



**Morning Prayer and Sermon
together with Shortened Holy Communion**

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

10:15 A.M. - FM 98.1

Diana Burden, pianist

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 200.

PRELUDE

HYMN 286.....Leoni
“Praise to the living God!”

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 **sal**vation.

Let us come before his presence with / **th**anks giving;

* and show ourselves / glad in him with psalms.

For the LORD is a/ **g**reat 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 also**.

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**. **Amen**.

THE PSALTER

Psalm 103. *Benedic, anima mea.*

1 **PRAISE** the LORD, O my soul; * and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.

2 Praise the LORD, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits:

3 **Who forgiveth all thy sin, * and healeth all thine infirmities;**

4 Who saveth thy life from destruction, * and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;

5 **Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things, * making thee young and lusty as an eagle.**

6 The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment * for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

7 He showed his ways unto Moses, * his works unto the children of Israel.

8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not alway be chiding; * neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; * nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth; * so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12 Look how wide also the east is from the west; * so far hath he set our sins from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children; * even so is the LORD merciful unto them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth whereof we are made; * he remembereth that we are but dust.

15 The days of man are but as grass; * for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone; * and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the merciful goodness of the LORD endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him; * and his righteousness upon children's children;

18 Even upon such as keep his covenant, * and think upon his commandments to do them.

19 The LORD hath prepared his seat in heaven, * and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 O praise the LORD, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength; * ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

21 O praise the LORD, all ye his hosts; * ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

22 O speak good of the LORD, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion: * praise thou the LORD, O my soul.

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 – Wisdom 11:21-26 (RSV)

God's love for sinners

²¹ For it is always in thy power to show great strength, and who can withstand the might of thy arm?

²² Because the whole world before thee is like a speck that tips the scales, and like a drop of morning dew that falls upon the ground.

²³ But thou art merciful to all, for thou canst do all things, and thou dost overlook men's sins, that they may repent.

²⁴ For thou lovest all things that exist, and hast loathing for none of the things which thou hast made, for thou wouldst not have made anything if thou hadst hated it.

²⁵ How would anything have endured if thou hadst not willed it?

Or how would anything not called forth by thee have been preserved?

²⁶ Thou sparest all things, for they are thine, O Lord who lovest the living.

12 ¹ For thy immortal spirit is in all things.

BENEDICTUS ES DOMINE

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

* praised and exalted above / all for **ever**.

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

* praised and exalted above / all for **ever**.

Blessed art thou in the temple / of thy holiness:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ever**.

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

* praised and exalted above / all for **ever**.

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

* praised and exalted above / all for **ever**.

Blessed art thou in the firma/ment of heaven:

* praised and exalted above / all for **ever**.

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. John 8:1-11 (RSV)

8 ¹ Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ² Early in the morning he came again to the temple; all the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. ³ The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst ⁴ they said to him, “Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. ⁵ Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone

such. What do you say about her?" ⁶ This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. ⁷ And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." ⁸ And once more he bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. ⁹ But when they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the eldest, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. ¹⁰ Jesus looked up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" ¹¹ She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again."

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 **pasture**.

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 /
gener**ation**.

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 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 9

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; 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 be 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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS, WELCOME..... The Rector

HYMN (insert)MOODY
“Marvelous grace of our loving Lord”

SERMON – The Rector

OFFERTORY

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 455.....ST. PETER
“How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds”

POSTLUDE

Those wishing to receive Holy Communion from elements consecrated at the 8:15 a.m. service is 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 – Evia Rose Cajoleas (pronounced Ka-jol-es), Arianna and Dakota Key, Kathy Butler, Linda Gerlock, Jordan Van Horn, Christina Pinkerton, Bob Herrington, Jody Kautz, Bob Morgan, Judy Smith, David Johnston, A.D. Frazier, 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 – Mark Nixon (for Todd Lyons), Ethan Steinbaugh (Grandson of Diana Burden), Noah, Amy and unborn child (for Katrina Griggs), Jan Newberry (for Katrina Griggs), Christy Noblett and Patsy Horsford (for the Noblett’s), Joshua Stoddard (for Gwen Skelton), Gabriella Calla (granddaughter of Bill Baio), Arlene (friend of Barbara Newman), Kaylee West (for Tony McConnell), Alina Landry (for Dave Guzzardi), Deborah Ann Gray (sister-in-law of Priscilla and Paul Leming), Victor Palmeri, Clara Bradley (mother of Bob Bradley), Matt Cross (son-in-law of D.J. Fulton), Hayden Birkenshaw (grandson of Bruce and Cathy Birkenshaw), M.T. and Cindy Bean (for Teresa Wankel), 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

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BISHOPS AND AFFILIATIONS

The Most Rev. Foley Beach, Archbishop

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 in loving memory of Charles Russell Bewes by Diane Bewes.

BIRTHDAYS

Kelley Storey, July 28; Doug Jones, July 28, and Bob Emmons,

Aug. 1. *“Watch over thy children as their days increase.”*

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Frank and Barbara Mang, July 30, and Sam and Shirley Sartain,

Aug. 1. *“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.

NEW GROUNDS COORDINATOR

Please take time to welcome Jordan Van Horn as our new Grounds Coordinator. He has generously volunteered to coordinate workdays, special projects and everyday attention to our yards and gardens. We are blessed to have his help.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Eastern Orthodox Vespers**, Today, 3 p.m.
- **SLMG** will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 6, at 11 a.m. All men who attend St. Luke's are considered members. For more information, contact Todd Lyons at trailridertl@gmail.com or 772-919-2470.
- **Sharing Tuesday** continues on Tuesdays at 9:45 a.m.

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 Sept 29 and Dec. 29.**

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AT ST. LUKE'S

Alpharetta Symphony Wind Quartet, Sunday, August 11, 5 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE

All additions to the calendar **MUST** be submitted to the office no later than Wednesdays, 12 noon for the information to get in this Sunday's pew sheet. Thank you from the office staff.

FROM THE TREASURER

Summary for 7/14/24

Attendance:	8:15 at 18 / 10:15 at 52 = 70	
General Fund:	Contributions / Budget	
As of 7/14/2024	\$1,397	\$3,123
YTD:	\$84,143	\$88,989



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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.



5th SUNDAY BRUNCH
September 29, 2024

Join us September 29, at 9:30 am for a fifth Sunday combined service followed by a fall potluck brunch. Fun food like crusty bread, sausages, kielbasa, fall veggies, etc. will be the fare. We will be serving an Oktoberfest/autumnal menu. Teresa Wankel and Jennifer Higdon will coordinate it. A sign-up sheet will soon be available in Thomason Hall. A fun time will be had by all!