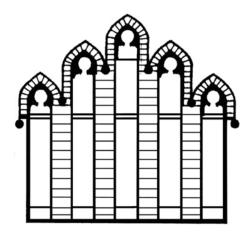
THE 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

WORSHIP

MARCH 3, 2024 8:00AM & 10:00AM



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March 3, 2024 – Lent 3 (B) Week 3: Life Transformed – The Way of Love in Lent

The journey through Lent into Easter is a journey with Jesus. We are baptized into his life, self-giving, and death; then, we rise in hope to life transformed. This Lent, communities are invited to walk with Jesus in his Way of Love and into the experience of transformed life. Together, we will reflect anew on the loving actions of God as recounted in the Easter Vigil readings. Together, we will walk through the depths of salvation history into the fullness of redemption. Throughout Lent, come along with us as we explore Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent, produced by Hillary Raining and Jenifer Gamber. You can find resources mentioned below at iam.ec/lifetransformed or by scanning the QR code to the right.



Week 3

Sunday, March 3

Today's Practice: Watch the Rev. Dr. Hillary Raining's video at iam.ec/lifetransformed for Week 3. The topic is based on the practice "Learn" and is titled, "Learn Wisdom and Live".

Read: Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6

Monday, March 4

Today's Prompt: Intentionally smile at least ten times today.

Read: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice." – Philippians 4:4

Tuesday, March 5

Today's Prompt: How might you connect with others in the spirit of renewal?

Read: "He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence." - 1 Kings 19:11-12

Wednesday, March 6

Today's Prompt: How can you build pauses into the day to reflect on the work of the Spirit?

Read: "I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing." – John 15:5

Thursday, March 7

Today's Prompt: What relationships do you need to mend?

Read: "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord." – Isaiah 55:6-8

Friday, March 8

Today's Prompt: Create a prayer representing how you seek to serve God and follow Jesus.

Read: "People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house." – M atthew 5:15

Saturday, March 9

Today's Prompt: What seminal moments have informed a need to return to Christ?

Read: "Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities." – Psalm 51:10

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HYMN 372 (The Hymnal 1982 Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy Music: Leoni, Hebrew melody)

Praise to the living God! 1 Praise the liv - ing God! All prais - ed his Name to be Form - less, all love - lv de - clare his forms love - li ness; His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will: E he im ter - nal life hath plant - ed in the soul; ø. who and and is be for the was, is, to ay same. ho ly, \mathbf{n} o ho - li ness of earth can his $\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}$ press. pro-phet's word he old: he in spoke of speak - eth still. his love shall be our strength and stay while a ges roll. The e one ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears: Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre a - tion speaks his praise, Es tab-lished is his law, and change - less shall it stand, **Praise** liv - ing God! All to the prais - ed be his Name the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years! and ev - ery-where a - bove, be - low, will beys. o deep land. writ up - on the hu - man heart, \mathbf{on} sea, onwho was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

OPENING ACCLAMATION (Book of Common Prayer, p. 355)

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

THE DECALOGUE (Book of Common Prayer, p. 350)

Celebrant Hear the commandments of God to all people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit murder.
People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.
People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not be a false witness.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth

is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION (Book of Common Prayer, p. 360)

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept – Please kneel if you are able.

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.

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (The Hymnal 1982, S95 Composer: Proulx) Said at 8:00am.

Celebrant Lord have mercy.

People Christ have mercy.

All Lord have mercy.





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (Book of Common Prayer, p. 218)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON

A reading from the Book of Exodus (20:1-7)

God spoke all these words [to Moses on Mount Sinai]:

"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

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

We will say the appointed Psalm responsively by half verse.

PSALM 19 (St. Helena Psalter)



The heavens declare your glory, O God, * and the firmament shows your handiwork.

One day tells its tale to another, * and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, * and their voices are not heard,

Their sound has gone out into all lands, * and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep you have set a pavilion for the sun; * it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

Your law, O God, is perfect and revives the soul; * your testimony is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

Your statutes are just and rejoice the heart; * your commandment is clear and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of you is clean and endures for ever; * your judgments are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can discern unwitting sins? *

Cleanse me from my secret faults.

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *

O God, my strength and my redeemer.

