

St. Luke, Evangelist

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SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

TODAY'S THREAD: *Lord, enlighten and heal us through the evidence-based witness of Saint Luke.*

OPENING HYMN

God Has Spoken by His Prophets | 281



1 God has spo - ken by his proph-ets, Spo - ken his un -
2 God has spo - ken by Christ Je - sus, Christ, the ev - er -
3 God is speak - ing by his Spir - it, Speak - ing to the

chang - ing Word, Each from age to age pro - claim - ing
last - ing Son, Bright-ness of the Fa - ther's glo - ry,
hearts of all, In the age - less Word ex - pound - ing

God the one, the right-eous Lord. In the world's de - spair and
With the Fa - ther ev - er one, Spo - ken by the Word in -
His own mes-sage for us all. Through the rise and fall of

tur - moil One firm an - chor holds us fast: God is
car - nate, God from God, be - fore time was, Light from
na - tions One sure faith is stand - ing fast. God a -

king, his throne e - ter - nal, God the first and God the last.
Light, to earth de-scend - ing— He re - veals our God to us.
bides, his Word un-chang - ing, God the first and God the last.

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M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

PENTECOST SONG OF PRAISE

Holy God, We Praise Your Name | 278:1, 3

Te Deum



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
3 Blest Re - deem - er, vir - gin's Son, O - ver death his



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;
vic - t'ry claim - ing, Now as - cend - ed to his throne,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
Judge and king, his grace pro - claim - ing, O - pens heav'n to



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
all his own. Praise and thanks to God a - lone!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you called Saint Luke, the physician, to reveal in his gospel the love and healing power of your Son. Grant that by hearing and believing your Word we may be healed of all sin and serve you with willing hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43:8-13 EHV

Let the facts speak for themselves. No other god has a record of actions in history. The LORD is God alone. He acts just as he promised and foretold. We have witnessed this.

- 8 Bring out the people who are blind, though they have eyes,
and the people who are deaf, though they have ears.
- 9 Let all the nations be gathered together,
and let peoples be assembled.
Who among them has declared this?
Who has made known to us the former things?
Let them produce their witnesses to show that they were right,
so that people can hear and say, "This is truth."
- 10 You are my witnesses, declares the LORD.
You are my servant, whom I have chosen,
so that you may know me and believe in me,
so that you will understand that I am he.
Before me no god was formed,
and after me there will not be another.
- 11 I, yes I, am the LORD,
and apart from me there is no savior.
- 12 I myself declared it.
I brought salvation, and I announced it.
It was not some strange god among you.
You are my witnesses, declares the LORD,
and I am God.
- 13 Indeed, from the first day, I am he.
There is no one who can deliver anyone from my hand.
I act, and who can reverse it?

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 139b

The marvel of the human body gives witness to the wonder of its Creator. Luke, who marveled over the human body as a physician, came to know and gives witness to our Creator in his Gospel.

Refrain



I will praise you, O Lord, for I am won - der - ful - ly made.

Psalm tone



O LORD, you created my inmost being;*
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;*
your works are wonderful, I know that full well.
My frame was not hidden from you;*
your eyes saw my unformed body.

Refrain

All the days ordained for me*
were written in your book before one of them came to be.
How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!*
How vast is the sum of them!
Were I to count them,*
they would outnumber the grains of sand.
**Glory be 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.**

Refrain

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SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 4:5-11 EHV

Christian martyrs don't kill themselves for Jesus! They stand on Jesus Christ, even under the threat of death, because the evidence is clear. Jesus is God. Jesus is faithful. Jesus alone gives life that cannot be taken away.

⁵ As for you, keep a clear head in every situation. Bear hardship. Do the work of an evangelist. Fulfill your ministry.

⁶ You see, I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on, there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness. The Lord, the righteous Judge, will give it to me on that day, and not only to me but also to everyone who loved his appearing.

⁹ Make every effort to come to me quickly, ¹⁰ for Demas, because he loved this present world, has forsaken me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is useful to me for ministry.

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE OF THE DAY**Isaiah 52:7 cf.**

M: Alleluia. How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim salvation. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL**Luke 1:1-4; 24:44-53 EHV**

Luke was not an eyewitness of Jesus' ministry. He came to faith through the witness of eyewitnesses. Then, through careful investigation and interviews, he compiled this faithful account under the Spirit's direction.

