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St. Luke's
We teach and nurture each other, and spread God's word.

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At St. Luke's, we worship God,
we teach and nurture each other in the faith,
and we spread the Good News.

In our common life, we seek: in the essentials, unity;
in the non-essentials, diversity; but in all things, charity.

Thirteenth Sunday after the Pentecost, Proper 18

Holy Eucharist Rite II

September 8, 2019

8:30 a.m.

Children are welcome in worship.

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (red book)

H = Hymnal 1982 (blue book), S- music is found in the front section

WB = Worship Song Binder

*Congregational hymns and responses are in **Bold***

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Altar Flowers given by

Shirley Goetz in thanksgiving for the birthdays of four grandchildren

Stewardship Thought of the Week

“The quality of mercy is not strain'd,
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
Upon the place beneath: it is twice blest;
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes.”

William Shakespeare, 1564-1616, The Merchant of Venice

H 594	Entrance Hymn: <i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i>
BCP 355	Opening Sentences
BCP 355	The Collect for Purity
S-279	Song of Praise
A-2	The Collect of the Day
A-3	The First Lesson (<i>Be seated</i>)
A-3	The Psalm
A-4	The Second Lesson
H 675	Gospel Gradual: <i>Take up Your Cross</i>
	(<i>Stand as you are able</i>)
A-4	The Gospel
	The Sermon (<i>Be seated</i>): The Rev. Evan Ash
BCP 358	The Nicene Creed
BCP 383	Prayers of the People (<i>response: Lord, have mercy.</i>)
BCP 360	Confession of Sin
BCP 360	The Peace
	Announcements
BCP 830	Prayers for Birthdays and Anniversaries; Special Blessings
H 635	Offertory: <i>If thou but Trust in God</i>
H 380, v. 3	Presentation of the Gifts
BCP 355	The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A
S 125	Holy, Holy, Holy
BCP 364	The Lord's Prayer
BCP 364	The Breaking of the Bread
	(<i>Gluten-free bread available for Communion; let the Clergy know your need.</i>)
S 159	Lamb of God
H 654	Communion Hymn: <i>Day by Day</i>
BCP 365	Post-Communion Prayer
	The Blessing
A-4	Transition Prayer
H 484	Recessional Hymn: <i>Praise the Lord through Every Nation</i>
BCP 366	Dismissal

The Collect

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

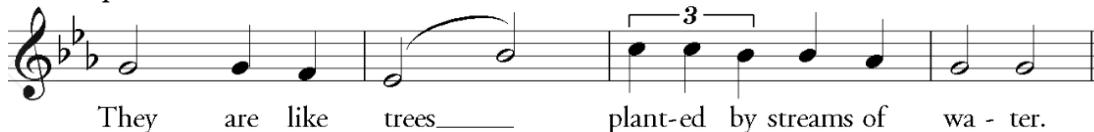
Old Testament

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob." **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 1 *Beatus vir qui non abiit*



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- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel [of] the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, ... nor sat in the [seats of] the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the [law of] the Lord,
and they meditate on God's teaching [day] and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, ...
bearing fruit in due season, ... with leaves that [do] not wither;
everything they [do] shall prosper. **Antiphon**
- 4 It is not [so with] the wicked;
they are like chaff which the [wind blows] away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when [judg]-ment comes,
nor the sinner in the council [of] the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the [way of] the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall [be] destroyed. **Antiphon**

The Epistle

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you

perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

Transition Prayer (All together)

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of St. Luke's search team, which shall choose the priest to lead us into the future, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for us and equip us for our ministries. Let us not flounder in what was, but spring forth in what can be through the gifts of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.