Choir antiphon

THE SECOND LESSON

A reading from the First Epistle to the Corinthians (1:18-25)

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

HYMN 409 (The Hymnal 1982 Words: Joseph Addison, para. Of Psalm 19:1-6 Music: Creation, Hayden) The spacious firmament on high





THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (2:13-22)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

SERMON Pastor Tristan Shin

A period of silence will follow the sermon then please stand as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED (Book of Common Prayer, p. 358)

Celebrant Let us stand together with Christians throughout the centuries and throughout the

world today, and affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed

All 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.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who 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 (Sundays and Seasons)

Celebrant We come before you in our own brokenness, in need of your grace and favor. We trust in the promise you have made to hear our prayers in the name of your Son, Jesus.

Leader We pray for wisdom, courage, and strength for all of your followers, especially those in leadership of your church. Set their hearts on you alone. Silence. Have mercy upon us,

People Set our minds on you.

Leader We pray for the leaders of the nations, that they protect and provide for their people and work for peace and justice. Silence. Have mercy upon us,

People Set our minds on you.

Leader We pray for those who struggle with disappointments, with financial insecurities, with grief over lost loved ones, or lost dreams. We pray for relief of pain for those whose bodies and hearts ache. We ask for healing for all who suffer, especially (insert prayer list here). Silence.

Have mercy upon us,

People Set our minds on you.

Leader We pray for those who have died and now rest in your eternal embrace. Comfort the loved ones who mourn their loss. Silence.

Have mercy upon us,

People Set our minds on you.

Celebrant All this we ask, O Lord, in Jesus's name, the one who lived and moved among us in

our broken world, and who loves us still.

People Amen.

THE PEACE (Book of Common Prayer, p. 360)

Officiant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The ministers and people may greet one another in the name of the Lord. Zoom attendees will be unmuted at this time and after the service so we may greet one another.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

Blessed Jesu, Fount of Mercy (Antonin Dvořák, from Stabat Mater)

Blessed Jesu, Fount of Mercy, we thy people, in thy passion, all thy sorrows share with thee.

During the offertory, a collection is gathered as we look to give back to God in thanksgiving for all the blessings in our life. As stewards of our gifts of treasure this opportunity to give back allows the church to continue its work in the world serving those in spiritual, emotional, and financial need.

When attending in person, we appreciate your remaining seated during the Offertory to enjoy the anthem. As you enter or leave the church, you may place your donation in the box labeled "Church Donation Box" at the back of the center aisle, or take advantage of the following options for giving electronically: Scan the QR code to the right; Text ("ThanksB2God" to 73256); Zelle (donate@slechurch.org); Venmo (@Saint-Lukes). Detailed information is available on the "Giving" tab of our website, slechurch.org.

Please join us by sharing your abundance and pledging for 2024. Our goal is \$525,000 and full participation.

Make your pledge on the website at slechurch.org or by scanning the QR code. If you wish to discuss your pledge, reach out to our campaign co-chairs Amy Lui Abel and Chelle Carter-Wilson at stewardship@slechurch.org.



PRESENTATION (The Hymnal 1982, 143 v.3 St. Flavian)



THE HOLY COMMUNION

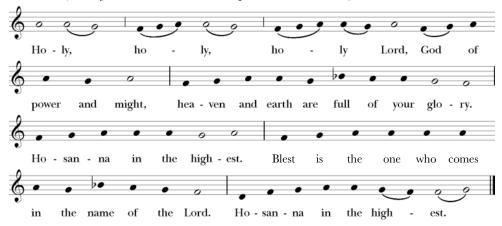
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (The Hymnal 1982, S120 Sursum corda



Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever (say) sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS (The Hymnal 1982, S122 Composer: Mason Martens)



Please stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 Jesus 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

All AMEN!

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Book of Common Prayer, p. 364)

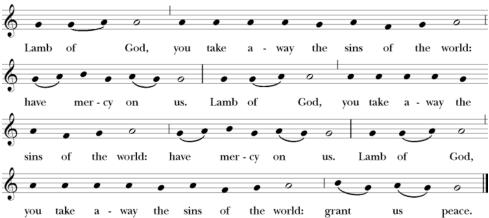
Feel free to pray in whatever language and words that bring you closer to God.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All

Mother Our | Father | who art in heaven, Creator 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.

FRACTION ANTHEM (The Hymnal 1982, S160 Composer: Mason Martens) Said at 8:00am



THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (Book of Common Prayer p. 337)

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

INVITATION (Book of Common Prayer, p. 365)

Celebrant 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.

