



St. Luke's Episcopal Church – Stephenville, TX  
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost – Year B  
Holy Eucharist Rite II  
In Person & Virtual Service – Facebook Live, YouTube  
June 23rd, 2024  
8 am & 10 am

*Coffee hour to follow at 11 am.*

To All Who Are Joyful And Thankful, To All Who Mourn And Need Comfort  
To All Who Are Weary And Need Rest, To All Who Are Friendless And Wish Friendship  
To All Who Pray And Who Do Not But Ought, To All Who Sin And Need A Savior.  
And To Whoever Will, The Church Opens Wide The Door  
And In The Name Of Christ, The Lord Says Welcome.

## The Processional Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #579 Almighty Father, strong to save

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

*People*

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

*The Celebrant may say*

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 Gloria

*The Hymnal 1982, Service Music - #280 Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis*





## The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Readings

*All are seated.*

### 1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49

The Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together." When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. David rose early in the morning, left the sheep with a keeper, took the provisions, and went as Jesse had commanded him. He came to the encampment as the army was going forth to the battle line, shouting the war cry. Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage, ran to the ranks, and went and greeted his brothers. As he talked with them, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines, and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him.

David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this



**Psalm 9:9-20** *Confitebor tibi (Read responsively by full verse.)*

9 The Lord will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in time of trouble.

**10 Those who know your Name will put their trust in you, for you never forsake those who seek you, O Lord.**

11 Sing praise to the Lord who dwells in Zion; proclaim to the peoples the things he has done.

**12 The Avenger of blood will remember them; he will not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

13 Have pity on me, O Lord; see the misery I suffer from those who hate me, O you who lift me up from the gate of death;

**14 So that I may tell of all your praises and rejoice in your salvation in the gates of the city of Zion.**

15 The ungodly have fallen into the pit they dug, and in the snare they set is their own foot caught.

**16 The Lord is known by his acts of justice; the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.**

17 The wicked shall be given over to the grave, and also all the peoples that forget God.

**18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever.**

19 Rise up, O Lord, let not the ungodly have the upper hand; let them be judged before you.

**20 Put fear upon them, O Lord; let the ungodly know they are but mortal.**

## 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,  
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

*People*                      The Word of the Lord.  
   **Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Hymn

**The Hymnal 1982 #8 Morning has broken**

*Then, all standing, as are able, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Mark** (4:35-41).

*People*    **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let us go across to the other side.” And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

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

*People*

### **The Sermon**

The Rev Bradley C. Dyche

*A brief time of reflection follows the sermon*

### **The Nicene Creed**

**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 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 Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and for all bishops and other ministers;

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

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. (Insert St. Luke's list)

*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*

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 may be kept.*

*Leader 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 Celebrant stands and 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**

*All stand, as are able. The Celebrant says to the people*

*People*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## **Announcements**



## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

David & Leslie Guinn 25<sup>th</sup>, Emily McLemore 27<sup>th</sup>, Joe Christopher 27<sup>th</sup>, Mike Pierce 29<sup>th</sup>, and Amanda Arrambide 29<sup>th</sup>

**Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Offertory**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

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Text to give to (254) 282-0706, then enter amount (ex. \$50),  
you can also give online at <https://stlukesstephenville.breezechms.com/give/online>  
or you can mail your offering to St. Luke's, PO Box 2506, Stephenville, TX 76401*

## **The Offertory Hymn**

**Wonder, Love, & Praise #803 These are the treasures**

1. These three are the treasures to strive for and prize: be  
 2. If mer-cy's a-ban-doned by those who'd be brave, e-  
 3. Be gen-tle and you can af-ford to be bold, be  
 4. Through gen-tle-ness those who at-tack win the fight, and

gen-tle, live sim-ply and have the hum-il-it-y to shy from the  
 con-o-my-squan-dered by those who'd be gen-er-ous, hu-mil-i-ty  
 fru-gal and so have e-nough to be lib-er-al, be hum-ble and  
 those who de-fend have their safe-ty in gen-tle-ness; this gen-tle-ness

strugg-le to put one-self first, these are the pearls.  
 slight-ed by those who would lead, this is sure death.  
 thus be a lead-er of all, this is the way.  
 rests in the chil-dren of God, this is their sign.

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## The Doxology

*(sung to The Hymnal 380)*  
**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;**  
**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**  
**Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;**  
**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

*The people remain standing, as are able. The Celebrant says*

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 him 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:

**Santo, santo, santo [*Holy, holy, holy*] *Wonder Love and Praise, #785***

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933).

*The people kneel, as are able.*

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,

**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 Mark, Mary, John, Irenaeus, Peter, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; 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**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### **The Distribution of Holy Communion**

#### *Concerning Holy Communion*

*“This the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord.  
It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more.  
So come, you who have much faith, and you who have little,  
you who have been here often and you who have not been here long,  
you who have tried to follow and you who have failed.  
Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.  
It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.”*



*If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, we invite you to come forward for a blessing.  
Simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.*

### **Communion Hymn**

## The Hymnal 1982 #711 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*  
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and 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 Priest gives the blessing*

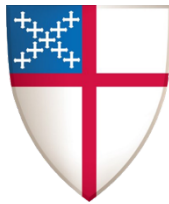
Be joyful, though you have considered all the facts. And may the blessing of God the Creator, Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen**  
*adapted from Wendell Barry*

### **Processional**

**The Hymnal 1982 #559 Lead us, heavenly father**

*The Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

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



### **From the Calendar of Saints**

#### **June 24** The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Jesus' forerunner John was born to very elderly parents, Elizabeth, Mary's cousin, and Zechariah, a priest in the temple at Jerusalem. Zechariah was struck dumb for doubting an angel's prophecy of John's birth, and remained speechless until the baby was born and named.

#### **June 28** Irenaeus *Bishop of Lyons, c. 202*

Irenaeus was the first great systematic theologian in the Christian Church. In his most famous work, *Against Heresies*, he particularly refuted Gnosticism, a system of belief that despised the flesh and exalted the spirit, stressing instead the doctrines of the goodness of creation and the resurrection of the body.

#### **June 29** Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Apostles

According to tradition, Peter and Paul were both martyred in Rome during the persecution under Nero, in 64. They are considered the two greatest leaders of the early church.

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**WELCOME**  
**THANK**  
**YOU FOR**  
**JOINING US**