

GRACE-ST. LUKE'S

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
MORNING SERVICE OF PRAYERS, MEDITATION AND MUSIC
JUNE 28, 2020 10:30 AM
VIA LIVESTREAM

This service is an adaptation of various services for public worship in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) of The Episcopal Church. Text in boldface type is read aloud or sung by the congregation. Text in italics provides directions or details. Explore the richness of the BCP online at bcponline.org including Daily Devotions for Individuals and Families. During this service, please feel free to stand, sit, or even kneel at the appointed times and practice any personal pieties that might enhance your engagement in this experience.

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**.

Officiant: The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher **Preacher:** The Rev. Meredith Day Hearn

All are asked to observe silence during the

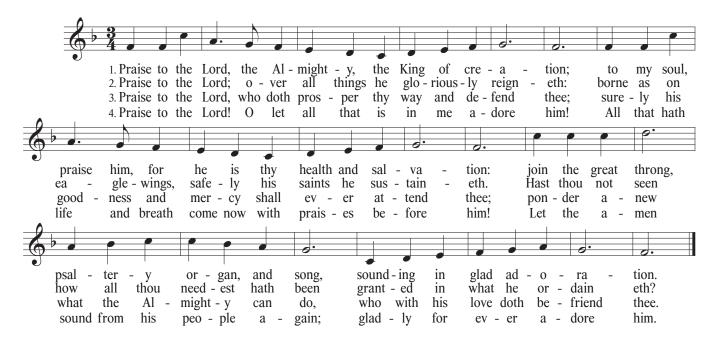
Voluntary: "Prelude on Lobe den Herren" Diane Bish

Welcome, Announcements and Children's Message

The Word of God

Hymn 390, stanzas 1 & 3-4, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

music: Lobe den Herren, melody from Erneuerten Gesangbuch 1665; harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863 text: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. Hymnal 1940, alt.



Celebrant 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.**

The Collect of the Day

BCP 230

People The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 Jeremiah

28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

Psalm 89: 1-4, 15-18 read responsively by whole verse

1 Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; *

from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; * you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
- **3** "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; * I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

'I will establish your line for ever, *

and preserve your throne for all generations."

15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! * they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

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16 They rejoice daily in your Name; *

they are jubilant in your righteousness.

17 For you are the glory of their strength, * and by your favor our might is exalted.

18 Truly, the Lord is our ruler; *

the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel

Priest A Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

10:40-42

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Priest Here ends the Lesson.

The Homily: The Rev. Meredith Day Hearn

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

BCP 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Remembering especially those who have died [N.N.], those in whose memory or honor the altar flowers and supplies are given [N.N.], and those we now name either silently or aloud [N.N.], give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We remember those reflected on the Prayer List of this service leaflet; for the whole human family during this season of the coronavirus pandemic and of social unrest and violence; for our baptismal call to foster reconciliation and healing; and for those we now name either silently or aloud [N.N.]

We give thanks for all who work in any way to respond to the needs of others; for the invaluable offerings 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 for [N.N.]

Silence. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with vou.

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 2020 PLEDGE; mail to the church office. We are not closed during this season of physical distancing. Instead, we are becoming more open and creative in how we abide with God, walk by faith, and serve one another. Your gift to the glory of God supports the administration, operations, and life of Grace-St. Luke's Church.

Anthem at the Offertory, "How Lovely are the Messengers"

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) text: Romans 10: 16, 18

How lovely are the messengers, that preach us the gospel of peace, to all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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 Blessing

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

Hymn 657, stanzas 1 & 3, "Love divine, all loves excelling"

music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887) text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)



The Dismissal BCP 366

The people are dismissed with these words

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

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary: "Improvisation on *Lobe den Herren*"

Patrick A. Scott

All are invited to remain standing or to be seated for the Voluntary and then 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, Officiant The Rev. Meredith Day Hearn, Preacher Patrick Scott, Director of Music & Organist Debbie Smith, Assistant Organist-Choirmaster Daniel Massey & Charles McGowan, Cantors Jeff White, GSL School Director of Technology **Grace-St. Luke's:** Explore the following news, take good care, and please be in touch with the clergy-staff team to assist you along the way!

Virtual Offerings

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, June 28, 10:30 a.m. Livestream Service of Morning Prayer including music and sermon by The Rev. Meredith Day Hearn via the <u>GSL website (www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship)</u> and <u>Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live)</u>.

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, June 28, 8:00 p.m, Prerecorded Service of Sung Compline offered by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher, the GSL Schola and Director of Music and Organist Patrick Scott via the GSL website (www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship) and Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

Tuesday, June 30, Compline (Night Prayers), 8 until 8:15 p.m. via <u>Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live)</u>. Thursday, July 2, Men's Morning Fellowship, 7 until 7:45 a.m. via <u>ZOOM</u>. Read more and sign up below.

Thursday, July 2, Compline (Night Prayers), 8 until 8:15 p.m. via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live). The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, July 5, 10:30 a.m, Livestream Service of Morning Prayer including music and sermon via the GSL website (www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship) and Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live). This will mark the first Sunday for our new Associate Rector, the Rev. Laura F. Gettys.

