



10:00 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist

Sunday, January 15, 2023

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

North Main at Fourth Street, Jamestown, New York

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop

The Rev. Luke Fodor, Rector; The Rev. Deacon Cathy Smith;

Mr. Paul Johnson, Verger; Mrs. Cindy Hanson, Interim Minister of Music

The Rev. Deacon Jessica Frederick, Curate for Children, Youth & Family Ministry

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*The mission is simple: to **Connect** all people, help them **Discover** God's love, empower them to **Serve** and watch them **Grow**."*

WELCOME TO ST. LUKE'S

*We welcome you this morning to St. Luke's Church and are delighted to have you join us for worship today. If you are **visiting** for the first time, or are looking for a church home, please fill in a pew card and place it in the offering plate.*

At the time of Communion, all are invited to God's Table. In addition to the altar rail, at the 10 a.m. service a floor-level Communion station is made available, which includes gluten-free wafers and grape juice, please indicate your preference.

Available to children is a visit to the Children's Corner, or the use of a "Children's Activity Bag" found near the front of the church nave (ask an usher).

Join us downstairs for refreshments. All are welcome! Audio transmitters are available for those who have difficulty hearing the service; please ask an usher.

~ Copies of today's sermon are available at the doors. ~

PRELUDE

Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling

- Dale Wood

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

- Dale Wood

OPENING HYMN # 7, *Christ whose glory fills the skies*

- 1982 pew hymnal

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY, *said by all*

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, *all*

S-280, Powell; the front pages of the 1982 pew Hymnal

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY:

The Lord be with you. *Response: And also with you.*

Let us pray: Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading is from Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God."

And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength -- he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

The Word of the LORD. ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm #40:1-12; please join in saying Psalm 40 in unison

- The Saint Helena Psalter

- 1 I waited patiently for you, O God; ***
you stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 You lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; ***
you set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 You put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; ***
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in you.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in you; ***
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O God,**
how great your wonders and your plans for us; *
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them, ***
but they are more than I can count.

**7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
(you have given me ears to hear you);**

**8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *
and so I said, "Behold, I come.**

**9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.' "**

**10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips, and that, O God, you know.**

**11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.**

**12 You are the Holy One; do not withhold your compassion from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.**

The Second Reading is from 1st Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be
saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their
Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in
Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind--
just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any
spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end,
so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called
into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the LORD. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Sequence Hymn # 3157, TFWS *Come, Let Us Dream*

**Come, let us dream God's dream again. Come, one and all, let us ascend
the mountain top where those of old saw God's new day on earth unfold.**

**The lame shall walk, and the blind shall see, the doors swing wide, all prisoners free,
The lowly raised the proud brought low. This is God's dream: let justice flow.**

**When hatred ends and war shall cease, so all may dwell in deepest peace,
than be assured the time is near when perfect love casts out all fear.**

**But know the cost of claiming sight of God's new day, of wrongs made right,
For some have paid the highest price, their lives for us, a sacrifice.**

**Prophets are scorned in their own lands and martyrs slain by righteous hands;
Though dreamers die, the dream will live for we have yet our lives to give.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John 1:29-42

*Response before the Gospel: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

The Word of the LORD. ***Thanks be to God.***

SERMON

The Rev. Deacon Jessica Frederick

NICENE CREED, *said by all, standing as able*

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,

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

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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 Michael our Presiding Bishop, Sean, the Bishop of our Diocese; Luke, our priest-in-charge;
for all bishops, priests and deacons;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Silence*

We pray for Tim Pickett, Ryan Engquist, Barbara Slumsky, Greg Fenn, T. D. Anderson, Jeanne Green,
Sharon Drennen, Beth Snow, Carol Yaggie; Sonja Stahlman; Mark Bender;
Ron McEntire; Joe and Julienne Ambrosetti; Jane; Edward; Tom and Cáitlín Small;
Matteo Dominick; Chuck DeAngelo; Christi Carson and her family;
Kirk and Deb Cardone; Donald and Mary Ruland;
Pete Nagle; Joyce Crate; Mary Holton; Barbara Lissfelt;
for the people of Ukraine; and those others we now name: *Silence*

Hear us, Lord; ***For your mercy is great.***

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

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*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; ***Who put their trust in you.***

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Lay Reader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit**

