Holy Eucharist

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 4, 2021    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 as we resume in-person worship. Despite the changes in California guidelines, we continue to recommend that people wear masks indoors. And, we will pass the Peace by bowing, nodding, or waving from a distance. We will celebrate the Eucharist together, and the bread of Holy Communion will be given to all who would like to share in receiving the body of Christ. If you have any needs or concerns, please contact the clergy, the Rev. Jane Gould at jgould@stlukeslb.org or the Rev. Nancy Frausto at revnancy@stlukeslb.org or 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  *Blest Be The Tie That Binds Us Together*  
Bob Gillman, arr. Mark Hayes  
Dr. Eveline Eng

Hymn  *637 (v.1-3) How firm a foundation*  
*Lyons*

Opening Acclamation  *Please stand.*

*Celebrant*  Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People*  Glory to God forever and ever.

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.

Hymn  *We have come into His house*  
Bruce Ballinger
Collect of the Day

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

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading  2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

A reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, “Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.” So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years. David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inward. And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. Thanks be to God.
Psalm 48
The soloist will sing first, then the congregation will repeat.

REFRAIN:

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised in the city of our God, on the Lord’s holy mountain. Beautiful and lofty, the joy of all the earth, is Mount Zion, the summit of the north and city of the great king. God is in the citadels of Jerusalem; revealed to be the sure refuge of the city.

REFRAIN

Behold, the kings assembled and marched forward together. As they looked they were astounded; dismayed, they fled in terror. Trembling seized them there; they writhed like a woman in childbirth; with an east wind you shattered them like the ships of Tarshish.

REFRAIN

As we have heard, so have we seen, in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God—may God establish it forever! In the midst of your temple, O God, we meditate on your steadfast love. Your praise, like your name, O God, reaches to the ends of the earth; Your right hand is full of righteousness. Let Mount Zion be glad and the towns of Judah rejoice, because of your judgements.

REFRAIN

Make the circuit of Zion; walk round about it; count the number of the city’s towers. Consider well its ramparts; examine its strongholds; that you may tell those who come after.

REFRAIN

A Reading 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

A reading from Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians.

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. Thanks be to God.
Lead me, guide me, along the way,
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.

Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and power to
2. Help me tread in the paths of righteousness, be my
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am

1. Help me over my weakest hour; Help me
2. Aid when Satan and sin oppress; I am
3. Blind without thy light to see; Lord, just

1. Through the darkness thy face to see,
2. Putting all my trust in thee.
3. Always let me thy servant be.

1. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
2. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
3. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
The Gospel  
Mark 6:1-13

Celebrant  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.
People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon
Silence follows the sermon.

The Rev. Nancy Frausto

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: Litany of the Nation

(Thanksgiving for National Life, BCP 838)

The Leader and People pray responsively.

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.

Heal us.

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

Forgive us.

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.

Inspire us.

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.

Enlighten us.

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.

Renew us.

We now bring before you God our prayers and praises, our care and concerns, our hopes and dreams.

Please offer your prayers

As we bring our prayers to you, Gracious God,

Hear 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.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

People God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.
Special prayers, celebrations, and anniversaries

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

Offertory Anthem  I want Jesus to Walk with Me  Traditional Spiritual arr. Lloyd Larson

I want Jesus to walk with me  When I’m in trouble, Lord, walk with me
I want Jesus to walk with me  When I’m in trouble, Lord, walk with me
All along my pilgrim journey  When my head is bowed in sorrow,
I want Jesus to walk with me  I want Jesus to walk with me

In my trial, Lord, walk with me  When my heart is almost breaking,
In my trials, Lord, walk with me  I want Jesus to walk with me
When my heart is almost breaking,  I want Jesus to walk with me

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.
Hymn  
Lord, you give the great commission  

James E. Moore

1. Lord, you give the great commission: “Heal the sick and preach the word.”
   Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go untrusted.

2. Lord, you call us to your service: “In my name baptize and teach.”
   That the world may hear, help us witness to your purpose, each, give us all new fervor, draw usward.

3. Lord, you make the common holy: “This my blood.”
   Let us all, for trust your promise, life abundant meant for earth’s true glory, daily lift life heavenward.

4. Lord, you show us love’s true measure: “Father, what they do, for give.”
   Yet we hoard as private treasure, may we serve as you intend, and.

5. Lord, you bless with words as sure: “I am with you to the end.”
   Faith and hope and heard, help us witness to your purpose, each, give us all new fervor, draw usward.

Refrain

With the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

With renewed integrity, closer in community.
Share your children’s liberty.
To a just society.
Hold in mind eternity.

Lord, you give the great commission.
**The Holy Eucharist**

**The Great Thanksgiving  Eucharistic Prayer B**
*If you are able, please remain standing.*

**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 God thanks and praise.  

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. 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**

Richard Proulx

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

_Celebrant and people_

_We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

_The Celebrant continues_

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Luke, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive the Eucharist. At this time, due to COVID-19 restrictions, only the bread of Holy Communion will be offered to the congregation. To receive Communion, please form a line down the center aisle. When you reach the altar rail, use the entire rail to stand or kneel around the altar rail 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. If you desire a Blessing rather than Communion, cross your arms on your chest. Please return to your pew by the side aisles.

Our prayer partners are in the Chapel to offer prayers with anyone who would like special prayers.

Communion Anthem  This is my Father’s World  Arr. Brenda Portman

This is my Father’s world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father’s world:
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.
This is my Father’s world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their maker’s praise.

This is my Father’s world:
He shines in all that’s fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father’s world:
O let me ne’er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father’s world.
Communion Hymn  671 *Amazing Grace*  

**Post-Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant*  Let us pray.

*People*  Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Blessing**

May we rejoice in the greatness and power, gentleness and love, mercy and justice of our loving God. May God’s Spirit enable us to honour God's love in our thoughts, words and actions, and to serve God in every aspect of our lives; May the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Liberator and Sustainer be with you this day and always. Amen.

**Hymn  719 *O beautiful for spacious skies***

**Dismissal**

*Deacon*  Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People*  Thanks be to God.

**Postlude  *God of Our Fathers***

George. W. Warren, arr. Fred Bock  

Dr. Eveline Eng
Join us for **Coffee Hour** in the Parish Hall following worship.
Grab your coffee and browse through the Bookstore as you meet someone new.

**Prayers for Our Community:**
For all essential workers, all who have lost income due to COVID-19, all infected by the Novel Corona Virus and all suffering from depression, anxiety, and isolation due to COVID-19.

For Beryl, Nathan, Mike, Gene, Ernie, Joan, Vilma, Ron, Sue, Harry, Gracie, Andrew, Patrick, Cassidy, Rita, William, Benjamin, Anne, Christy, Jim, Ruth, Lucille, Kim, Tony, Olga, Rudy, Gordon, Paul, Loretta, Ronnie, Eli, Laura, Fred, Louise, Betty, Barry, Dora, Jerry, Kevin, Albert, Camille, Dora, Rosanna, Blair, Tommy, Diana, Brittany, Matt, Nicole; for our homeless brothers and sisters; for all refugees and immigrants; for an end to violence of all kind.

*For those who have died* – The Rev. Richard Van Horn

*For the church* – For Michael our Presiding Bishop; our Bishops John and Diane; for our clergy: Jane, Nancy, Dean, Beryl, Peter, and Steve; for our Vestry and staff.

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK (JULY 4 – 11)**
Check the Weekly Newsletter for more information.

**SUNDAY, JULY 4 – INDEPENDENCE DAY**
8am – Holy Eucharist in English
9am & 11:30am – Bookstore Open
10am – Children’s Time in Genesisland
10am – Holy Eucharist in English
12:30pm – Misa en Español

**MONDAY, JULY 5**
Church Office Closed

**THURSDAY, JULY 8**
10:00am – Healing Eucharist (Chapel)
10:45am – Bible Study (Commins Room)
7:00pm – Weekly Watch:
Sun Children (Zoom)
8:30pm – Compline (Zoom)

**FRIDAY, JULY 9**
4:00pm – Tea & Talk (Zoom)

**SATURDAY, JULY 10**
7:30am-Noon – Homeless Ministry:
Showers, Clothes & Food
Contact: Gail Mutke ([gamutke@verizon.net](mailto:gamutke@verizon.net))

**SUNDAY, JULY 11**
8am – Holy Eucharist in English
9am & 11:30am – Bookstore Open
10am – Holy Eucharist in English
12:30pm – Misa en Español