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Holy Eucharist Rite II
The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 2026 8 and 10:30 a.m.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

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Welcome to St. Luke's.
We are glad you are joining us in worship today.
Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here.

***Prelude** Improvisation on *St. Anne* and *St. Petersburg*

***Processional Hymn 680** O God, our help in ages past *St. Anne*

The Word of God

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

Collect for Purity BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(8 a.m.) **Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

*Gloria

Hymnal S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

The Old Testament Lesson

Reader: A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(The congregation remains seated for the psalm)

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 Domine, refugium

1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

**2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.**

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

**4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday
when it is past*
and like a watch in the night.**

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

**6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

**14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.

**16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.**

17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

The Epistle

Reader: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians

2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition.

For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

***Sequence Hymn 574** Before thy throne, O God, we kneel *St. Petersburg*
(*Stanzas 1 and 2 before the Gospel reading; stanzas 3 and 4 following the Gospel*)

The Gospel

(Please stand as you are able)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 22:34-46

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

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

‘The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet”’?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

***Hymn 574, stanzas 3 and 4**

Sermon

The Rev. Greg Farrand

Affirmation of Faith *(Please stand as you are able.)*

from The Iona Community

**We believe in God
who is older than eternity
and younger than our next breath;
who is beyond describing
yet knows us all by name;
who inspires faith,
yet cannot be contained by religion.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone;
he came in the body to give worth to every human life.**

**He touched the untouchable,
loved the unlovable,
and endured slander, persecution and death.
But the third day he rose again,
to continue his work through us,
until the end of time.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit of God,
who longs within our souls for wholeness and peace,
who weeps with the broken and weary,
and empowers us for healing, reconciliation and hope.
We believe that God is with us,
before us, behind us, above us and within us.
We rejoice that nothing can ever separate us from the love of God,
made known in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

(Please stand or kneel as you are able.)

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

In a world so fractured by fear and division, help your Church become a living witness to compassion, humility, justice, and hope. We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sam and Jennifer, our bishops; Greg, Monnie, Chris, Susan, Vicar of Iglesia Episcopal El Buen Pastor, and all bishops, priests, deacons, and spiritual leaders.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Bring your peace to a world marked by conflict. End war, heal the broken, and turn hearts toward compassion. Shape us into people of reconciliation and hope.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Give wisdom and courage to all leaders. Soften hearts hardened by power, fear, greed, or indifference. Teach us again that every human being bears your image and dignity.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Inspire us not merely to seek comfort or certainty, but transformation. Help us become people of mercy, courage, generosity, and reconciliation in our homes, workplaces, communities, and relationships. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake.

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for all who are sick, anxious, grieving, lonely, or overwhelmed. We remember especially those struggling with depression, addiction, financial hardship, violence, displacement, or fear. We pray for immigrants, refugees, and all who long for safety and belonging. Silence our impulse toward judgment, and deepen within us the heart of Christ. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Remembering especially Thomas Anthony Muzicka, in whose memory today's flowers are given, give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Concluding Collect

BCP 395

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Amen.

Confession and Absolution

BCP 360

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Please kneel or stand as you are able)

Minister 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.**

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.
Amen.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

(Please be seated)

Announcements

***Prayer for Those Worshipping at Home**

Loving God, we also pray for those joining us in worship from home. Though they cannot share this bread and wine in person, we thank you that your Spirit joins us as one body in Christ. Bless them with your grace and presence, that they also may be strengthened to serve you in love. **Amen.**

Offertory Sentence

The Holy Communion

***Offertory** Love the Lord

J. P. Reese (from *The Sacred Harp*, 1857)
arr. Mark Schweizer (1956-2019)

Alas! and did my Savior bleed and did my Sovereign die?
Would he devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?
Oh, who is like Jesus Christ, our Savior, praise ye the Lord!
There's none like Jesus Christ, the Savior, love and serve the Lord!

Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut his glories in,
when Christ, the mighty Maker died for mortal creatures' sin.
Oh who is like Jesus Christ, our Savior, praise ye the Lord!
There's none like Jesus Christ, the Savior, love and serve the Lord!

