Welcome to Worship: Thank you for making Grace-St. Luke's part of your spiritual journey and for joining us today for this virtual worship offering. If you are new among us, please complete an online Connect Card at gracestlukes.org/online-visitor-card. Our clergy-staff team would like to reach out to learn more about you and to explore how life at Grace-St. Luke's might bless your journey and you bless ours. For more about our thriving faith community including online formation (learning) offerings, please visit www.gracestlukes.org.

Celebrant: The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher

Preacher: The Rev. Laura F. Gettys

Voluntary: “Kyrie eleison, from Mass for the Convents”

François Couperin

Welcome, Announcements and Children’s Message
The Word of God

Hymn 537, “CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING!”

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

people
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The 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.

Trisagion said three times
Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.
The Collect of the Day

Celebrant  The Lord be with you.
People     And also with you.
Celebrant  Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  Amen.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jonah

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Lector   The Word of the Lord.
People   Thanks be to God.  Silence

Psalm 62:6-14  read responsively by whole verse

6  For God alone my soul in silence waits, *
    truly, my hope is in him.
7  He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
    my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
8  In God is my safety and my honor; *
    God is my strong rock and my refuge.
9  Put your trust in him always, O people, *
    pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
    even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, *
    all of them together.
12 Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; *
    though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, *
    that power belongs to God.
14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *
    for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

The Gospel

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

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Gospeller  The Gospel of the Lord
People    Praise to you, Lord Christ.
The Homily: The Rev. Laura F. Gettys

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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 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 Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Phoebe our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.
For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, including those reflected on the Prayer List in this service leaflet; those infected with coronavirus and their caregivers; for reconciliation and healing of social unrest and violence throughout the world; and for those we name either silently or aloud [N.N.]. Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.
We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, including the gifts of time, talent, and treasure that support life at Grace-St. Luke’s; for our Parish School and all schools that serve our community; and other abundance we name either silently or aloud [N.N.]. We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.
We pray for all who have died, especially Bethany Dianne Moers, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, and for those we name either silently or aloud [N.N.]. 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. Silence

Priest 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 Priest says
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord 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 the Lord be always with you.  
People And also with you.

The Celebrant and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Offertory
During the offertory music or following this service, your offering supports this virtual ministry and much more of life at Grace-St. Luke’s: visit gracestlukes.org/onlinegiving; text GSLChurch ALMS to 73256 to give to ALMS; text GSLChurch PLEDGE to 73256 to give to your PLEDGE; or you may mail offerings to the church office. Our 2021 stewardship campaign, Resilience and Connection by Giving, is seeking 100% participation from all parishioners: visit gracestlukes.org/pledge. For information about worship, formation for all ages, ways to connect, serve and more, visit www.gracestlukes.org.

Anthem at the Offertory
“Ain’-a THAT GOOD NEWS”  
I got a crown up in-a the Kingdom, Ain’-a that good news!  
I’m a-going to lay down this world, Goin’-a shoulder up-uh my cross,  
Goin’-a take it home-a to my Jesus, Ain’-a that good news!  
I got a harp up in-a the Kingdom, Ain’-a that good news! refrain  
I got a robe up in-a the Kingdom, Ain’-a that good news! refrain  
I got a Saviour in-a the Kingdom, Ain’-a that good news! refrain

The Lord’s Prayer
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.

Spiritual Communion Prayers
These rich words are recited daily throughout the church catholic (universal) by individuals and communities unable to gather for public worship for whatever reason, while also longing for the occasion to participate in the Episcopal Church’s central practice of receiving the Holy Sacrament.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly Grace-St. Luke’s and those worshiping there, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory, and particularly for the blessings given me.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Blessing
May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.
Hymn 539, stanzas 1-2 & 4, “O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling”  

text: Mary Ann Thomson (1834-1923), alt.

music: Tidings, James Walch (1837-1901)

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious;
He comes again! O Zion, ere thou meet him,

to tell to all the world that God is Light;
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love:
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
make known to every heart his saving grace;

that he who made all nations is not willing
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,
pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious
let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him,

one soul should fail to know his love and might.
and died on earth that all might live above.
till God shall bring his kingdom’s joyful day.
through thy neglect, unfit to see his face.

Refrain

Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace,
tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.
The Dismissal
The people are dismissed with these words
Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary: “Dialogue, from Mass for the Convents” François Couperin

Continue the day, giving thanks to God for blessings known and known, and by reaching out in care for fellow parishioners, neighbors, and any persons in need. Members of the parish with any needs or pastoral concerns: email pastoralcare@gracestlukes.org or dial 901-252-6320, and for hospitalizations or emergencies, dial the 24/7 Clergy-on-Call phone line at 901-252-6334.

The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher, Celebrant
The Rev. Laura F. Gettys, Preacher
Dr. Patrick A. Scott, Director of Music & Organist
Elizabeth Hornor, Isabel Wittman, Daniel Massey, & Andrew Carroll, Cantors
Ed Griffith, Ramsey Rule, Abby Huber, Livestream Support
A Message from the Rector

Inauguration Day Prayers. On the occasion of the swearing in of President-elect Joe Biden as the 46th president and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris to take office, and in all times, we are called to pray. May we come to live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. – The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher, Rector (Read the full text. (gracestlukes.org/news/inauguration-day-prayers) )

Worship and Music

SUNDAY
10:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Music, online. Access livestream services via GSL website (gracestlukes.org/live) and Facebook Live (facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).
5:30-6 p.m. Contemplative Prerecorded worship with the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher and Alisa Horn, cello, via the GSL website (gracestlukes.org/live), Facebook Live (facebook.com/gracestlukes/live), and YouTube (youtube.com/gracestlukes).