You will be guided when it is your turn to join the Communion line.

HYMN 203 (Lift Every Voice & Sing Words: Traditional Music: American melody; arr. Carl Haywood)
There is a balm in Gilead



Please kneel.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (Book of Common Prayer p. 366)

Celebrant Let us pray.

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, 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.

SOLEMN PRAYER (Book of Occasional Services, p. 24)

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our

Lord. Amen.

HYMN 685 (The Hymnal 1982 Words: Augustus Montague Toplady Music: Toplady, Thomas Hastings) Rock of ages, cleft for me



DISMISSAL (Book of Common Prayer, p. 365)

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

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"They believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken." – John 2:22

St. Luke's Sunday Paper

JOYFULLY SEEKING AND SERVING CHRIST

Celebration of Women's History at St. Luke's:

Our celebration of Women's History Month aims to recognize the countless contributions made to church and society by our sisters throughout the world. St. Luke's actively strives to reflect the love of Jesus Christ by honoring and respecting the dignity of every human being. Our DEI Committee will meet this morning to continue their planning for events and discussions. On March 24, the DEI Committee will coordinate a Women's History Month Coffee Hour where all are invited to bring food that honors the women they love.



Joyfully Serving Through Hospitality – *Coffee Hour after the 10:00am service on Sundays* Coffee hour allows us the opportunity to joyfully celebrate our community. This morning's Coffee Hour will reflect Korean culture through food as our Associate Rector Tristan Shin, Susan Andersen, Peter Kim, Jaewoo Lee, and others provide sustenance. Tristan will offer a brief Adult Forum reflecting on the Lord's Prayer.

Our thanks in advance to Kathleen Breiten, Angela Durham, Shevon Nelson, and Sally Ross for hosting Coffee Hour on March 10. (Turn your clocks ahead so you don't miss it!) On March 17, we will have a St. Patrick's Day theme, so wear green and cook your favorite soda bread or other Irish treat. Contributions are welcome to any and all Sunday coffee hours or coordinate a team and take on a theme of your choosing. Our ongoing thanks to Steph Borsi, who sets up the coffee and tea stations every week, and to remote parishioner Janet Chisholm who funds our coffee budget. To claim a Sunday, contact our Parish Administrator, Chris Corso, at corso@slechurch.org.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday of Holy Week – *March 25 at 7:00pm:* Hear the entirety of Mark's Gospel. **Tuesday of Holy Week** – *March 26 at 7:00pm:* Pastor Tristan Shin invites you to join in a meaningful service of Holden Evening Prayer.

Wednesday of Holy Week – *March 27 at 7:00pm*: Receive the laying on of hands for healing and Communion.

Maundy Thursday – *March 28 at 7:00pm:* Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar. A mandate to love one another.

Good Friday – *March 29 at 7:00am & Noon*: Join us for worship on Good Friday as we remember Christ crucified. At Noon, we will have communion from the reserved sacrament. **Holy Saturday** – *March 30 at Noon:* Holy Saturday Service

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Easter Sunday: March 31

Invite friends and family to join the celebration of the risen Christ! We will hold Easter worship at 8:00, 9:00 (Celebrate!) and 10:00am.

Thank you to Angela Durham, Edith Gallimore, Eulalee Hamilton, Patricia Haynes, Jean Innis, Shevon Nelson, and Margaret Voorhees for their fabulous Black Diaspora-themed Coffee Hour; it was so popular that they will coordinate another in celebration of Juneteenth!

Celebrate! Kids in the Kitchen – *First Sundays each month (Today at 9:30am)*Following the 9:00am Celebrate! service, kids of all ages are invited to participate in our feeding ministry by making dessert for our Toni's Kitchen guests. Parents are encouraged to join their kids in this project that helps teach the importance of giving back out of our abundance and serving

those in need. Please email Abby Walsh at alhwalsh@gmail.com for more information or to join.

Home Team Cooks for Toni's – *First Sundays each month (Today at 11:30am)*Join the St. Luke's team in Toni's Kitchen! We meet after the 10:00am service to make an appetizer, salad, and/or dessert. The shift runs from 11:30am – 1:30pm and spots are limited. Volunteers aged 18 and up are welcome.

