



ST. LUKE'S
Episcopal Church

BUFFALO,
Wyoming

January 26, 2025

Third Sunday after the Epiphany Online Version



Holy Eucharist Rite II

St. Luke's Vision Statement

To know and grow in Christ, through education, dedication and service.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: 1982 Hymnal #616 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong,
to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth;
before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go;
and righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.

Kings shall bow down before him, and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him, his praise all people sing;
to him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest;
from age to age more glorious, all blessing and all blest;
the tide of time shall never his covenant remove;
his Name shall stand for ever, his changeless Name of Love.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
People: **And Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

Gloria

Hymn 421

All glory be to God on high; and peace on earth from heaven,
And God's good will unfailingly be to all people given.
We bless, we worship you, we raise for your great glory thanks and praise,
O god, Almighty Father.

O Lamb of God, Lord Jesus Christ, whom God the Father gave us,
who for the world was sacrificed upon the cross to save us;
and, as you sit at God's right hand and we for judgment there must stand,
have mercy, Lord, upon us.

You only are the Holy One, who came for our salvation,
and only you are God's true Son, who was before creation.
You, only, Christ, as Lord we own and, with the Spirit, you alone
share in the Father's glory.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm **Psalm 19** (*reading responsively by half verse*)

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
 and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
 and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
 and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
 and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he 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.
- 6 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.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; *
 the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; *
 the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; *
 the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,*
 sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
 and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
 cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 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.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
 O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

Epistle **1 Corinthians 12:12-31a**

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn: 1982 Hymnal #533 "How wondrous and great"

How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name?
Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.

To nations of earth thy light shall be shown;
their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad,
till earth's every people confess thee their God.

Gospel

Luke 4:14-21

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon: The Rev. Todd Young, Rector

The Nicene Creed

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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.

Prayers of the People

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Form IV *(The Leader and People pray responsively)*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world by responding, "Hear our prayer."

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. We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Katharine, our Assisting-Bishop; Todd, our Priest; Karen, our Deacon; and all our lay ministers.

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; especially Donald, our President; Mark, our Governor; Shane, our Mayor; the United States Congress, the Wyoming Legislature, our court systems, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; 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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping Robin and Kolton, along with all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially: those affected and killed by the California wildfires, our Diocesan staff, those on our prayer list, and those whom we now name silently or aloud *(pause)* . Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially for their parents, Georgia Carnes, and Clifford & Iva Eastwood, in memory of whom the flowers on the altar are given today by Jerry & Charlotte Eastwood, 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 adds a concluding Collect

The Confession of Sin

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We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. (*Silence may be kept.*)

(Leader 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 Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Birthdays, Baptisms, & Anniversaries

Pew Sheet

Birthdays: Monica Smith (28), Louise Anderson (Feb. 1)

Baptisms: Hazel Eckland (26), Monica Smith (29), Wallace Ramsbottom (30)

Anniversaries: David & Sandy Todd (29)

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows
to the most High.

Offertory Hymn: 1982 Hymnal #341 “For the bread which you have broken”

For the bread, which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured,
for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.

By this pledge, Lord, that you love us, by your gift of peace restored,
by your call to heaven above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.

As our blessed ones adore you, seated at our Father's board,
may the Church still waiting for you keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.

In your service, Lord, defend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward,
in the world to which you send us let your kingdom come, O Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

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The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

Celebrant 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 every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all.

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

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 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, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: 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,

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional version*)

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People and Celebrant

**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 (*A period of silence is kept*)

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Communion

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.

Holy Communion is the sacred meal of the Christian faith and a foretaste of the heavenly banquet.

Baptized Christians of all denominations are invited to receive Holy Communion in this church.

Post Communion Prayer (*said in unison*)

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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.**

Blessing

Dismissal Hymn 1982 Hymnal #537 “Christ for the world we sing!”

Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring
with loving zeal; the poor and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne, sin-sick and sorrow-worn,
whom Christ doth heal.

Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring
with fervent prayer; the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed, redeemed at countless cost,
from dark despair.

Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring
with one accord; with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare, with us the cross to bear,
for Christ our Lord.

Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring
with joyful song; the newborn souls, whose days,
reclaimed from error's ways, inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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Weekly Prayer List

Healing of body, mind and soul for: The Diocesan staff, the parish family, Adrian, Andrea, Bob & Diana, Brooklyn, Christy, Cole, Dan, Dana, Dave, Dawn, Elyse, Emily, Helen, Ivan, Jayne & Steve, Jennifer, Joy, Julie, Kathy, Linda, Mary, Nancy, Nikki, Orde, Owen, Pat, Pat M., Peggy, Pitchie, Roger, Sara, Steve, Tara, Terri, Terry, Tom, and Tyler

Military: Robin Poehls, GSMC, deployed on Wayne E. Meyers DDG 108. and Kolton Watson, U.S. Marines Please keep all members of the Armed Forces in your prayers.

Diocesan prayer list: St. Thomas', Dubois

For the departed: The flowers on the altar are given today by Jerry & Charlotte Eastwood for their parents, Georgia Carnes, and Clifford & Iva Eastwood.

Useful website information:

LiveStream links are on our website: www.stlukesbuffalo.church/services

If you have a comment about the service, please email the church at stlukeswyo@gmail.com

The Diocese: www.episcopalwy.org

**** *Food pantry baskets are available at the church front door. Items needed are: soups, canned meats, canned meals (stews), and baby wipes.***

In the Life of the Church

- Weekdays:** Noonday Prayer 12:00–1:00pm
- Today:** Services at 8:00am/Rite I and 10:00am/Rite II
Adult class 9:00am and Rector’s Forum following coffee hour
Youth group 3:00pm in Onderdonk Hall
- Monday:** St. Luke’s Prayer Group—9:00am in Onderdonk Hall
- Tuesday:** Evening Prayer at Amie Holt 4:00pm
- Wednesday:** Holy Eucharist 7:00am
- Thursday:** Daughters of the King 1:00pm
- Friday:** Compline at Amie Holt 4:00pm
- Sunday:** Combined Service at 9:00am Rite II
Followed by breakfast and the Annual Meeting

Bread of Life Food Pantry

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12:00–1:00pm & 5:00–6:00pm

Today’s Announcements

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

- ◇ **January 24 to 30** Monica Smith on holiday.
- ◇ The Annual Meeting will follow the combined 9:00am service on **February 2** with a breakfast. **RSVP for breakfast head count to the office.**
- ◇ Fr. Todd will order daily Lenten meditations in February at \$10.00 a book. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you want one.

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