



St. Luke's Episcopal Church – Stephenville, TX  
Tenth Sunday After Pentecost– Year A  
In Person & Virtual Service – Facebook Live, YouTube  
August 6th, 2023  
8:00 am & 10:00 am

*Coffee Hour to follow at 11am.*

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 #427 When morning gilds the skies**

*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*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## 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 God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Readings

*All are seated.*

### Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 99** *Dominus renavit (Read responsively by full verse.)*

1 The Lord is King;  
let the people tremble; \*  
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth shake.

**2 The Lord is great in Zion; \*  
he is high above all peoples.**

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*  
he is the Holy One.

**4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity; \*  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."**

5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
he is the Holy One.

**6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*  
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.**

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

**8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

**9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.**

## 2 Peter 1:13-21

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Hymn

**The Hymnal 1982 #137 O wondrous type**

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke** (9:28-36).

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

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had

spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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

### **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 IV**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Watch over Chris and Mackenzie who are in discernment.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (Prayer list here.)

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant says the following Collect*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. 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*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

### **Announcements**

#### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Becky Damron (6<sup>th</sup>) Bill & Jane Dennis (6<sup>th</sup>) Michele Dunkerley (7<sup>th</sup>) Ian Wilson (7<sup>th</sup>)  
Chase Kincannon (9<sup>th</sup>) Gene Oliver (10<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.

*If you would like to give to St. Luke's, you can place money in the offering plate at the Service or you can*

*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**

**The Hymnal 1982 #383 Fairest Lord Jesus**

### **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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music - #130 The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

The musical score is for the hymn 'Sanctus' in G major (one sharp). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords that support the vocal melody. The vocal line is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and ties.

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*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 Luke, John, Dominic, Laurence, Clare, Florence, 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 #366 Holy God, we praise thy name**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Priest gives the blessing*

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a parent. Go in peace to follow the good road and may the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. **Amen.**

## **Processional**

**The Hymnal 1982 #594 God of grace and God of glory**

*The Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

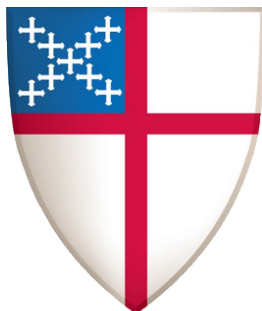
*Celebrant*

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

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Thank you for taking the time to visit with us today. We feel truly blessed that you chose to be with us here at St. Luke's. It is great to have you worship with us and hope you feel truly welcomed. We welcome you back next Sunday and look forward to seeing you again soon.*



**From the Calendar of Saints**

**August 6** The Transfiguration of our Lord

Along with the appearance of angels at Jesus' birth and resurrection and of the dove of the Spirit at his baptism, the Transfiguration, witnessed by Peter, James, and John, was a supernatural manifestation by God to authenticate Jesus as his Son.

**August 7** John Mason Neale *Priest, 1866*

In addition to supporting the Oxford Movement of liturgical reform and founding a sisterhood for needy women and girls, John Mason Neale was an accomplished hymnodist. His best known hymn is "All glory, laud, and honor", sung on Palm Sunday.

**August 8** Dominic *Priest and Friar, 1221*

Founder of the Order of Preachers, known as the Dominicans, Dominic emphasized learning, preaching, teaching, and absolute poverty. His most notable follower was Thomas Aquinas.

**August 10** Laurence *Deacon, and Martyr at Rome, 258*

A victim of the persecution under the Emperor Valerian, Laurence is thought to have been roasted alive on a gridiron. He was revered for his distribution of Church relief funds to the sick and poor.

**August 11** Clare *Abbess at Assisi, 1253*

At eighteen, Clare, beautiful daughter of a wealthy family, sought out Francis of Assisi to become a member of his order. He provided her with a humble dwelling in Assisi where she founded the "Poor Ladies of St. Damian", women who embraced Franciscan absolute poverty and performed works of mercy for the needy.

**August 12** Florence Nightingale *Nurse, Social Reformer, 1910*

Famous for her nursing and administrative skills during the Crimean War, Florence Nightingale was committed to a personal mystical religion as well as being a devout Anglican. She is honored throughout the world as the founder of the modern profession of nursing.

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