Nominating Committee Seeking New Vestry Persons

A Nominating Committee is being formed to identify people to serve on the Vestry and as deputies to Diocesan Convention. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone, please contact Warden Godfrey Gregg at gregg@slechurch.org. We will vote at the Annual Meeting on May 19.

Easter Bunny Brunch & BBQ, Saturday, March 30: Our Youth will gather on Friday, March 29 to set up for this event. To be part of the planning committee for the brunch, email Kathy DeWalt, Director of Family Ministries, at dewalt@slechurch.org.

TEACH US TO PRAY:

TAKE ON A NEW PRACTICE FOR LENT

There are many opportunities to engage in prayer anew this Lent. Resources on the back table of church include bible reading plans for the Gospel of John, Pray the Parish booklets, and links to Centering Prayer (Mondays at 5:00pm on Zoom), Lent Madness, and Lenten meditations through Episcopal Relief and Development. Join in person for prayerful reflection on Wednesdays; the church will be open from 5:00pm, we will offer a brief forum on ways to pray at 6:30pm, and our healing Cloud of Witnesses service starts at 7:30pm. For questions on how you might further your faith journey through prayer, contact our Rector, The Rev. John A. Mennell, at mennell@slechurch.org.



Learn a New Prayer Technique:

Each Wednesday in Lent at 6:30pm, we will teach different ways to pray including contemplative, rosary, and Taize chant.

Adult Forums on The Lord's Prayer:

At 11:30am on Sundays during coffee hour, Tristan Shin and John Mennell will teach briefly on different parts of the Lord's Prayer with discussion.

Sundays at 11:30am – Lord's Prayer	Wednesdays at 6:30pm – Ways to Pray
Mar. 3 – Food	Mar. 6 – Musical Taize Prayer
Mar. 10 – Forgiveness	Mar. 13 – Prayers of the People
Mar. 17 – Temptation/Sacrament	Mar. 20 – Adoration/Confession/Thanksgiving/Supplication
Mar. 24 – Easter & Renewal	Mar. 27 – Healing Prayer

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 3, 2024

8:00am Worship 9:00am Celebrate! Service 9:30am Kids in the Kitchen (Sawtelle)

10:00am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hour

11:30am Home Team Cooks (Sawtelle) 11:30am Teach Us to Pray (Assembly)

11:30am DEI Committee (Adult Forum Rm)
11:30am Toni's Closet Open
5:00pm Toni's Kitchen Meal

Monday, March 4, 2024

1:00pm Al-Anon Meeting (Assembly) 3:00pm Warming Center (Sawtelle)

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

10:00am Staff Check-in (Offices) 3:00pm Warming Center (Sawtelle) 8:00pm AA Meeting (Assembly)

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

10:00am Toni's Closet Open
10:30am Mindful Breath (Assembly)
3:00pm Warming Center (Sawtelle)
5:00pm Church Open for Reflection
6:30pm Teach Us to Pray
7:00pm Cloud of Witnesses Service
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm)

7:30pm Job Seekers (Assembly) Thursday, March 7, 2024

10:00am Toni's Closet Open 11:30am Toni's Kitchen Meal

Friday, March 8, 2024

10:00am Toni's Closet Open 11:30am Toni's Kitchen Meal

Saturday, March 9, 2024

10:00am Morning Prayer
10:00am Toni's Closet Open
11:30am Toni's Kitchen Meal
1:00pm We've Got Friends

Sunday, March 10, 2024

8:00am Worship
9:00am Celebrate! Service
10:00am Worship
11:30am Coffee Hour
11:30am Teach Us to Pray (Assembly)
11:30am Toni's Closet Open
5:00pm Toni's Kitchen Meal