For a schedule of virtual events, visit gracestlukes.org/news/contemplative-prerecorded-events.

WEEKDAYS
Tuesdays and Thursdays, Compline (Night Prayers), 8 until 8:15 p.m. via Facebook Live (facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

Stewardship: Time, Talent, Treasure

January Appeal for 100% Pledge Participation: Resilience and Connection by Giving. All giving benefits Grace-St. Luke’s vision to be a thriving community of hope, belonging, and healing through worship, parish life, and service, and who rejoices in the love of Jesus to transform the world. Read a message from the Rector. (gracestlukes.org/news/appeal-for-100-pledge-participation)

Christian Formation

Adults. (gracestlukes.org/adult-formation)
Sundays 9:15 a.m. If you missed “Exploring Poetry for Epiphany with the Rev. Katherine M. Bush,” it is available via Facebook Live (facebook.com/gracestlukes/live), YouTube (youtube.com/gracestlukes), and the GSL Website (gracestlukes.org/live). Katherine shared a few poems highlighting some timely themes, namely embracing transition and change as we move into a new year with great hope while still carrying some of the ‘old year’ with us. | Looking Ahead, January 31: Unpacking How to Be Christian In A Pandemic: Conversation facilitated by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher and GSL Adult Formation Advisory Members via Zoom. For more about adult formation, explore gracestlukes.org/adult-formation.

Youth. (gracestlukes.org/youth-formation)
January 24, Zoom EYC for 6th-8th graders will meet 4-5 p.m. and 9th-12th from 5-6 p.m. The Zoom links and activity information will be sent separately. If you have any questions, please contact Amzie Williams (awilliams@gracestlukes.org), Director of Youth Formation.

Children. (http://gracestlukes.org/childrens-formation)

This Week. As Children’s Formation continues to be offered through Zoom and at-home materials, please follow this link (gracestlukes.org/childrens-formation) for updated information and the Children’s Activity Bag signup link. To be added to the Children’s Formation email list, please contact Sharon Campbell (scampbell@gracestlukes.org), Director of Children’s Formation. Resources, news, and updates are also shared on the GSL Children’s Formation Facebook page (facebook.com/GSLChildrensFormation).

Recreation and Wellness

2021 Winter Basketball Registration Now Closed. This Winter, GSL Church is offering a 7-week (8 Sessions) Basketball Program to include Fundamental Training & Skill Development/Skill Stations/Contests/Scrimmages & Tons of FUN! Follow this link for details. (gracestlukes.org/youthbasketball)

Yoga with Shantih, Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. Follow this link (gracestlukes.org/news/yoga-with-shantih) for signup details and Zoom info.

Community Life

The December-January edition of The Messenger includes news about Worship for Advent-Christmas-Epiphany and more. The February-March issue will be available soon! Read online at gracestlukes.org/the-messenger or download a copy.

Outreach

GSL Valentine Food Drive. This Pandemic has placed an undue toll on everyone but especially those that cannot afford to put food on the table for their families. Grace-St. Luke’s is partnering with Neighborhood Christian Center (NCC) to provide food and essentials for one week for those in need and don’t have access or means to purchase these essentials. For the next three weeks, we will be collecting food donations from Parishioners and we need your help to make this successful. (Read how you can contribute: gracestlukes.org/news/gsl-valentine-food-drive.)

Online Giving
Make a one time gift now by scanning the QR code below with your smart phone!

Recurring
Set up recurring 2021 pledge payments by scanning the QR code with your phone!
The Prayer List

Our prayers are asked for Brad Larson, Patty McManus, Kaye, John, Caroline Clay, Betsy Tate, Nancy Wilkerson, Kristin King, Charles Chandler, Michael Wills, Jake Seymour, Alymarie “Dooney” Twele, Annelise Ware Simmons, Felix Dae Sanders, Deborah Lowe, Carolyn Wills, Amanda Adams, Jane Gober & the Gober family, Billy Denman, Sam Gassaway Jr., Susan Williamson, Ann Russell, Rodgers and Nancy Menzies, Renee Williford, and Lucy Singh.

Our prayers are asked for those who have died, especially Bethany Dianne Moers, and those who have died from coronavirus.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays, especially Amanda Adams, Tim Adams, Smith Adrian, Judy Beaird, Evelyn Biggs, Maxwell Busby, Russell Church, Susan Clement, Cathie Cline, McCulloch Cline, Alice Crow, Trip Farnsworth, Brennan Gibbs, Jim Hannifin, Brett Holtzclaw, Allison Jones, Barbara Keathley, Grayson Kellett, Sydney Prather, Hannah Smith, Lyle Smock, Nicki Soule, Carter Stovall, Sandy Tate, Carrie Vaughan, Aubrey Wiggins, Patty Wiley, Brittany Williams, and Will Woodmansee, for those celebrating wedding anniversaries.

Prayer List and Prayer Requests. To submit a prayer request for the Prayer List, you may contact Parish House Receptionist & Ministry Associate Abby Huber (ahuber@gracetlukes.org, 901-252-6336) or complete the online Prayer Request Form (gracetlukes.org/prayerrequest). Names of persons, who have given consent for names to be printed, will be listed for one month, unless a longer period is requested. While certain concerns may be confidential between the clergy and the individual, others may not be. If you are wondering about an individual, please contact the individual directly or a member of the clergy. Intercessions are offered daily by the clergy and lay pastoral care ministers and reflected in the worship service leaflet.

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- Wednesday eNews: gracetlukes.org/weekly-news
- More Information about Worship: gracetlukes.org/worship
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- The Messenger, Bi-monthly Magazine: gracetlukes.org/the-messenger
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