Christian Formation Offerings. Stay tuned for plans being explored by the clergy, staff, and formation leadership for summer and beyond.

Event Details. For important details about each of these and more, follow this <u>link</u> to Virtual Offerings.

Take Note

Celebrating The Rev. Meredith Day Hearn. Today, we bid farewell and give thanks for the three-year ministry of our curate, the Rev. Meredith Day Hearn. On behalf of the parish, a gift from the Vestry and the Rector will be given. In lieu of a purse, you may send any financial gifts, payable to the Rev. Meredith Day Hearn, to the Church Office. Let us hold Meredith+ and her husband Dr. Jackson Hearn in prayer as they begin new life in Cincinnati (Diocese of Southern Ohio).

Clergy Personnel News: On July 1, the Rev. Anne Carriere, who has served since October in extraordinary ways as Interim Associate Rector, will become Priest Associate, and we will welcome Associate Rector, the Rev. Laura F. Gettys and her family (husband Josh, sons Foster and Joseph). Stay tuned for information about opportunities to welcome the Gettys family. Laura+ and Anne+ join the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher in his ministry begun in July 2018 as Rector.

A Message from the Senior Warden. Read the June 19 message from Simon Wadsmorth: https://www.gracestlukes.org/news/a-message-from-the-senior-warden-june-2020/

GSL Social Justice Ministry is live. Read the June 19 message here: https://www.gracestlukes.org/news/a-message-forgsl-social-justice-ministry-june-2020/

Vacation Bible School starts today. Read under Christian Formation about Virtual VBS 2020: Compassion Camp.

Pentecost edition of *The Messenger*. The Pentecost June-July edition of *The Messenger* magazine highlights recent past and upcoming reflections and events of life at GSL. (https://www.gracestlukes.org/the-messenger)

Friday, *Looking Ahead* eNews. Watch for an email at 3 p.m. about what to expect on the upcoming Sunday including service leaflet access, what's ahead for the coming week, and any updates from the clergy or the senior warden.

Worship and Music

Worship Schedule. Join us in person or via livestream Sunday mornings at 10:30 as the clergy and musicians lead worship services. Compline (Night Prayers) is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 p.m. via Facebook Live. GSL will continue to observe practices and protocols that will allow those who are interested and able to gather safely according to directives from health, government, and diocesan officials. For more information, visit www.gracestlukes.org/worship. To explore our past and upcoming services, follow this link (www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship/).

Sung Compline, June 28. In addition to our weekly virtual offering of spoken Compline (Night Prayers) on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 p.m., our Anglican/Episcopal tradition has a musical setting. Tune into GSL Facebook Live on Sunday, June 28 at 8 p.m. for a prerecorded service officiated by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher with responses sung by the GSL Schola and Director of Music and Organist Patrick Scott.

Christian Formation

Adults. In addition to Midweek Christian Formation on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., explore Virtual Offerings for a listing of learning opportunities. Stay tuned for a notice from the Adult Formation Advisory Team about summertime offerings.

Youth: Join us every Thursday evening at 7 p.m. for a Netflix Party Movie Night and Saturday for Noonday Prayer on Insta Live. For more information about our Weekly Prayer schedule on Insta Live and EYC via Zoom on Sunday evenings, contact Director of Youth Formation Amzie Williams.

Children: For information about current and summer plans for households with young children, <u>contact Director of Children's Formation Sharon Campbell</u> and join the <u>Children's Formation Facebook page</u>. Meanwhile, explore <u>Faith at Home</u> and <u>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</u> for a variety of creative ways to engage children in this new season for the Church.

Households with Young Children: Compassion Camp starts today! Our virtual Vacation Bible School curriculum is developed by Illustrated Ministry to help churches meet their families' needs for summer programming during this time of social distance and safer at home. Director of Children's Formation Sharon Campbell, ministry leaders and the clergy will kickoff VBS by being present for a drive-through event in the circle drive today, 12-2 p.m. and the first online session begins Monday, June 29. This program, for ages Pre-K through 5th grade, is designed to be flexible – do the parts you like at a time that works for your family! For VBS details, follow this link: www.gracestlukes.org/events/vacation-bible-school.

Resources for Racial Healing. The Episcopal Church provides rich resources for addressing racism, racialized violence, reconciliation, healing and justice. Individuals and households may explore www.episcopalchurch.org/responding-to-racist-violence and visit the new "racial healing" portal at www.gracestlukes.org/discover. The parish clergy and laity, including members of the evolving Social Justice Team, will provide helpful information and a broad variety of resources for one's spiritual formation work on this complex aspect of the human family.

Community Life

MOVING IN FAITH: Wellness Initiative. Well, it just keeps getting better and better. Starting Week 2 we've had even more participants join the Grace-St. Luke's Church Moving In Faith Team Challenge. Some are exercising solo while others have joined with partners and groups to cheer each other on and keep the miles passing with ease. However one plans to reach his or her goals, the fire is ignited and all are ready to "take on" competing churches, hoping to leave them behind in their dust! Congratulations! Tentatively in Week 2, TEAM GSL is again in 2nd place, followed by Christ Church in 1st place. Germantown United Methodist Church falls in 3rd place. TEAM GSL is doing a GREAT job. Hats-off to them for taking the time weekly to do something good for THEMSELVES, mind, body and spirit! For more information, follow this link: www.gracestlukes.org/news/moving-in-faith.

