

Morning Prayer and Sermon together with Shortened Holy Communion

The Twentieth-second Sunday after Trinity

10:15 A.M. - FM 98.1

Diana Burden, pianist

Members of the Blue Ridge Tuba Quartet:
Dr. Aaron Schueneman
Daniel Foster
Mike Weaver
Willie Brown

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 220.

PRELUDE – Selected Hymns

HYMN 388ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS)
"I love thy kingdom, Lord"

OPENING SENTENCES

I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the LORD. *Psalm* cxxii. 1.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

LET us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

GENERAL CONFESSION

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

¶ To be made by the Priest alone, standing; the People still kneeling.

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live, hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.

Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Minister: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: And our mouth shall show forth

thy praise.

Minister: O God, make speed to save us. People: O Lord, make haste to help us.

GLORIA PATRI (please stand)

Minister: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and

to the Holy Ghost;

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever

shall be, world without end. Amen.

VERSICLE AND RESPONSE

Minister: Praise ye the Lord.

People: The Lord's Name be praised.

VENITE

O COME, let us sing / unto • the LORD;

* let us heartily rejoice in the strength of / our salvation. Let us come before his presence with / thanksgiving;

* and show ourselves / glad in him with psalms.

For the LORD is a/great God;

* and a great / King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners / of the earth; * and the strength of the hills is / **his al**so.

The sea is / his, and • he made it;

* and his hands prepared • the **dry** land.

O come, let us worship and / fall down,

* and kneel before the / LORD our **Maker**.

For he is the Lord / our God;

* and we are the people of his pasture, and the / sheep of **his** hand.

O worship the LORD in the / beauty • of holiness;

* let the whole earth / stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to / judge the earth;

* and with righteousness to judge the world, and the / peoples with his truth.

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**. **A**men.

THE PSALTER

Psalm 51. Miserere mei, Deus.

1 HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness; * according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

- 2 Wash me throughly from my wickedness, * and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my faults, * and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight; * that thou mightest be justified in thy

saying, and clear when thou shalt judge.

5 Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, * and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

6 But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts, * and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

7 Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; * thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9 Turn thy face from my sins, * and put out all my misdeeds.

10 Make me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from thy presence, * and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

12 O give me the comfort of thy help again, * and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

13 Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked, * and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health; * and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

15 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord, * and my mouth shall show thy praise.

16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee; * but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: * a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

18 O be favourable and gracious unto Sion; * build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of

righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations; * then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

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.

FIRST LESSON – 1 Kings 8:46-53 (RSV)

In his prayer of dedication of the Temple Solomon expresses confidence that God stands ready to forgive ⁴⁶ "If they sin against thee—for there is no man who does not sin—and thou art angry with them, and dost give them to an enemy, so that they are carried away captive to the land of the enemy, far off or near; 47 yet if they lay it to heart in the land to which they have been carried captive, and repent, and make supplication to thee in the land of their captors, saying, 'We have sinned, and have acted perversely and wickedly'; 48 if they repent with all their mind and with all their heart in the land of their enemies. who carried them captive, and pray to thee toward their land, which thou gavest to their fathers, the city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name; ⁴⁹ then hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause 50 and forgive thy people who have sinned against thee, and all their transgressions which they have committed against thee; and grant them compassion in the sight of those who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them ⁵¹ (for they are thy people, and thy heritage, which thou didst bring out of Egypt, from the midst of the iron furnace). 52 Let thy eyes be open to the supplication of thy servant, and to the supplication of thy people Israel, giving ear to them whenever they call to

thee. ⁵³ For thou didst separate them from among all the peoples of the earth, to be thy heritage, as thou didst declare through Moses, thy servant, when thou didst bring our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord God."

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BENEDICTUS ES DOMINE

BLESSED art thou, O Lord / God of our fathers:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ev**er.

Blessed art thou for the / Name of • thy Majesty:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ev**er.

Blessed art thou in the temple / of thy holiness:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ev**er.

Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cherubim:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ev**er.

Blessed art thou on the glorious / throne of thy Kingdom:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ev**er.

Blessed art thou in the firma/ment of heaven:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ev**er.

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.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – St. Matthew 18:21-35 (RSV)

Forgiveness

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

²³ "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with servants. ²⁴ When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; 25 and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷ And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; [c] and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' 29 So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³² Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you be sought me; 33 and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' 34 And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

JUBILATE DEO

Psalm 100

O BE joyful in the LORD / all ye lands:

* serve the LORD with gladness,
and come before his / presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the LORD he is God;

it is he that hath made us, and not / we ourselves;

- * we are his people and the / sheep of his **pas**ture.
- O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his / courts with praise;
 - * be thankful unto him, and / **speak** / good of his Name.

For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is / everlasting;

* and his truth endureth from generation to / generation.

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**. **A**men.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. Amen.

SALUTATION AND VERSICLES

Minister: The Lord be with you.Answer: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray.

¶ Here, all kneeling or sitting, the Minister shall say,

Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Answer: And grant us thy salvation.

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us. Answer: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

COLLECT FOR TRINITY 22

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR GRACE

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE PRESIDENT

O LORD our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; We commend this nation to thy merciful care, that being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, and to all in Authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE CLERGY AND PEOPLE

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; Send down upon our Bishops, and other Clergy, and upon the congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR ALL CONDITIONS OF MEN

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any

ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; [*especially those for whom our prayers are desired;] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

GENERAL THANKSGIVING

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may he unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world

knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

GRACE

2 Corinthians 23:14

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

HYMN (insert).......MOODY "Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,"

ANNOUNCEMENTS, WELCOME...... The Rector

ANTHEM – "Amazing Grace"; arr. Patrick Wright The Blue Ridge Tuba Quartet

SERMON – The Rector

OFFERTORY - "O God Beyond All Praising" Holst/Goble

On-line Giving: A portal for on-line giving is now available on St. Luke's webpage page: www.stlukesblueridge.org.

