



**Choral Evensong
The Feast of St. Luke
October 18, 2020 · 5:00 pm**

Order of Service

Prelude

Adagio in E

Bridge

Please stand at the entrance of the ministers

Greeting & Notices

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Let us with gladness present the alms and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Sentence

Officiant The day is thine, and the night is thine; thou hast prepared the light and the sun.

Opening Responses *[sung by the choir]*

Plainsong

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.

Response And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Cantor O God, make speed to save us.

Response O Lord, make haste to help us.

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;



Response As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.
Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Response The Lord's name be praised.

Please sit for the Psalm

Psalm 147 vv.1-7 [*sung by the choir*]

Chant: Camidge

O praise the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God : yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.
The Lord doth build up Jerusalem : and gather together the out-casts of Israel.
He healeth those that are broken in heart : and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.
He telleth the number of the stars : and calleth them all by their names.
Great is our Lord, and great is his power : yea, and his wisdom is infinite.
The Lord setteth up the meek : and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.
O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving : sing praises upon the harp unto our God.

[*stand*] Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

First Lesson (*Ecclesiasticus 38:1-4,6-10,12-14*)

Honor physicians for their services,
for the Lord created them;
for their gift of healing comes from the Most High,
and they are rewarded by the king.
The skill of physicians makes them distinguished,
and in the presence of the great they are admired.
The Lord created medicines out of the earth,
and the sensible will not despise them.
And he gave skill to human beings
that he might be glorified in his marvelous works.
By them the physician heals and takes away pain;
the pharmacist makes a mixture from them.
God's works will never be finished;
and from him health spreads over all the earth.

My child, when you are ill, do not delay,
but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you.
Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly,
and cleanse your heart from all sin.



Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him;
do not let him leave you, for you need him.
There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians,
for they too pray to the Lord
that he grant them success in diagnosis
and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

Here ends the first Lesson.

Magnificat *[sung by the choir]*

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My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded *
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth *
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; *
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.

[stand] Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Words: Luke 1. 46-55

Music: Evening Service in B minor *Noble*

Second Lesson *(Luke 4:14-21)*

Then 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.”

Here ends the second Lesson.

Nunc dimittis *[sung by the choir]*

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Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, *
according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, *
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, *
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

[stand] Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Words: Luke 2. 29-32
Music: Evening Service in B minor *Noble*

The Apostles' Creed *[stand and turn East]*

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All **I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third
day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and
sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he
shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**



I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the ☩ resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The choir sings

Plainsong

Cantor The Lord be with you.
Response And with thy spirit.
Cantor Let us pray.

Please kneel

Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.
Response Christ, have mercy upon us.
Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Cantor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
Response And grant us thy salvation.
Cantor O Lord, save the State.
Response And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Cantor Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
Response And make thy chosen people joyful.
Cantor O Lord, save thy people.
Response And bless thine inheritance.
Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord.
Response Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us.
Response And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.



The Collect for the Day

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Almighty God, who didst inspire thy servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of thy Son: Graciously continue in thy Church the like love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of thy Name; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Collect for Aid against All Perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Homily

The Rev. Abby VanderBrug

Anthem

Rejoice in the Lord always,
and again I say rejoice.
Let your moderation be known unto all men.
The Lord is at hand.

Be careful for nothing;
but in every thing
by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving,
let your requests be made known unto God.



And the peace of God,
which passeth all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Text: Philippians 4:4-7
Music: Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Intercessions [*kneel or stand*]

Officiant Let us pray.

For those in our nation suffering under injustice;

For all infected with the coronavirus, all who care for them, and all who work for a cure;

For our partners in faith... **Greenwich Reform Synagogue, the Diocese of Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, the Episcopal Church of Cuba,** and in the Anglican cycle of prayer, **the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan...** for all bishops, clergy and people....

For the baptisms of **Hunter Slingluff Bealle... Loring Charles Crawford... Cecile Frances Fagan... Cameron Lee Harris... Clark Olson Harris... Estella Lynn Judson McBeth...**

For those who have been commended to us, especially **Robyn Hallock, Leigh French, Janet Gibson, Andrew, Bill Burgweger, Kay Ozanne, Buzz, Jaco and Nina Nieuwoudt, Maria, Chet Risio, Katherine, Susan Morris, Mae.**

For those who have died... and for **Andrew Marc Rinaldi... Doris and Len Rinaldi... Susan Sponheimer,** in whose memory the altar flowers are given today.

And we pray for all those whom we name now, either silently or aloud...

[The people may add their own prayers and thanksgivings.]

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ hast destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to life: Grant that we, being raised together with him, may know the comfort and strength of his presence,



and rejoice in hope of thy everlasting glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Officiant Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

All **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

Hymn

Deus tuorum militum

[Sung by the choir. Viewers from home are invited to join in singing. Those attending the service in-person are asked to refrain from singing.]

What thanks and praise to thee we owe,
eternal God and Word divine,
for Luke, thy saint, through whom we know
so many gracious words of thine.

O happy saint! his sacred page,
so rich in words of truth and love,
pours on the Church from age to age
the healing unction from above.

So grant us, Lord, like him to live,
beloved on earth, approved by thee,
till thou at last the summons give,
and we, with him, thy face shall see.

Officiant The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Voluntary

Introduction and Fugue (Sonata on the 94th Psalm)

Reubke



During the voluntary, the ministers depart.

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Serving Today

Officiant & Preacher The Rev. Abby VanderBrug
Director of Music Jamie Hitel
Organist Jonathan Vaughn
Choir Choir of Men & Boys

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of:
Andrew Marc Rinaldi and his grandparents, Doris and Len Rinaldi, by their family;
Susan Sponheimer, by Brian and Carrie Sponheimer.*