Youth Fall Sports Season Update. Grace-St. Luke's Church leadership team has been monitoring the ongoing developments of the coronavirus (COVID-19). In an effort to keep everyone safe and lower the risk of the spread of the coronavirus, all of our youth sports programs have been suspended until August. Each person's safety and well-being are our priority and Grace-St. Luke's leadership team will continue to monitor this health situation. We will post updates if there are any changes. We look forward to resuming our youth sports programs as soon as we can.

Pastoral Care: Sharing and Responding to Concerns. To alert the clergy of a pastoral matter concerning yourself or a member, including any medical procedures, contact the clergy confidentially via 901-252-6320 or <u>pastoralcare@gracestlukes.org</u>. For hospitalizations or emergencies concerning a member, contact the 24/7 Clergy-on-Call phone line at 901-252-6334. This is the best way to communicate pastoral needs and ensure a prompt response from a member of the clergy or pastoral care team.

Celebrating Scouting at GSL: Just The Place For The Next Century. Read this outstanding and informative article written by parishioner Dan Conaway and published in the South Fork magazine, a scouting magazine for Kia Kima alumni, about the creation of the GSL Scout Lodge. (https://tinyurl.com/SouthForkScoutLodge)

Thank You for Supporting Life at GSL. The Rector, Wardens and Vestry are glad and grateful that the parish community is practicing self-care and care for others the COVID-19 pandemic. Your sacred offerings of time, talent, and treasure serve to keep GSL strong and sustainable. All financial gifts in any amount contribute in countless ways to support weekly administration and operations, worship offerings, clergy-staff team personnel, and congregational life. You may visit gracestlukes.org/onlinegiving, text GSLChurch ALMS to 73256 to give to ALMS, text GSLChurch PLEDGE to 73256 to give to 2020 PLEDGE, mail offerings to the church office, or contact Parish Administrator Linda Stine (lstine@gracestlukes.org, 901-252-6324).





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Got REALM Connect? Increased and new connections between parishioners as well as by clergy-staff team members with parishioners are being made through REALM, our new and advanced platform for the GSL community. You can update your membership profile with a photo, reach out to others through the directory, sign-up for ministry teams, online fellowship groups and events, manage financial giving, and much more. Visit www.gracestlukes.org/realm or contact Receptionist and Ministry Associate Abby Huber (901-252-6336, ahuber@gracestlukes.org) for assistance.

Outreach

Serving Within and Beyond Our Doors. More Than A Meal continues on Sundays from 4-4:45 p.m. with a "brown bag" plan that is working well. The Food Pantry is closed with plans to reopen as soon as possible. All who are able may give now or anytime to the Mid-South Food Bank . For information about GSL Servant Ministry Partners, visit gracestlukes.org/outreach. If you are interested in participating in outreach, email Outreach Committee Chair Bill Pichette at outreach@gracestlukes.org/outreach. or visit gracestlukes.org/outreach.

A Step Ahead Foundation. Read how GSL Outreach grantee A Step Ahead Foundation continues to serve the community and carry out its mission in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, written by Outreach Committee member James Drummond, here.

Stay Informed

Visit <u>gracestlukes.org</u> to subscribe to the parish eNews to receive weekly, seasonal, and emergency pastoral notices from the clergy or other leaders. Visit http://eepurl.com/bi3C5 to subscribe to the West Tennessee Diocesan Communicator, and for access to beyond-local news from The Episcopal Church, visit episcopalnewsservice.org/email-signup. Please spread the word about these key communication platforms.

The Prayer List

Our prayers are asked for Carolyn Gardiner, Jerry V. Crook+, the family of Tom Biga, Lucy Owens, Brian Davies, Martin Edwards, Steven Schultz, Kristin, Nancy Menzies, Amanda Adams, Betsy Tate, Nancy Wilkerson, Charles Chandler, Caroline Clay, Kay, John, Patty McManus, and Brad Larson.

Our prayers are asked for those who have died: Tom Biga; all who have died throughout the world from violence; and those in whose memory the altar supplies are given: Mary Louise Jones Prewitt and Thomas Ryan Prewitt Sr., and those who have died from coronavirus.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays, especially Candice Carr, Ginger Collier, Brian Kellett, Bruce Lee, Florence McGowin, Julia Meagle, Lauren Moore, Alex Neale, Emily Newton, Alex Scott, Quint Stovall, Edgar Tate, Robert Thompson, Becky Trimble, Henry Tucker, Amy White, Caroline Willson, and for those celebrating wedding anniversaries, especially Ryan & Catherine Knoll and Dan & Robin Hatzenbuehler.

About the prayers: Names on the prayer list will remain for 1 month. If you would like your or your loved one's name to remain longer, please call the church office.

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