

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Series C)

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, <u>office@stlukesmanhattan.org</u>, 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

Unity is elusive. Unity depends not on us but on the sacrifice of Christ for us. The Readings help us move closer toward recognizing that unity. To fill Judas's spot, instead of taking a vote, the disciples asked God to decide. The overwhelming glories of heaven and Jesus' return can be reason enough to act as faith-filled servants. But perhaps the strongest impetus to serve is listening to Him pray for us in His High Priestly Prayer in the Gospel. In short, we need to set aside other matters and pray in Jesus' name. Only then can we dwell together in unity.

IMAGE

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! *Psalm 133:1*

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 SONG - "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Philippians 2:10-11

- 1 All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all
- 2 Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all
- 3 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all
- O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall
 We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all
 We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all
 We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all
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Stand

(The sign of the cross 4 may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

INVOCATION

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P We are one at first because we all sinned. Let us confess our sin and sinfulness to God, our heavenly Father.
- We confess, Lord our God, that we have sinned in our thoughts, our rashly spoken words, and in acting for our own benefit, and not out of love. We cannot help ourselves, for we have fallen from being Your good creation. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us for Jesus' sake.

- **P** In His great love our Father sent His only-begotten Son to pay for all sin and to rise victorious. We are one because of that gracious act! 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. Amen.
- C

LORD, HAVE MERCY

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

SALUTATION

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- С And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, only-begotten Son of the Father,

- C grant us faith to see beyond earthly divisions to the unity that exists between You and everyone who trusts in You for eternal salvation,
- P for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

NICENE CREED

C 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

OPENING SONG – "What a Savior"

- Atoning sacrifice, Keeper of this life Hallelujah, You are Savior Beginning and the end, Forgiver of my sin By Your mercy You have saved us
- 2, 4, 6 Jesus, You are stronger, more than any other Hallelujah, what a Savior Jesus, You are higher, my souls deepest desire Hallelujah, You are Savior
- You are the Shepherd King, You lead us by still waters
 Hallelujah, You are Savior
 You are my only hope, Your kindness is my friend
 In Your presence You restore us
- You are the way, the truth, and the life
 You are my joy and my salvation
 You stood in my place taking my shame
 Upon Your shoulders
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FIRST READING

(Matthias is chosen to fill Judas' place.)

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"'May his camp become desolate,

and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"'Let another take his office.'

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC – Max Peterson "He Shall Feed His Flock"

PSALM

Psalm 133; antiphon: v. 1

- P ¹Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!
 C ²It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard,
 - on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!
- It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.
- 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 ¹Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

EPISTLE

Revelation 22:1-20

(John sees a vision of heaven's perfection and glory.)

¹Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. ³No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. ⁴They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

⁵And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

⁶And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."

⁷ "And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

⁸I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, ⁹but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God."

¹⁰And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. ¹¹Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy."

¹² "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁵Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

¹⁶"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

¹⁸I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, ¹⁹and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

²⁰He who testifies to these things says, *"Surely I am coming soon."* Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

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

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Romans 6:9; John 14:18

- P Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.
- **C** I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:20-26

(Jesus prays for us, "that they may all be one.")

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁰[Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

- 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. A basket is available in the narthex as you exit.
- Please send your offerings to St. Luke's Lutheran Church 4801 Anderson Avenue Manhattan, KS 66503
- 3. Give through our **website**: <u>https://stlukesmanhattan.org</u> /about-us/financial-support/
- 4. Electronic Funds Transfer

Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Acts 1:16 – "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus." Judas sold out our Lord for 30 pieces of silver. That is, he sold out his friend, master and teacher for the sake of greed. That is a sharp reminder for us to search our own hearts for greed and to pray that the Lord would help us to turn from it before it consumes us.

OFFERTORY - "I Will Celebrate" Psalm 63:4

- 1, 2, 4 I will celebrate, sing unto the Lord
- 6, 7 Sing to the Lord a new songI will celebrate, sing unto the LordSing to the Lord a new song
- 3, 5 With my heart rejoicing within With my mind focused on Him With my hands raised to the heavens All I am worshipping Him (©1990, this arr. ©1997 Maranatha! Music. All rights reserved. International copyright secured. Used by permission. CCLI #288089)

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the ourselves, the church around the world, and all people in their various conditions.

Lord God, You desire not the death of a sinner, but rather that he would turn from his evil way and live. Judas went his own way, unto perdition. We beg You to call back to Yourself those who have strayed from among us, and to give us joy to welcome them. Lord, in Your mercy,

- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord, You desire Your Church on earth to be one. Grant unity in doctrine, in witness and at Your holy table. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Heavenly Father, You have placed us in communities and families where we are nurtured in the knowledge of Your Word and in love. May we be faithful teachers of that Word to our children and those not yet of the kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- King of kings and Lord of lords, the nations rage in this world, but You promise to bring peace through the ministry of Your Church. By the proclamation of the Gospel, grant healing for the ravages of war, grace in place of vengeance and life in place of death. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Merciful Lord, You graciously provide us with daily bread to sustain this body and life. Give us joy as we bring the fruits of our labors and the tithes and offerings of a grateful faith. Use these gifts so that the Church may not lack for resources to accomplish Your purpose nor the poor suffer need because of our indifference to their plight. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- Lord, You give us endurance for the race set before us. Grant that we may run the course You have given us in faith. According to Your good will, give healing to the sick, relief to the suffering, comfort to the grieving and peace to the dying. [We especially remember before You _____.] Strengthen them in weakness, and grant patience in their trials. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord of hosts, You have instituted and given Your Sacrament for the faithful to receive the very body and blood of Your Son for their forgiveness, life and salvation. Grant us all pure hearts to receive this gift worthily. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- Lord God, heavenly Father, Your Son has ascended to heaven and promises to bring His heavenly city to earth in the world to come. Give us such hope in His heavenly city that we spurn the allurements of this world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and 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.
- **G** 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:

 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. Matthew 6:9-13

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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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 SONG

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Word of God Speak"

- I'm finding myself at a loss for words And the funny thing is it's ok The last thing I need is to be heard But to hear what you would say
- 2, 4 Word of God speak
- Would You pour down like rain
 Washing my eyes to see Your majesty
 To be still and know
 That You're in this place
 Please let me stay and rest in Your holiness
 Word of God speak
- I'm finding myself in the midst of You
 Beyond the music, beyond the noise
 All that I need is to be with You
 And in the quiet I hear Your voice
- 6 I'm finding myself at a loss for words And the funny thing is it's ok

"Cares Chorus" Psalm 55:22

- 1, 2, 3 I cast all my cares upon You
 I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet
 And anytime that I don't know what to do
 I will cast all my cares upon You
- 4 I will cast all my cares upon You (Kelly Willard ©1978 Maranatha! Music CCLI #288089)

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

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 SONG - "Mighty is Our God" Psalm 93:4

- 1, 4, 6, 8 Mighty is our God, mighty is our King Mighty is our Lord, Ruler of everything
- 2, 5, 9 Glory to our God, glory to our King Glory to our Lord, Ruler of everything
- 3, 7 His name is higher, higher than any other name His power is greater for He has created everything
- 10 Ruler of everything, Ruler of everything (Eugene Greco, Gerrit Gustafson & Don Moen ©1989 Integrity's Hosanna! Music CCLI #288089)

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