DOXOLOGY, AMERICA (LAST STANZA)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow:

Praise Him, all creatures here below: Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Our fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty, To Thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might Great God, our King. Amen.

PRAYERS (parish birthdays, anniversaries, military, etc.)

HYMN 568.....HERMAS"On our way rejoicing"

POSTLUDE – "Alleluia" Boyce/Laws

Those wishing to receive Holy Communion from elements consecrated at the 8:15 a.m. service are invited to remain in the church. Others are invited to leave quietly during or following the organ voluntary.

Shortened Holy Communion

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

All persons who have been baptised and have accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour are welcomed to receive Holy 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.

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.**

POSTLUDE

IN YOUR PRAYERS

Members of St. Luke's – Stacy and Chris Johnson and Family, Patsy Williams, Sam Sartain, Evia Rose Cajoleas (pronounced Kajol-es), Arianna and Dakota Key, Kathy Butler, Linda Gerlock, Jordan Van Horn, Christina Pinkerton, Bob Herrington, Jody Kautz, Bob Morgan, Judy Smith, David Johnston, Sheila McConnell, Glenda Robinson, Diane Wikander, Deacon Tony McConnell, Tom McCormick, Rodney Allen, Charles Sims, Barbara Newman, Mercedes Misinco, Elizabeth Ann White, Tim Higdon, Gwen Skelton, Bruce Berkinshaw, Pat and Sherron Dearing, Tom Hoffer, Ann Thomason, MaryLynn Kipfmiller and Rosanne Johnston.

Family & Friends – Janice Cary, Elma Donaldson, Helen Dotson (mother of Priscilla McDonald), Cheryl Smith, Pam Chastain (for Jan Volrath), Stefano Girodat (for Todd Lyons), Stacy Johnson (daughter-in-law of Ruth and Roger Johnson), Janet Thomas and Leland Thomas (for Fr. Rick). Ethan Steinbaugh (Grandson of Diana Burden), Noah, Amy and unborn child (for Katrina Griggs), Jan Newberry (for Katrina Griggs), Patsy Horsford (for the Noblett's), Joshua Stoddard (for Gwen Skelton), Gabriella Calla (granddaughter of Bill Baio Clara Bradley (mother of Bob Bradley), Matt Cross (son-in-law of D.J. Fulton), Michael Briggs, Bill Morgan, Charles Cecil, Mildred Woody, April Weich (daughter of Rosanne Johnston), Bob Jost, and Lynn Grimme.

THE PARISH STAFF

THE REVEREND VICTOR H. MORGAN, Rector THE REVEREND W. A. "TONY" MCCONNELL,

Deacon

THE REVEREND WILLIAM "BILL" BAIO

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Anglican Church in North America

The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Wesley Milsaps, Bishop

EMC Diocese of the South

The Rt. Rev. John Greaves, Coadjutor Bishop

EMC Diocese of the South

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers around the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joan Elizabeth Burgomaster by Diane Bewes.

BIRTHDAYS

Jennifer Higdon, Oct. 27; Marge Krutulis, Oct. 27; Gail Lyons, Oct. 29; Marie Cowart, Oct. 30 and Joan Myers, Nov. 2.

"Watch over thy children as their days increase."

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

"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, Kyle Yates and Ian Yates.

A MESSAGE FROM THE MEN'S GROUP

If anyone is in need of a ride to the polls to vote, please contact Todd Lyons at trailridertl@gmail.com. You can also contact any other member of the men's group or contact the parish office at stlukesblueridge@gmail.com.

CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

October

- **Easter Orthodox Vespers,** Today, 3 p.m.
- ➤ Women of St. Luke's Autumn Study concludes at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 30. Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven by Dr. David Jeremiah is the focus of this study..
- ➤ St. Luke's Annual Christmas Bazaar. WSL is soliciting homemade items, baked goods, frozen entree casseroles, jams and jellies, artwork, etc., for the Bazaar on Saturday, December 7. The women's group will be holding workshops on Wednesday afternoons after our Bible Study to "mass produce" items for sale. And, men, we need your contributions, too. Please contact Lauren Burgreen (cell 706-400-8761 or home 706-781-6198) or Jennifer Higdon (cell 706-455-6263 or iceni2000@gmail.com) to volunteer, donate items, or ask questions.

- ➤ Lectionary Tuesdays' returns in October, in the yellow room, at 9:45 a.m. Each Tuesday, join the Rector to discuss the coming week's lectionary lessons.
- ➤ HC, Feast of All Saints' will be celebrated Friday, Nov. 1, at 12 noon, in the Jennus Chapel.

DEADLINE FOR CALENDAR

All additions to the calendar should be submitted to the church office -- <u>stlukesblueridge@gmail.com</u> -- no later than Wednesday at 12 noon.

2023 CONCERT SEASON SCHEDULE

❖ Christmas by Candlelight Annual Christmas Concert, Time 5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 22

FROM THE TREASURER Summary for 10/20/24

Attendance: 8:15 at 17 / 10:15 at 52 = 69

General Fund: Contributions / Budget 10/20/2024 \$1,253 \$3,123 YTD: \$122,114 \$133,510





St. Luke's Church

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The Mission of St. Luke's Church is to grow spiritually in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ and in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit and to share our faith, our hands and our hearts for the sake of the Gospel, our community and the world