Holy Eucharist

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 29, 2022   10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. Luke’s Episcopal Church!
An inclusive, multicultural community pursuing spiritual and social transformation.
Una comunidad inclusiva y multicultural, en búsqueda de transformación espiritual y social.

At St. Luke's, we welcome and fully affirm everyone equally as children of God created in the image of God. Thank you for joining us for in-person worship. Despite the changes in California guidelines, we continue to recommend that people wear masks indoors. And, we mostly pass the Peace by bowing, nodding, or waving from a distance. We celebrate the Eucharist together and will offer both bread and wine to the community. If you have any needs or concerns, please contact the clergy, the Rev. Jane Gould at jgould@stlukeslb.org or the Rev. Dr. Antonio Gallardo at agallardo@stlukeslb.org or contact the church office at 562-436-4047.

Please turn off your cellphone. If God is going to speak to you during the service, other means will be used.
The Order of Service

Prelude  Fantasia in G Major (Gravement) BWV 572
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
David Wheatley

Hymn 450  All hail the power of Jesus’ Name
If you are able, please stand.

Opening Acclamation
Celebrant  Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People  The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria  (Sung Twice)
Jacques Berthier

Collect of the Day
Celebrant  God be with you.
People  And also with you.
Celebrant  Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.
The First Reading  Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. “It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” And let everyone who hears say, “Come.” And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 97

Remain seated. The soloists will sing first, then the congregation will repeat.

William Bradley Roberts

St. Luke’s Soloists

REFRAIN:

The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.
Clouds and darkness surround the Lord;
righteousness and justice are the foundations of God’s throng.
Fire goes before the Lord, burning up enemies on every side.
Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

REFRAIN

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.
The heavens declare your righteousness, O Lord, and all the peoples see your glory.
Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!
Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.
Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O Lord.

REFRAIN

For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
You who love the Lord, hate evil! God guards the lives if the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked. Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart. Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to God’s holy name.

REFRAIN
St. Paul’s Epistles were letters to the early church as believers sought to live faithfully and in community as they pursued God’s mission of “reconciling all things to God in Christ.” Our Epistle is a letter to our church and city as we engage God’s mission of reconciliation here and now.

**Gradual Hymn 214**  
*Hail the day that sees him rise*  
*Llanfair*  
*If you are able, please stand.*

**The Gospel**  
*John 17:20-26*  
*Celebrant*  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.  
*People*  
*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said, “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

*Celebrant*  
The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*  
*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Sermon**  
*Antonio Gallardo*  
*Silence follows the sermon.*

**The Apostles’ Creed**  
*If you are able, please stand.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.
Prayers for the Nation

Leader: As we gather in prayer, I invite your intercessions and thanksgivings.
(Please offer your own prayers aloud or silently.)

Leader: Almighty God, giver of all good things: We thank you for the natural majesty and beauty of this land. They restore us, though we often destroy them.

People: Heal us.

Leader: We thank you for the great resources of this nation. They make us rich, though we often exploit them.

People: Forgive us.

Leader: We thank you for the men and women who have made this country strong. They are models for us, though we often fall short of them.

People: Inspire us.

Leader: We thank you for the torch of liberty which has been lit in this land. It has drawn people from every nation, though we have often hidden from its light.

People: Enlighten us.

Leader: We thank you for the faith we have inherited in all its rich variety. It sustains our life, though we have been faithless again and again.

People: Renew us.

Celebrant: Help us, O Lord, to finish the good work here begun. Strengthen our efforts to blot out ignorance and prejudice, and to abolish poverty and crime. And hasten the day when all our people, with many voices in one united chorus, will glorify your holy Name. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Special prayers, celebrations, and anniversaries

Offertory Sentence
Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and oblation to God.
Offertory Anthem  *I’m Goin’ Up A-Yonder*  
Walter Hawkins, arr. Paul Read

If anybody asks you Where I'm goin’
Where I'm goin’ soon,
If God gives me grace, I'll run this race
And soon I'll see my Savior, Face to face.

So if you wanna know Where I’m goin’
Where I’m goin’ real soon,
I'm goin' up yonder, I'm goin' up yonder
I'm goin' up yonder, To be with my Lord.