M: The Gospel, Luke Chapters 1 and 24

^{1:1} Many have undertaken to compile an account of the events that have been fulfilled among us, ² an account like those handed down to us by those who were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word from the beginning. ³ For this reason, it seemed good to me also, since I followed everything closely from the beginning, to write an orderly account to you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴ so that you may know the certainty of the things you were taught.

^{24:44} He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms."

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He said to them, "This is what is written and so it must be: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ Look, I am sending you what my Father promised. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰ He led them out as far as the vicinity of Bethany. He lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹ And while he was blessing them, he parted from them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵² So they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³ They were continually in the temple courts, praising and blessing God. Amen.

M: This is the Gospel.



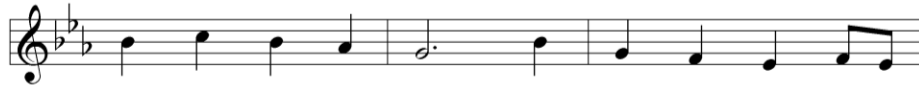
C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

By All Your Saints Still Striving | 552:1, 19, 3



1 By all your saints still striv - ing, For
 2 For Luke, be - loved phy - si - cian, All
 3 Then let us praise the Fa - ther And



all your saints at rest, Your ho - ly name, O
 praise, whose Gos - pel shows The heal - er of the
 wor - ship God the Son And sing to God the



Je - sus, For - ev - er - more be blessed. You
 na - tions, The one who shares our woes. Your
 Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in One, Till



rose, our King vic - to - rious, That they
 wine and oil, O Sav - ior, Up - on
 all the ran - somed num - ber Who stand



might wear the crown And ev - er shine in
 our spir - its pour, And with true balm of
 be - fore the throne As - cribe all pow'r and



splen - dor Re - flect - ed from your throne.
 Gil - ead A - noint us ev - er - more.
 glo - ry And praise to God a - lone.

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SERMON – See the separate sheet for the Sermon Road Map.

NICENE CREED

**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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

C: **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

M: Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

C: **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: ... Lord, in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

LORD'S PRAYER

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



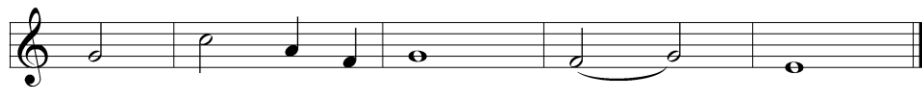
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION



1 Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;
 2 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 3 I have no help but yours nor do I need
 4 Mine is the sin but yours the right - eous - ness;
 5 Too soon we rise; the ves - sels dis - ap - pear.



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen,
 Here is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread a - new.
 An - oth - er arm but yours to lean up - on.
 Mine is the guilt but yours the cleans - ing blood.
 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone.



Here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long
 It is e - nough, O Lord, e - nough in - deed;
 Here is my robe, my ref - uge, and my peace:
 The bread and wine re - move, but you are here,



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on you lean.
 The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with you.
 My strength is in your might, your might a - lone.
 Your blood, your right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God.
 Near - er than ev - er, still my shield and sun.

6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
 Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
 Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
 The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re - news his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
 Serve the Lord with gladness.
 The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

1 Christ high - as - cend - ed, now in glo - ry seat - ed,
 2 Christ, from the Fa - ther ev - 'ry pow'r pos - sess - ing,
 3 Christ, who in dy - ing won for us sal - va - tion,
 4 Christ in his splen - dor, all do - min - ion gain - ing,
 5 As at his part - ing, joy shall ban - ish griev - ing,
 Throned and ex - alt - ed, vic - to - ry com - plet - ed,
 Who on his cho - sen lift - ed hands in bless - ing,
 Lives now the first - born of the new cre - a - tion;
 Christ with his peo - ple ev - er - more re - main - ing,
 Faith in his pres - ence strength - en our be - liev - ing;
 Death's dread do - min - ion fi - nal - ly de -
 Sends forth his ser - vants, still in faith con -
 To win dis - ci - ples out of ev - 'ry
 Christ to all a - ges, glo - ri - ous - ly
 Filled with his Spir - it, love and pow'r re -
 feat - ed— We are his wit - ness - es.
 fess - ing— We are his wit - ness - es.
 na - tion, We are his wit - ness - es.
 reign - ing— We are his wit - ness - es.
 ceiv - ing, We are his wit - ness - es.

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