



# The Holy Communion Easter Day

10:15 a.m. - FM 98.1

(8:15 a.m. – The Order of Service is found in the Book of Common Prayer beginning on page 67. Propers (Collect, Epistle and Gospel) begin on page 162.)

## PRELUDE

**INTROIT** ‘*All Christians Rejoice*’  
by Anna Laura Page

**HYMN 85**..... **EASTER HYMN**  
“Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia”

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Minister:* Alleluia, The Lord is risen.

*People:* **He is risen indeed.**

*Minister:* O Come, Let us adore Him.

*People: Alleluia*

*Minister: Let us pray.*

## **THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

## **KYRIE ELEISON**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## **THE COLLECT FOR EASTER DAY**

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee that, as by thy special grace preventing [going before] us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with

thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end.  
**Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Exodus 12:1-14**  
**(RSV)**

*The Passover*

12 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup>“This month shall be for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month they shall take every man a lamb according to their fathers’ houses, a lamb for a household; <sup>4</sup>and if the household is too small for a lamb, then a man and his neighbor next to his house shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old; you shall take it from the sheep or from the goats; <sup>6</sup>and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs in the evening.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>7</sup>Then they shall take some of the blood, and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat them. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled with water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. <sup>10</sup>And you shall let none of it remain until the morning, anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>In this manner you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD’s passover. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of

Egypt that night, and I will smite all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD.<sup>13</sup> The blood shall be a sign for you, upon the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall fall upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup>“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as an ordinance for ever.

## THE EPISTLE

*Colossians 3:1-4*

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

## THE EASTER ANTHEM

CHRIST our Passover is sacrificed for us : therefore let us keep the feast,

**Not with the old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness : but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. 1 Cor. v. 7.**

CHRIST being raised from the dead dieth no more : death hath no more dominion over him.

**For in that he died, he died unto sin once : but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.**

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin : but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Rom. vi. 9.*

**CHRIST is risen from the dead : and become the firstfruits of them that slept.**

For since by man came death : by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

**For as in Adam all die : even so in Christ shall all be made alive. *1 Cor. xv. 20.***

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**

## THE GOSPEL

*St. John 20:1-10*

The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie, and the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together. in a place by itself. Then went in also that other

disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

## **THE NICENE CREED**

**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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic 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.**

**HYMN 91.....VICTORY**

“The strife is o'er the battle done”

**SERMON – The Rector**

**OFFERTORY**

*‘Easter Carol’* by Patti Drenan

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**DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH**

*Minister:* Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [alms and] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that

they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## **GENERAL CONFESSION**

*¶ Then shall the Priest say to those who come to receive the Holy Communion,*

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways;



Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

**ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **THE ABSOLUTION**

*¶ Then shall the Priest (the Bishop if he be present) stand up, and turning to the People, say,*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;

and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE COMFORTABLE WORDS**

*¶ Then shall the Priest say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matt. xi. 28.* So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St. John iii.16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Tim. i. 15.*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. *1 St. John ii. 1, 2.*

## **SURSUM CORDA**

*Priest.* Lift up your hearts.

*Answer.* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Priest.* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*Answer.* **It is meet and right so to do.**

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy

glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**SANCTUS** (Merbecke, Hymnal Chant 704)

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Amen.**

### **PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

#### *The Oblation*

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with

these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

*The Invocation*

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

AND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we

beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Minister: And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

**WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.  
**Amen.****

## **AGNUS DEI**

**O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world,  
Have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world.  
Have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world.  
Grant us thy peace.**

## **THE COMMUNION**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.**

***GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Old Scottish Chant)***

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**THE BLESSING**

THE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord:

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

**HYMN 94.....ST. KEVEN**

“Come, ye faithful, raise the strain”

**POSTLUDE**

**IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Members of St. Luke’s** Members of St. Luke’s – Christina Pinkerton, Bob Herrington; Judy Evans, Jody Kautz, Bob Morgan, Judy Smith, David Johnston, A.D. Fraizer, Evelyn Smith, Sheila McConnell, Glenda Robinson, Linda Gerlock, Diane Wikander,

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## **ALTAR**

The greens around the Altar are given to the glory of God.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Gloria Lee, Mar. 5 and Kim Mayfield. Mar. 5

*“Watch over thy children as their days increase.”*

## **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Tom and Melissa McCormick. March 3.

*“And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity” (Colossians 3:14).*

## **IN MILITARY SERVICE**

Please remember in your prayers those serving in the Armed Services, especially those who have connections with St. Luke’s particularly, Alex Mark, Tyler Ketron, Wesley Ryan McIntosh, Christian Wade Newman, Kyle Morgan, Sam Sonn, Marc Rodriguez, Brooks Johnson and Jessica Wyllie Andres-Jansz, Lt. Col. Kyle Yates USAF and Ian Yates U.S. Army.

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

**Sharing Tuesday** continues on Tuesdays at 9:45 a.m.

**AARP tax help.** Tax preparers are available in Thomason Hall every Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Apr. 12. Tax returns are prepared by appointment only. To set up an appointment, please call or text Steffanie Laven at 770-312-258.

**SLMG** will meet on Tuesday, Mar. 2 at 11 a.m. All men who attend St. Luke's are considered SLMG members and are urged to attend. Please contact SLMG Coordinator Todd Lyons @ 772-919-2470 or [trailridertl@gmail.com](mailto:trailridertl@gmail.com) for additional information.

**Outreach Committee Meeting.** St. Luke's Outreach Committee will meet at noon on Tuesday, Mar. 26, in the Yellow Room. Committee members are invited to bring a bag lunch. This committee meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Jodi Beaugard is committee chair.

**Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** HC, March 10 @ noon.

## NEW BIBLE STUDY IN APRIL

Galatians: A Manifesto of Freedom will be the focus of a Bible study beginning Wednesday, Apr. 10, and continuing through Wednesday, May 5.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

St. Luke's will have one service at 9:30 a.m. on Fifth Sundays with a potluck lunch following. Dates are April 7 (delayed one Sunday because of Easter Day), June 30; Sept 29; and Dec. 29.





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