(8 a.m.)

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

***Doxology**

Hymn 380, stanza 3

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here the celebrant adds a proper preface.

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:

(8 a.m.) 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.

***Sanctus** *(sung twice; in Spanish then in English)*

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in 4/4 time. The first system contains the first two lines of the Sanctus, and the second system contains the next two lines. The lyrics are provided in both Spanish and English.

System 1:

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

System 2:

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.
 heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

Text: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933)

The congregation may stand or kneel throughout the Eucharistic prayer.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

People: **We remember his death.**
 We proclaim his resurrection.
 We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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:

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Be known to us, Lord Jesus,
People **in the breaking of the Bread.**

Sharing of the Bread and Wine

Please make your way forward for communion. If you are unable to come forward, signal to the clergy, or let another worshipper know, and communion will be brought to you.

Most Sundays, a minister is available at the railing of the Maginnes Chapel to offer prayers for healing. If you would like these personal prayers offered for you, please go to the chapel after receiving communion. You may choose to share the reason you are requesting these prayers, or not, as you prefer.

***Communion Anthem** Prayer of St. Patrick

Bernard Sexton

Text attrib: St. Patrick, 5th c.

transl: Cecil Francis Alexander, 1818-1895

Christ be with me, Christ within me. Christ behind me, Christ before me.

Christ beside me, Christ to win me. Christ to comfort and restore me.

Christ beneath me, Christ above me. Christ in quiet, Christ in danger.

Christ in hearts of all who love me. Christ in mouth of friend and of stranger.

Prayer for Eucharistic Visitors

(If there is a commissioning of a eucharistic visitor, the following will be said)

Celebrant

In the name of this community, we send you out with these holy gifts—so that those you visit may be gathered into this same communion, sharing with us in the life, love, and presence of Christ. And as you go, know that Christ is already ahead of you, walking beside you, and alive within you.

Congregation

May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.

Postcommunion Prayer *(Please stand as you are able)*

BCP 365

**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

***Closing Hymn 605** What does the Lord require

Sharpthorne

Dismissal

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***Postlude** Improvisation on *Sharpthorne*

**10:30 service only. All music is reprinted/streamed under OneLicense #A-711257.*

***This morning's flowers are given by Bill and Carol Charping to the glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the life of Thomas Anthony Muzicka.***

This Morning's Worship Leaders

Presider and Preacher: The Rev. Greg Farrand
The Rev. Monnie Riggin, Deacon
The Rev. Chris Redmon, Deacon in Residence
8:00 Crucifer-acolyte: Jan Freeman
8:00 Reader/Intercessor: John Hodges-Copple
8:00 LEM Chalice: Chris Reed
10:30 Crucifer-acolyte: Randy Griffin
Torches: Samantha Medina, Samyra Medina
10:30 Reader: Martha Engelke
10:30 Intercessor: Bob Buchanan
10:30 Chalice: Chris Reed, E. June Santa
Healing: Kristi Duke
Organist and Choir Director: David Arcus
Livestream: Steve Dedrick
Ushers: Bill Charping, LaRue Dedrick

Vestry Election Schedule

This morning we will hold a brief preliminary meeting following both the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. services. At these meetings, you will have an opportunity to learn about the current nominees, and we will open the floor for additional nominations.

On Sunday, November 8, vestry election takes place. Following each service, we will hold a brief meeting, distribute ballots, and vote. All members of St. Luke's who are in good standing are eligible to participate.

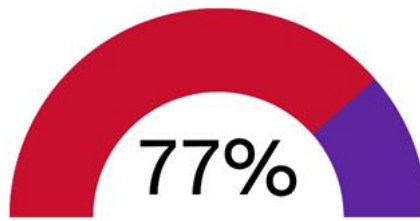
If you are unable to attend worship on November 8, absentee ballots will be available beginning Friday, October 30. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to our parish coordinator Kaye Saunders by 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 5.

