

ST LUKE'S EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH

# THE CHRONICLE

LEARN TO DO GOOD;

SEEK JUSTICE,  
CORRECT OPPRESSION;  
**BRING JUSTICE**

TO THE FATHERLESS,  
PLEAD THE  
WIDOW'S CAUSE.

—  
ISAIAH 1:17



**Our Mission:**

"To spread the Good News of Jesus Christ, and promote spiritual growth through worship, study, witness and service."

**8:30 a.m. MORNING PRAYER**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022

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## CHURCH'S CORNER

**WELCOME TO ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!** --We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. During the continuing COVID-19 pandemic some of us are still not physically present in this sacred space. Because of this we continue saying a prayer to reflect our spiritual sharing of the bread and wine. Some of this service will be read by a member of the St. Luke's Lectors Guild while responses of the people will be led by our Eucharistic Minister. We will continue to webcast worship service *via* our Facebook Page for the duration.

**TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM 8:30 A.M.**

MICHAEL FULLAM, OFFICIANT

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-PROPER 15



THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 5:1-7

THE PSALM

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18

THE EPISTLE

Hebrews 11:29—12:2

THE GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-56



Visitors are warmly welcomed to join us online for meetings and worship. Worship books may be downloaded from our web site [stlukeschurchnewhaven.com](http://stlukeschurchnewhaven.com)

**The Mission of St. Luke's Episcopal Church is to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ, and promote spiritual growth through worship, study, witness and service.**

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**, we pray for St. Peter's, South Windsor; Epiphany, Southbury; St. Paul's, Southington.

**IN OUR COMPANION DIOCESE**, we pray for Liturgical assistants serving in parishes: lectors, lay readers, Eucharistic ministers, Eucharistic visitors, lay evangelists, and vergers.

**STEWARDSHIP APPEAL: Please send in your weekly and monthly contributions to St. Luke's by mail or thru the Online portal.** You may also ask your bank or credit union to set up a monthly payment to St. Luke's through their "Bill Pay" features.

**VESTRY MEETS SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**THE VESTRY will hold their next monthly online meeting, on Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. on zoom.**

Most of the meeting is open to members and friends of the parish. Please contact the church if you would like to join the meeting.

## A Note on Today's Readings



Welcome to St. Luke's! Central to today's liturgy is the gospel call to live always in expectation of the Lord's return. That stance of waiting enables us to put all other aspects of our lives in the correct order. Material needs become not irrelevant, but secondary to our life in relationship to God in Christ. Jesus calls us to live as though he is at hand. The Eucharist is the repeated foretaste of the coming of the Lord to take us into the kingdom.

We will spend several Sundays reading through the concluding portion of Hebrews. This section deals with the call to faith that we have in Christ. Our forebearers in the faith, especially Abraham and Sarah, are presented as models of this faith, which is described as the assurance of things hoped for,

the conviction of things unseen. It is in remembering that God was faithful to our ancestors in faith that we are equipped for our own time of waiting.

The first reading relates God's promise to Abraham and Sarah, old and childless, to give them an heir and produce from them a new people. For the first time, the Scriptures express what will become central to the Gospel proclamation: righteousness depends on faith.

As we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we are upheld in our expectation of Jesus' promise to take us into his kingdom by the memory of our mothers and fathers in the faith whose hope was fulfilled by God.

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## Evening Prayer in August

	<p>Evening Prayer on the Feast of The Transfiguration of Our Lord on August 6 @ 7 p.m. on our Facebook Page</p>
	<p>Evening Prayer on the Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin on August 15 @ 7 p.m. on our Facebook Page</p>
	<p>Evening Prayer on the Feast of St Bartholomew the Apostle August 24 @ 7 p.m. on our Facebook Page</p>



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## Morning Prayer

Ordinary Time, Proper 14

Sunday, August 7, 2022

*The Officiant says*

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. *Habakkuk 2:20*

### Confession of Sin

*The Officiant then says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silence is observed.*

*Officiant and People together say:*

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 Officiant stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.  
*Amen.*

### Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

*People* And your glory all the day long.

*Officiant and People*

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

Alleluia. Christ is risen. O come let us worship. Alleluia.

**Psalm 95:1-7**

*Venite*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

*(Antiphon) Alleluia.*

For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.

*(Antiphon) Alleluia.*

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

*(Antiphon) Alleluia.*

**Psalm Appointed**

Psalm 85

**Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24**

*Deus deorum*

- 1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to  
its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
before him there is a consuming flame,  
and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 “Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice.”

- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
“O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \*  
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \*  
your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God, \*  
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
honors me; but to those who keep in my way will I show  
the salvation of God.”

*After the Psalms, all say together*

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

## **Readings**

*A period of silence will follow each reading.*

### **First Reading**

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

*Reader* Here ends the Reading.

## Canticle A

A Song of Wisdom *Sapientia liberavit*

Wisdom freed from a nation of oppressors \*  
a holy people and a blameless race.  
She entered the soul of a servant of the Lord, \*  
withstood dread rulers with wonders and signs.  
To the saints she gave the reward of their labors, \*  
and led them by a marvelous way;  
She was their shelter by day \*  
and a blaze of stars by night.  
She brought them across the Red Sea, \*  
she led them through mighty waters;  
But their enemies she swallowed in the waves \*  
and spewed them out from the depths of the abyss.  
And then, Lord, the righteous sang hymns to your Name, \*  
and praised with one voice your protecting hand;  
For Wisdom opened the mouths of the mute, \*  
and gave speech to the tongues of a new-born people.

## Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.” All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

*Reader* Here ends the Reading.



