and cleansing from God our Savior by confessing our need and repentance of our sin.

C Lord God, we come before You this day seeking Your mercy and grace for the forgiveness of our sins and the cleansing of our lives. We confess to You all our sins, both the wrong we have done as well as the love we have withheld and the good we have failed to do for others. Lord, have mercy on us.

P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

- P** Lord, have mercy,
C Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.

Lord God, as from the very beginning of our rebellion You have promised salvation and eternal life to those who trust in Your Word, grant us the faith and trust in the deliverance and redemption given by the blood of Your Son's eternal sacrifice; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

- P** God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 17:8-16

(The widow of Zarephath.)

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], ⁹“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” ¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²And she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.’” ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 146; antiphon: v.9a

L ⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners;
C **he upholds the widow and the fatherless,**

L ¹Praise the LORD!
C **Praise the LORD, O my soul!**

L ²I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
C **I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

L ³Put not your trust in princes,
C **in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.**

L ⁴When his breath departs he returns to the earth;
C **on that very day his plans perish.**

L ⁵Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
C **whose hope is in the LORD his God,**

L ⁶who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them,
C **who keeps faith forever;**

L ⁷who executes justice for the oppressed,
C **who gives food to the hungry.**
 The LORD sets the prisoners free;

L ⁸the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
C **The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;**
 the LORD loves the righteous.

L ⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners;
he upholds the widow and the fatherless,
C **but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.**

L ¹⁰The LORD will reign forever,
C your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

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.

L ⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners;
C he upholds the widow and the fatherless,

EPISTLE

Hebrews 9:24-28

(Christ, the sacrifice once for all.)

²⁴For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

2 Corinthians 8:9

P Alleluia. You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor,
C so that you by His poverty might become rich. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 12:38-44

(The widow's offering.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord**

³⁸In his teaching [Jesus] said, *“Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces ³⁹and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, ⁴⁰who devour widows’ houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”*

⁴¹And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny.

⁴³And he called his disciples to him and said to them, *“Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. ⁴⁴For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to You, O Christ**

Sit

SPECIAL MUSIC – The Children’s Choir

“Obey, Obey the Lord’

“We Can Trust Him”

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: Mark 12:44 – “For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.” From Old Testament times right through to today the Lord has urged us to give to His work in the church in *proportion* to how He has blessed us. He has also called us to *sacrificial* giving, that is, giving that actually costs us something. That's the shape of true Christian generosity.

OFFERTORY - “The Steadfast Love of the Lord” Lamentations 3:23

- 1, 2, 3 The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases
 His mercies never come to an end
 They are new every morning, new every morning
 Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord
 Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord
 Great is Thy faithfulness
- 4 They are new every morning, new every morning
 Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord
 Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord
 Great is Thy faithfulness

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RECEIVE INTO MEMBERSHIP

Randy & Sandy Hattesohl

P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: “Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.” Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

P Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

R *Yes, I do.*

P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?

R *Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God and the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from them and confessed in the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

R *I do.*

P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord’s Supper faithfully?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you desire to become a member of this congregation?

R *I do.*

P Will you support the work our gracious Lord has given this congregation with your prayers and the gifts God has given you?

R *I will, with the help of God.*

P Upon this your confession of faith, I acknowledge publicly that you are [a member/members] of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation. Receive the Lord's Supper and participate with us in all the blessings of salvation that our Lord has given to His Church, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that by Your Word and Spirit they may continue steadfast in the one true faith in the fellowship of this congregation as together we await the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P The grace of our ✠ Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord God, our confidence and hope of life everlasting, graciously hear our prayer for Your whole church everywhere in the world, especially for those who hold steadfast to Your Word and promises. Sustain all faithful pastors with Your grace that they may deliver Your Word of salvation to all. Keep all Your people in peace and unity of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give all nations and especially our own country trustworthy leaders who look to You for Your guidance in all their ministrations. Make their purpose to provide justice, peace, and freedom to all whom they have been called to serve. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P As we all live out our lives in a world disfigured by sin, sickness, and death, give to all who call upon You for help in times of trouble, anxiety, or illness Your healing presence, [*especially . . .*]. Help all who attend to those in need with Your strength and compassion. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P For all those who have faithfully served You in the past, the patriarchs and prophets, the evangelists and apostles, and all Your saints, we give You thanks. Though undeserving, grant us communion and fellowship with all those in heaven whose victory we celebrate while still in our journey. Give us the faith and confidence to remain steadfast until we hear Your call to enter Your eternal presence. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Graciously receive our prayers, O God. Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

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.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to 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 - "Everlasting God"

1, 4 , 8 Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
 Wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
 Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
 Wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord

2, 5 Our God, You reign forever
 Our hope, our strong deliverer

3, 6 You are the everlasting God
 The everlasting God
 You do not faint, You won't grow weary
 You're the defender of the weak
 You comfort those in need
 You lift us up on wings like eagles

7, 9 You are the everlasting God
 The everlasting God, the everlasting God
 The everlasting

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