Adult Forum Today: *The Last Rhodesian*, a short film by June & Jason Williams 9-10 a.m. in Johnson Hall

Following a World Premiere at the Raleigh Fringe Festival, the filmmakers of *The Last Rhodesian*, a short film featuring several St. Luke's members, will present a screening and a talk back with the cast and director. After viewing *The Last Rhodesian*, we will explore issues of race, religion and a misguided sense of restitution. Cast members include: Cathy Rimer-Surles, Vicki and Jim Fuller, Eileen Peterson Morgan, Patricia LeMoine, Sue Guptill, David Sennett, Paul Newell *with* Melissa Lozoff *and* Elizabeth June. Directed by Jason S. Williams.

ST. LUKE'S PLEDGE CAMPAIGN

PROGRESS UPDATE



WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS!

\$345,383 raised
\$450,000 goal

77% funded

\$104,617 to go

With 70 pledges so far, we're about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way there.
Every contribution brings us one step closer.

This year we are celebrating the many ways St. Luke's continues to be a community of faith, joy, and service. Our pledges make possible the shared life of this parish—from worship, music, clergy, and staff to outreach, pastoral care, our buildings, and the everyday work of welcoming and serving our neighbors. As we look toward 2027, we invite you to continue your pledge, make one for the first time, or, if you are able, consider increasing your support as we continue to care for one another, deepen our faith, and follow where God is calling St. Luke's next!



Are you using Church Center yet?

St. Luke's has its own unique setup link for the Church Center app. When you scan this QR code on a mobile device, you'll see links to download the app. Once the app installs, it will have St. Luke's pre-selected — no extra steps required! If you prefer to use a browser, find the link in the Friday ENews. For the next several weeks, someone will be available after each Sunday service to offer any needed

assistance downloading or getting started with the Church Center app, where you can edit your profile, see your giving history, sign up for an event, view the parish calendar, make a donation or pledge payment, and more!

Are you curious about St. Luke's upcoming pilgrimage to Greece? Join us in the Kramer Room after the 10:30 service this morning to learn more about *Walking in the Footsteps of Paul, March 2–10, 2027*.

We will discuss the itinerary—including Thessaloniki, Meteora, Delphi, Corinth, and Athens—as well as accommodations, cost, airfare, and registration. Attending the meeting does not commit you to the trip, so please join us if you are interested or simply want to learn more!

Halloween Trunk-or-Treat

We still need folks who are willing to be a part of this fun event for kids in the community! On Saturday, October 31, you are invited to decorate the trunk of your car—as simply or creatively as you like, and hand out candy. We will also have face painting for the kids! Please arrive at St. Luke's by 4:30 p.m. to park and decorate your car before we open to the community from 5:30–7:00 p.m.

Plenty of candy will be needed for this event, so even if you can't do Trunk or Treat, please bring a bag or two of candy this week and put it in the box just outside the parish office!

We are handing out flyers to everyone who visits our Pumpkin Patch and promoting the event throughout the community. This is a meaningful opportunity to meet our neighbors, welcome children and families to St. Luke's, and create a joyful and hospitable space on our campus. *Please sign up using the link in the Friday ENews or in the Sprague Room, and let us know you will be bringing a decorated trunk.*

Participate in the Upcoming EBP/St. Luke's Ofrenda

As part of our shared life and community together, St. Luke's and Iglesia Episcopal El Buen Pastor are once again sponsoring a joint Ofrenda and All Saints' Day Service October 31-Nov 2. If you would like to participate in the Ofrenda, please email or bring Kaye Saunders (parish-coord@stlukesdurham.org) pictures of your deceased loved ones, along with their names, **by Wednesday, October 28**. If received by then, they will be pre-placed on the Ofrenda as it is prepared. If you prefer, starting Oct. 31 at 5:30 pm during Trunk or Treat, bring a picture or memento of your loved one and place it on the Ofrenda that will be located in Maginnes Chapel (side chapel in the nave). We will remember our loved ones with Evening Prayer in the Maginnes Chapel at 7 p.m. on All Hallows' Eve (Oct. 31) and

at 5:30 p.m. on All Souls' Day (Nov. 2). Join us as we remember and celebrate together the lives and legacies of the Saints in Light!!