## **Canticle B**

A Song of Pilgrimage *Priusquam errarem*

Before I ventured forth,

even while I was very young, \*

I sought wisdom openly in my prayer.

In the forecourts of the temple I asked for her, \*

and I will seek her to the end.

From first blossom to early fruit, \*

she has been the delight of my heart.

My foot has kept firmly to the true path, \*

diligently from my youth have I pursued her.

I inclined my ear a little and received her; \*

I found for myself much wisdom and became adept in her.

To the one who gives me wisdom will I give glory, \*

for I have resolved to live according to her way.

From the beginning I gained courage from her, \*

therefore I will not be forsaken.

In my inmost being I have been stirred to seek her, \*

therefore have I gained a good possession.

As my reward the Almighty has given me the gift of language, \*

and with it will I offer praise to God.

## **Gospel Reading**

Luke 12:32-40

A Reading from Luke.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

*Reader* Here ends the Reading.

*Remain seated.*

## **Canticle 18**

A Song to the Lamb *Dignus es*

Splendor and honor and royal power \*

are yours by right, O God Most High,

For you created everything that is, \*

and by your will they were created and have their being;

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*

for with your blood you have redeemed for God,

From every family, language, people, and nation, \*

a royal priesthood to serve our God.

And so, to the One who sits upon the throne, \*

and to Christ the Lamb,

Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*

for ever and for evermore.

## **Homily**

Fr. Thomas C. Jackson

## **Apostles' Creed**

*All say together with the Officiant.*

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.

## Prayers

*Officiant* Hear our cry, O God.  
*People* And listen to our prayer.  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

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 Officiant and People say responsively*

**A.**  
V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. And grant us your salvation.  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. Let your people sing with joy.  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. For only in you can we live in safety.  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. Your saving health among all nations.  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

*Collect of the Day*

*The Officiant then says*

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Sundays*

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Collect for the Renewal of Life*

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Prayers of the People**

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*Please remain standing as you are able.*

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 Ian and Laura, our Bishops; for our Bishop Elect, The Rev. Jeffrey Mello; and for all bishops and other ministers;

*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*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.*

*The Presider adds a Concluding collect*

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **Prayers for St. Luke's Church Family**

*The Officiant leads prayers for the Church family of St. Luke's.*

### **Prayers for Birthdays**

*Officiant* Let us join in praying together for those having birthdays this week this prayer from the Book of Common Prayer.

*People & Officiant: O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants, Gloria, Paul, Cheryl, Matthew, Karen, Beverly, Darryl, Laurence, Valerie, Lisa, Theodore, and Shailia, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **St. Luke's Prayers List**

We pray by first name for those on our prayer list:

Genevieve Jones, Rose Jones, Craig Lindsey, Brenda Smith, Dorothy Smith, Evelyn Singley, Gloria Brown, Carol Williams-Davis, Patricia Harris, Connie

Mills, Ula Robertson, John & Leslie White, Gloria Williams, Phyllis Lindsey, Colleen Ormsby, Elnora Potter, June Davis, Nushi Biscoff, Anne-Marie Etienne, Valerie Jackson-Pittman and her daughter Andrea, Sheila Martin-Corbin, Susana Mendez, Clarence Philip, Doty Jackson, Alicia Lopez, Eileen Esdaile, Shaina Stanley, Ed & Suzy Burke, Laurence Downes, Marion Conklin, the Rev. James Venable, Anabel Smith, Ashland & family, Amy Wormley, Cecilia Parchment, Jennifer Gorley, The Obi Family, Dorothea Howard and Carl Babb.

Let us pray that they may be comforted by our prayers and God's blessing. May the Church say *Amen! Amen!*

**Prayers for Our Neighbors: for guidance to a new path**

We pray for an end to the brutal war in the Ukraine and for the restoration of peace to that land. We pray for peace in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, and all nations of the world. O Lord, let your Holy Spirit guide us to a path of peace. May the Church say *Amen! Amen!*

We pray for an end to gun violence in this city and all communities. We pray for those who are victims of antisemitism, systemic racism, or any form of prejudice. We pray for LGBTQA people as they face increasing hostility from some who claim to be 'Christians.' We pray for Trans people whose lives are threatened by politicians. O Lord, let you Holy Spirit guide us into a path of reconciliation. May the Church say *Amen! Amen!*

We pray for those addicted to drugs, alcohol, or prescription medicines. We pray for those who are beset with loneliness, who are bereft of hope, who can barely make it from paycheck to paycheck. We pray for the hungry in this neighborhood, those who cannot afford diapers for their children, and those who need clothes. O Lord, let your Holy Spirit guide us into a path of helping our neighbors heal, survive, and thrive. May the Church say *Amen! Amen!*

We pray for those who work in our schools, health care facilities, rehabilitation centers, and those who stock our supermarket shelves. We pray for those still struggling with COVID-19. We pray for those who have lost loved ones and we pray for all who died in the pandemic. O Lord, let your Holy Spirit guide us into a path of healing and renewal. May the Church say *Amen! Amen!*

*The Officiant leads prayers for the Church family of St. Luke's.*

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this

world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

*Officiant*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen. Romans 15:13*

**Announcements**

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone who helped with the picnic. Especially Fr. Jackson and members of the vestry. Special thanks goes out to, Linda Jackson, Sonni Jackson, Crystal Johnson, Lloyd Daniel, James Collins III, Jean Walker & Onica Victory. Also special visitor, Michael Benton. I hope to see you all at, "The Community Day" at the church on, 8/20/2022!  
Peace & Love,  
Donna Johnson

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