I'm goin' up yonder, I'm goin' up yonder
I'm goin' up yonder, To be with my Lord.
I'm goin' up yonder, I'm goin' up yonder
I'm goin' up yonder, To be with my Lord.

If I can take the pain, The heartache that it brings
There’s comfort that in knowing
If anybody asks you, Where I’m goin’
I’m goin’ soon, If you wanna know,
I'll soon be home.
Where I’m goin’, Goin’ home.

During the anthem, please support the parish by contributing financially to the mission and ministry of St. Luke’s / San Lucas. You may contribute electronically by scanning the QR code to the right, or by placing your offering in the plate as it is passed.

Offertory Hymn 608  *Eternal Father Strong to Save*  
Melita
The Holy Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving  Eucharistic Prayer C
Please kneel as you are able.

Celebrant  The Lord be with you.
People    And also with you.

Celebrant  Lift up your hearts.
People    We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People    It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds.
God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace. By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:
If you are able, please remain standing.

And so, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**
Lord God of our ancestors: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Hannah, Miriam, Deborah, and Mary; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

The Breaking of the Bread  The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.
Celebrant  Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People  Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant  The Gifts of God for the People of God. This is the Lord’s Table,
and all are welcome here.
The Holy Communion
Whoever you are and wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. According to the guidelines of the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles, we will offer both bread and wine to the community gathered for worship. To receive Communion, please form a line down the center aisle as the ushers invite your row. When you reach the altar rail, use the entire rail to stand or kneel to receive the bread, which will be placed in your hands; gluten free wafers are available. Anyone with mobility issues is welcome to remain standing in the center, or stay seated and have the clergy bring Communion to you. Although bread alone constitutes full reception of Communion and no one need receive wine, those who wish to receive wine may drink from the Common Cup or take an individual serving from a small cup. Intinction, or dipping wafers in the Common Cup, is not allowed according to Diocesan health safety protocols. If you desire a Blessing rather than receiving the bread or the wine, cross your arms on your chest. Please return to your pew by the side aisles.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion
Those participating in the live streamed service and therefore not able to receive communion may wish to say the following prayer in recognition that the desire to receive communion carries the same spiritual benefits as actually consuming the consecrated elements.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have instituted for us a great sacrament in your promise of life and love, which we remember now as we hear your words again: “This is my body; this is my blood — given for you.” Feed us in our hearts with faith and trust, draw us closer to you and to each other, and strengthen us for service to our neighbor. We come before you now, with hearts you have fed all our lives with the promise that you have given yourself for us. Keep us strong in that faith until we can meet at your table again. Amen.

Communion Anthem Tell My Father

Tell my father that his son didn’t run or surrender.
That I bore his name with pride as I tried to remember
you are judged by what you do while passing through.

As I rest ‘neath fields of green, let him lean on my shoulder
Tell him how I spent my youth so the truth could grow older
Tell my father when you can, I was a man.

Tell him we will meet again where the angels learn to fly.
Tell him we will meet as men, for with honor did I die.
Tell him how I wore the blue, proud and true, through the fire.
Tell my father so he’ll know, I love him so.

Tell him we will meet again where the angels learn to fly.
Tell him we will meet as men, for with honor did I die.
Tell him how I wore the blue, proud and true, through the fire.
Tell my father not to cry, then say goodbye.
The Thanksgiving after Communion

Celebrant  Let us pray.

People     Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Announcements

Hymn 477  All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine  
Engelberg

If you are able, please stand.

Dismissal

Deacon  Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People  Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude  Sonata  
Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)
David Wheatley

WE PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

For all those who have asked for our prayers:
Amos, Debra, Kim, Shelley, Stacy, Beryl, Gary, Charlotte, Jason, Michelle, Debbie, Joan, Phil, Christine, Carol, Roger, Tom, BreeAnna, David, Claire, Rick, Elva, Carol, Jackie, Jassa, James, Robbie, Rev. Mary Jo, Jill, Diana, Leah, Luis Eduardo, Kathy, Barbara, Lori, Ismael. For our homeless siblings. For all those whose lives and livelihoods are affected by COVID-19. For the people of Ukraine and all those working to maintain peace. For all refugees and immigrants. For an end to violence of all kinds.