Upcoming Events

March 24: Palm Sunday March 25-29: Holy Week March 30: Easter Bunny Brunch & BBQ

St. Luke's Servers & Liturgical Leaders

This Week March 3		Next Week March 10
Celebrant	The Rev. John A. Mennell	The Rev. John A. Mennell
Organist	Ronald Baltimore	Ronald Baltimore
Preacher	Pastor Tristan Shin	Pastor Tristan Shin
Verger	Godfrey Gregg	Godfrey Gregg
Crucifer	Emma Rodriguez	Alexa Rodriguez
Torch Bearer		
8:00 AM		
Virtual Verger	Aileen Walter	Aileen Walter
1st Reading	Keith Kawecki	Felisa Van Liew
Psalm	Keith Kawecki	Felisa Van Liew
2nd Reading	Chelle Wilson	Jack Newhouse
Intercessor	Chelle Wilson	Jack Newhouse
10:00 AM		
Virtual Verger	Stevie Tryson	Stevie Tryson
Ushers	Patt Sullivan-Perry	Shahri Griffin
	Sally Ross	Sudhir Frederick
1st Reading	Gordon Frey	Tim Mannion
Psalm	Shahri Griffin	Matthew Price
2nd Reading	Barbara Brooks Andrews	Denise Price
Intercessor	Dyan Bryson	Amy Abel

Traditionally we do not display flowers during Lent.
There will be an opportunity to dedicate
Easter flowers in the coming weeks.

Ushers at the back of the church are available to assist you at any time. **Restrooms** are on the left through the archway.

Nursery Care: Childcare is provided for our youngest parishioners so parents and guardians can enjoy the 10:00am service on their own.

Did you know? At slechurch.org, click "Weekly Service Leaflet" to view a PDF bulletin and save paper.

St. Luke's WIFI Please feel welcome to connect to any networks named "St. Luke's." PW: **mercury1** (all lowercase, numeral 1).

Welcome Cards are available in the pews and at the back of the church. Please fill one out to let us know you were here. You may place it in the church donation box in the back of the sanctuary or give it to an usher.

Name tags: As we gather, please wear your name tag so we can greet one another by name. You may leave your name tag in the basket in the Assembly Hall as you leave after Coffee Hour. If you don't find your name tag, contact Chris Corso at corso@slechurch.org for a new one.

Scan the QR code at right to donate to our ministries or pay your pledge! Contact our Parish Administrator, Chris Corso, at corso@slechurch.org for assistance with Realm. our church database.



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PLEASE JOIN US IN THESE PRAYERS, AND YOUR OWN, THIS WEEK:

Oh, Everlasting Light, awaken everyone to your justice and saving grace. Help us to be actively anti-racist and unite us to become champions of hospitality and tolerance.

Oh, Immanuel, continue to be with Your churches, our members, and our ministry. Guide us to lead, teach, and nurture Your disciples, especially The Church of the Province of Uganda, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Carlye, our Bishop, and Clergy and Lay Leaders of Church of the Good Shepherd; Ringwood and Grace Church; Rutherford.

Oh, Prince of Peace, lift the eyes of those in authority to their duty to govern wisely. End war and violence in the world and replace it with peace, especially in Palestine, Israel, Sudan, and Ukraine.

Help us see and proclaim Your love at work in the world.

Oh, Dayspring, lead us to care for this fragile earth, our island home. Help us to be thankful for all the gifts in our lives. In the coldness of winter, kindle our hearts and help us radiate Your love to others.

- Oh, Creator, remain steadfast in Your care and devotion for all of Your creation throughout the universe. We thank You for those marking birthdays this week, especially: Art Borsi on March 3, Stephanie Borsi on March 5, Warren Carr on March 7, Martha Thalheimer and Scarlet Sier on March 8, and Violet de Lagarde, Emily Mazzolla & Dina Rodriguez on March 9.
- Oh, Beloved, cradle all families who joyfully expect the birth of a child, especially Katie & Venanzio Cortese, and Emily & Chris Sarro.

Oh, Advocate, stand with those troubled physically or in spirit.

Give rest to those who are weary. Soothe those who suffer, especially

Terry – Zuri – Jennifer – Cameron – Jimmy – Gerald – Bob – Marty – Will – Jill –

Erin W – Anne T – Darryl – Daune – Jung – Philip – Howard – Sallie – Mike N –

Tom L – Suzette W – Phebe – and those we now name.

- Oh, Guiding Star, watch over and care for Marilyn H Anne M Vince C Phil A Jim X Stella X –Bruce C John M Mariah A Melliss S Leanora Lysette H Karen D Elena L Reese S Donna M Al S Rob R Adrianna D Marcelle G Francoise V Denny C Kevin D the unemployed and our guests at Toni's Kitchen.
 - Oh, Redeemer, guide those who have died in the promise of the resurrection, especially Roz Fischell, Friend of Gordon Frey, on February 25.

To include someone on the prayer list, please email The Rev. John A. Mennell at mennell@slechurch.org.