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *Let us exchange the Peace of Christ with one another!*
The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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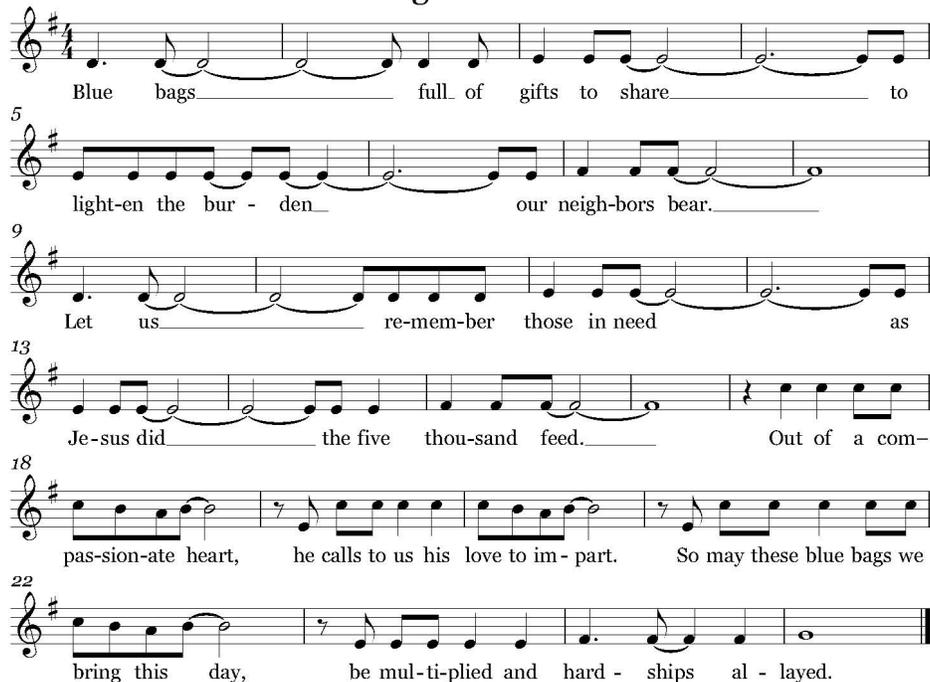
Wondrous Love

- arr. Paul Christiansen

Words and Lyrics
Caitlin O'Reilly

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Blue Bag Processional



Blue bags full of gifts to share to
light-en the bur - den our neigh-bors bear.
Let us re-mem-ber those in need as
Je-sus did the five thou-sand feed. Out of a com-
pas-sion-ate heart, he calls to us his love to im-part. So may these blue bags we
bring this day, be mul-ti-plied and hard - ships al - layed.

DOXOLOGY, sung by all

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below
praise God above, ye heav'nly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

SENDING HYMN # 550, *Jesus calls us o'er the tumult*

- 1982 pew Hymnal

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

*Response: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!***

POSTLUDE *Fantasy in C Major*

- J. S. Bach

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by John and Cindy Panebianco
in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.*

Announcements

- ***Plan to attend tomorrow evening the Film Screening of “Who We Are” on 1/16/23 at 7pm at the Reg Lenna.***
- ***Fictional Friends*** reading group is reading Jane Harper’s novel “The Survivors.” The group will meet Monday, January 23 at 7pm in the church library for discussion.
- ***189th Annual Meeting is on Sunday, January 29th*** at both the 8am and 10 am services. At the **Annual Meeting** you will hear about all of our successes of the past year and some of the challenges, as well as participate in casting vision for the future. Plan to be here to hear the Good News.
- ***Following the Annual Meeting at 10 am St Luke’s will hold its annual Soup-or Chili Cook-Off (Jan 29)*** A Fundraiser for youth mission trips, contestants interested in entering their soup or chili should contact Jessica Frederick (jessica.frederick@stlukesjamestown.org) At the Chili Cook-Off we will also celebrate retiring Minister of Music, Canon Ron McEntire.
- ***January SLY PYG*** At youth group, we are committed to creating an environment for young peoples’ learning through relationship-building, fun, and play. For the month of January, we’re at St. Luke’s and we could use some assistance from cooks and other friends of SLY PYG to help supply dinner for 14 to 20 teens. Contact Jessica (jessica.frederick@stlukesjamestown.org) to coordinate. **On January 22nd, SLY PYG is planning a wintertime adventure with sledding at Chautauqua Institution followed by hot chocolate at the Kushmal’s residence (weather permitting). Instead of normal youth group time, this event will occur at 3pm.** Again, contact Jessica (jessica.frederick@stlukesjamestown.org) with questions and to coordinate a ride.

*If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers, the cost is \$75.
There is a sign-up board in the stairway vestibule where you may write your name.
You may also call the church office to discover if a special date is available.*