For those who have died – Audrey, Cheryl, Doug Tolbert, Deming di Gari

For the church – For Michael our Presiding Bishop; our Bishop John; for our clergy: Jane, Antonio, Dean, Beryl, and Steve; for our Vestry and staff.

**If this is your first time visiting us, please fill out the yellow Visitors Card found in the front of your pew or at the back of the church. We would love to get to know you and keep you informed of the many activities happening at St. Luke's! Cards may be placed in the offertory plate or given to an usher.**

Today’s Coffee Hour is hosted by the Bible Study Group.
CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK (MAY 29 – JUNE 5)

Check the weekly newsletter for more information.

SUNDAY, MAY 29
8am – Holy Eucharist in English
8am – Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:45am – Sunday School (Building A)
10am – Holy Eucharist in English
12:30pm – Misa en Español
5:00pm – Youth Group at Julie Von Pelz’s (351 Santa Ana Avenue)

MONDAY, MAY 30
Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

TUESDAY, MAY 31
6:00pm – Episcopal Church 101 (Zoom)

THURSDAY, JUNE 2
10:00am – Healing Eucharist (Chapel)
10:45am – Bible Study (Commins Room)
6:00pm – Baptism Prep Class (Zoom)

FRIDAY, JUNE 3
4:00pm – Tea & Talk (Zoom)

SATURDAY, JUNE 4
7:30am-Noon – Showers, Clothing, & Food
Contact: Gail Mutke (gamutke@verizon.net)

SUNDAY, JUNE 5 | DAY OF PENTECOST
8am – Holy Eucharist in English
8am – Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:45am – Sunday School (Building A)
11am – Bilingual Eucharist
12:30pm – Community Building Coffee Hour

COMING CELEBRATE PENTECOST WITH ST. LUKE’S!

SUNDAY, JUNE 5
11:00AM
**EPISCOPAL CHURCH 101 — MAY 31**
If you are interested in deepening your relationship with St. Luke’s or learning more about the Episcopal Church, Come to Episcopal Church Basics on May 31 6:00-7:30pm on Zoom!

**BAPTISMS ON PENTECOST—JUNE 5!**
If you feel called to join the Jesus Movement, a community of learners and disciples that has strived for peace and justice in the world for more than 2,000 years, come and be baptized this Pentecost. Please contact the office this week to complete the registration form (562-436-4047). If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Jane or Rev. Antonio.

**JOIN ST. LUKE’S ON PENTECOST—JUNE 5!**
If you want to join St. Luke’s, we will welcome new members on Pentecost. Even if you’ve been worshiping at St. Luke’s for years, it’s never too late to join. Please complete a registration form in the Narthex TODAY!

**HONORING YOUR NATIVE LANGUAGE THIS PENTECOST**
We would like to celebrate the diversity of languages on Pentecost Day. If you speak a language other than English or Spanish, and would like to honor your roots, talk to Rev. Antonio this week. He thinks we have more than 20 languages (including native languages) in our community that we can hear and celebrate at the Pentecost’s bilingual service.

**WEAR RED FOR PENTECOST!**
On Pentecost, when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church, we wear RED! Dresses, pants, shirts, shoes, face masks… WEAR RED as we give thanks for the tongues fire that set the world on fire 2,000 years ago!

**WELCOME BRUNCH—JUNE 12 AT 11:30AM**
Each week, as we invite people to Communion, we say: “This is the Lord’s Table and all are welcome here.” We mean that you are welcome in worship, in fellowship, in service, in formation—you are welcome as siblings in Christ! And, we want to get to know you and have you become more deeply connected in the St. Luke’s community. **On June 12 (between worship at 10:00 and 12:30) Come to our Welcome Brunch!** Anyone who is new, wanting to learn more about St. Luke’s, or wanting to become more involved in St. Luke’s life is encouraged to join church leaders for an hour of food, conversation, and community.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – Sunday, June 12 from 9am-3pm**
Blood donation sign ups will be available today between 10am and 12:30pm worship services in the church courtyard.