Join us on All Saints' Sunday, November 1 for a joint service at 10:30 with Iglesia Episcopal El Buen Pastor and St. Luke's as we celebrate All Saints and *Día de los Muertos*, the Day of the Dead. Together, we will remember those we love who have died and give thanks for the communion of saints that holds us together across generations.

Everyone is invited to bring photographs of loved ones who have passed away (see above announcement) to place on our ofrenda, an altar of remembrance. During the service, we will read the names of loved ones from both parishes who have died this past year. **If you would like someone's name included, please call or email Kaye Saunders by Oct 28.**

Following worship, we will share lunch with both parishes. The main course will be provided, and St. Lukers are invited to bring a side dish or dessert. Come share in this celebration of remembrance, hope, and our life together!

Please be reminded that John Wyman's funeral will be held at St. Luke's on Saturday, Nov 7 at 2 p.m., with a reception to follow in the Sprague Room.

Children's Chapel in Johnson Hall

Families are invited to drop their children off before the 10:30 service begins. They will gather for Children's Chapel and then be led back into the church in time to join the community for the celebration of the Eucharist. During Children's Chapel, the children participate in a Liturgy of the Word through bible stories, song, and prayer. We are also working on memorizing the Lord's Prayer through recitation.

We offer nursery care from 9-11:45 a.m. in our nursery in Johnson Hall, just across the breezeway from the church.

You can still commemorate St. Luke's 70th anniversary with our new T-shirt and sweatshirt! You can still order in the Sprague Room or in Friday's ENews. The prices are low for great-quality products. See a shirt example in the Sprague Room.

Preowned Christmas Decoration Sale

Don't miss the Preowned Christmas Decoration Sale in Johnson Hall, Saturday, November 7, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. This will be a great time to donate all those Christmas decorations you haven't used in a long time. Check those attics, garages, and closets for treasures others may enjoy this season. Any holiday item will be welcome. Donations accepted **Sunday, November 1, through Thursday, November 5, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.** We need many

volunteers for pricing, organizing, and helping with displays. Any time and any number of hours would be appreciated! Please come help set up for this BIG sale on Sunday, November 1, after the 10:30 church service. Hot coffee, hot cider, and sodas will be available all week. See Beth Bonner for any questions.

Explore St. Barbara Orthodox Church — November 14

Fr. Stavroforos invites St. Luke's to an ecumenical tour of St. Barbara Orthodox Church on Saturday, November 14, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Discover the beauty of this Byzantine-style domed church and learn about the worship and traditions of Eastern Christianity. A special highlight will be the stunning new iconography in the central dome and apses.

St. Barbara is located at 8306 NC Hwy 751 in Durham, half a mile south of I-40, Exit 274. You're welcome to carpool from St. Luke's or drive directly; ample parking is available.

Afterward, join us for an optional lunch at Kipos Greek Taverna, 1800 E. Franklin Street, Chapel Hill. No registration is needed for the tour. A separate lunch sign-up email will be coming soon so we can provide the restaurant with a headcount.

Pecans Are Back!

Orders are now being taken for pre-Thanksgiving delivery in November. Product brochures are in the Sprague room for your perusal prior to placing your order. Start your gift list and baking list now to be ready for the holidays. Place your order online in the Friday ENews or in the back of the Sprague Room.

This Week's Calendar

(Please check parish calendar at stlukesdurham.org for possible updates.)

Sunday, October 25

8 and 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Presider and preacher: The Rev. Greg Farrand

9-10 a.m. Adult Forum in Johnson Hall: ***The Last Rhodesian***

10:15-11:30 a.m. Children's Chapel

11 a.m.-2 p.m. Johnson Hall reserved for lunch

11:45 Informational Meeting about Greece Pilgrimage

12:30 p.m. EBP Holy Eucharist, *Nave*

1-7 p.m. Pumpkin Patch open

Monday, October 26

10:30-11:30 a.m. