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.

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The Order of Service

Prelude  Lacquiparle

Dakota Hymn, arr. Darita Seth

Hymn 719  *O beautiful for spacious skies*

*If you are able, please stand.*

Opening Acclamation

*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.

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, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
The First Reading  2 Kings 5:1-14

A reading from Second Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman’s wife. She said to her mistress, “If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.” So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, “Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel.” He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, “When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy.” When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.”

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.” So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha’s house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.” But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. Thanks be to God.
Psalm 30
Remain seated. The soloists will sing first, then the congregation will repeat.

Marty Haugen
St. Luke’s Soloists

REFRAIN:

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up
And have not let my enemies triumph over me.
O Lord my God, I cried out to you, And you restored me to health.
You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead;
You restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
Sing praise to the Lord, all you faithful;
Give thanks in holy remembrance.

REFRAIN

God’s wrath is short; God’s favor lasts a lifetime.
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.
While I felt secure I said, “I shall never be disturbed.
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains.”
Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with my Lord, saying,
“What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?
Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.”

REFRAIN

You have turned my wailing into dancing;
You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.
Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever.

REFRAIN
The Second Reading  *Galatians 6:7-16*

A reading from Paul’s Letter to the Galatians.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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

**Gradual Hymn  Simple Gifts**

*If you are able, please stand.*

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'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, And when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'Twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gained, To bow and to bend we sha'n't be ashamed, To turn, turn, will be our delight by turning, turning we'll come round right.

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

People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.” The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Celebrant  The Gospel of the Lord.

People  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon  The Rev. Jane Gould

Silence follows the sermon.

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 – Form VI
*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, and Bishop John Taylor; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*(The People may add their own petitions.)*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*(The People may add their own thanksgivings.)*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*(The People may add their own petitions.)*

**Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant*  Let us confess our sins to God.

*If you are able, please kneel.*

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

Offertory Anthem  *Come Together/Freedom*  Lennon, McCartney, Beyoncé

Here come old flat top  Freedom
He come grooving up slowly  Freedom
He got joo joo eyeball  I can't move
He one holy roller  Freedom, cut me loose
He got hair down to his knee  Singin', freedom
Got to be a joker he just do what he please  Freedom
He wear no shoe shine  Where are you?
He got toe jam football  'Cause I need freedom, too
He got monkey finger  I break chains all by myself
He shoot Coca-Cola  Won't let my freedom rot in hell
He say I know you, you know me  Hey! I'ma keep running
One thing I can tell you is you got to be free  'Cause a winner don't quit on themselves
Come together, right now, over me

Tryna rain, tryna rain on the thunder
Tell the storm I'm new
I'm a wall, come and march on the regular
Painting white flags blue
Lord forgive me, I've been running
Running blind in truth
I'ma rain, I'ma rain on this bitter love
Tell the sweet I'm new
I'm telling these tears, go and
fall away, fall away
May the last one burn into flames
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 B

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.

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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:
If you are able, please remain standing.

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 many 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;

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, Blessed Joseph, Blessed John the Baptist, 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

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  *Shenandoah*  

American Folk Song, arr. Jeff Funk

Oh Shenandoah,  
I long to see you,  
Away, you rolling river.  
Oh Shenandoah,  
I long to see you,  
Way, we're bound away  
Across the wide Missouri.

'Tis seven years  
since last I've seen you,  
Away, you rolling river.  
'Tis seven years  
since last I've seen you,  
Way, we're bound away  
Across the wide Missouri.

Communion Hymn  *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

1. Amaz-ing grace, how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.  

2. The Lord has promised good to me.  
His Word I will trust and never be moved.  
I have been lost but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.  

3. And so I sing, my chain is broken  
and I've been set free.  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me;  
and like a flood, His mercy reigns;  

4. Grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved.  
God, who called me here below,  
will be first believed.  

My chains are gone;  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me;  
and like a flood, His mercy reigns;  
unending love, amazing grace.
The Thanksgiving after Communion
Celebrant  Let us pray.
People    God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing
Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

Announcements

Hymn  Lift Every Voice and Sing
If you are able, please stand.

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven weary years, God of our silent ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty; let our rejoicing rise high as the listening way; thou who hast by thy might, led us into the skies, let it re-sound loud as the rolling sea.

Light, keep us for-ev-er in the path where we pray.
Dismissal

Deacon     Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People     Thanks be to God.

Postlude  America, from West Side Story

Leonard Bernstein
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, Juliana, A. Gaisie, Evelyn, S. Aggie, Rose, Isaac, Jacob, Vandalue, Edith, Daniel, Essie, Rosemary. 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, 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 Gail Mutke.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK (JULY 3 – 10)
Check the weekly newsletter for more information.

SUNDAY, JULY 3
8am – Holy Eucharist in English
9:45am – Drop-in Summer Sunday School with Ms. Esperanza in Building A
10am – Holy Eucharist in English
12:30pm – Misa en Español

MONDAY, JULY 4 – Independence Day
Church Office Closed
4:00pm – LGBTQ BBQ (Church courtyard)

THURSDAY, JULY 7
10:00am – Healing Eucharist (Chapel)
10:45am – Bible Study (Commins Room)
7:00pm – Weekly Watch (Zoom)

FRIDAY, JULY 8
4:00pm – Tea & Talk (Zoom)

SATURDAY, JULY 9
7:30am-Noon – Showers, Clothing, & Food
Contact: Gail Mutke (gamutke@verizon.net)
11:00am – Long Beach Pride Booth

SUNDAY, JULY 10
8am – Holy Eucharist in English
10:00am – Long Beach Pride Parade
9:45am – Drop-in Summer Sunday School with Ms. Esperanza in Building A
10am – Holy Eucharist in English
12:30pm – Misa en Español
1:00pm – Long Beach Pride Booth