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, beginning April 10, 2022, 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  Sonata No 1
Johann Pezel
Brass Quintet

Hymn 207  Jesus Christ is risen today
If you are able, please stand.
Easter Hymn

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
Robert Powell

1. Gloria to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy
Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord’s resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading Isaiah 65:17-25

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. Thanks be to God.
Psalm 118:14-17, 22-23

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

Peter R. Hallock
St. Luke’s Soloists

REFRAIN:

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.
There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous.
REFRAIN

“The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!
The right hand of the Lord is exalted!
The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”
I shall not die, but live, and declare the word of the Lord.
REFRAIN

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.
REFRAIN

The Second Reading Acts 10:34-43


Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.

That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Thanks be to God.
Hymn 178 Alleluia, alleluia!
If you are able, please stand.

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Give Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth: He is the King of creation.
Jesus has died and has risen.


Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Silence follows the sermon.

The Rev. Jane Gould
Nicene Creed  If you are able, please stand.
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
    maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
    the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
    God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
    begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
    through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
    was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
    he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
    he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
    and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
    who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
    who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
    who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
    and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People  
The Leader and People pray responsively  
Leader  Risen Lord, you greeted all you met with a word of peace; give us your Spirit to pray for peace for all people.  
For those overcome by war, violence, and degradation:  
Peace be with them.  
For those possessed by envy, rage, and hatred:  
Peace be with them.  
For those overwhelmed by fear, illness, loss, and despair:  
Peace be with them.  
For those who work at the centers of power and those who live on the margins:  
Peace be with them.  
For those who desecrate the earth and those who cherish creation:  
Peace be with them.  
For those held down by sin and those lifted up by grace:  
Peace be with them.  
For those who have betrayed our trust and for those we have wronged:  
Peace be with them.  
For our friends and all who warm us with love:  
Peace be with them.
For those who show God’s love by caring for God’s people and all creation:  
**Peace be with them.**

For those in whose memory the altar flowers are given and for all who have died:  
**Peace be with them.**

For those whose joys and concerns we now raise up in prayer and thanksgiving.  
*(please add your prayers and thanksgivings at this time)*

For those we have named aloud and those we hold in our hearts:  
**Peace be with them.**

*Celebrant:*  Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, “Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you.” Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

**The Peace**

*Celebrant*  The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*People*  And also with you.

**Special prayers, celebrations, and anniversaries**

**Offertory Sentence**

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to God.

**Offertory Anthem  Gloria**  
*Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)*

*(sung in Latin)*

The Lord is risen, rejoice thee, Alleluia! Away with darkness, away with gloom, with all the morning stars we sing. The Lord is risen…  
Christ is risen, he is risen as He foretold. Jesus our Lord is risen. Alleluia!

Queen of Heaven rejoice, alleluia! For he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia!  
Has arisen as he said, alleluia! Pray for us to God, alleluia!

*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.*

**Presentation  Pié Jesu**  
*Gabriel Fauré  
Brass Quintet*
The Holy Eucharist

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

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds.
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:
Sanctus

Franz Schubert

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

_Celebrant and People_

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

_The Celebrant continues_

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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!

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 *Laudate Dominum*  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)  
Lauryn Jessup, Soprano Soloist

Praise the Lord, all nations;  
Praise Him, all people.  
For He has bestowed  
His mercy upon us,  
And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever,  
and for generations of generations.  
Amen.

Communion Hymn *He Lives*  
Alfred H. Ackley

1. I serve a risen Savior, He’s in the world today;  
   And just the time I need Him—He’s always near.  
   He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!

2. In all the world around me I see His loving care;  
   The day of His appearing will come at last.  
   He walks with me and talks with me along life’s narrow way.

3. Rejoice, rejoice. O Christian, lift up your voice and sing;  
   None other is so loving, so good and kind.  
   He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!

   Glory to the Father and to the Son  
   as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever,  
   and for generations of generations.  
   Amen.
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 Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Remember, my friend, that life is short, and we don’t have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of New Life be with you this day and always. Amen.

Announcements

Hymn 208 The strife is o’er, the battle done Victory
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 Toccata (From Symphony No. 5) Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)
                         David Tinoco

                         Brass Quintet
                         Tatiana Giesler and Jeremy Rodriguez – trumpets
                         Allison DeMeule – horn
                         Robert Verdugo – trombone
                         Nathan Tang – tuba
WE PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

For Frankie, Grizli, Rajni, and Nancy who were baptized at our Easter Vigil.

For all those who have asked for our prayers:
Amos, Debra, Kim, Shelley, Stacy, Beryl, Gary, Charlotte, Jason, Deming, Michelle, Debbie, Joan, Phil, Christine, Carol, Roger, Tom, BreeAnna, David, Claire, Rick, Elva, Carol, Jackie, Jassa, James, Robbie, Rev. Mary Jo, Audrey, Jill, Diana, Leah, We the Conduits.

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 the church – For Michael our Presiding Bishop; our Bishop John;
for our clergy: Jane, Antonio, Dean, Beryl, Peter, 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 Ramon Joson & Mark Fretland.
The Dedications

Read them with Love... for those who provided them.
Read them with Peace... for those who now do not suffer.
Read them with Joy... for those who celebrate!

Frank Hotchkiss
Dorothy Baker
Maryann, Patty, Mal, Myrl, Mary, Tom, Shelby, Glenda
Rev. Beryl Nyre-Thomas
Mary Hatchett
Tom Sanford
Shalimar Mazegue
Tina Guidotti
The parents of Lucille Sevigny & Vilma Levy
The precious progeny of Glenn & Joyce Howard
The Rt. Rev. M Thomas Shaw SSJE
The Rev. Jack Bishop
The Rev. Ann Brewster Jones
Elizabeth Soyster
Eliza Soyster
Susan Richards
In gratitude for the gift of family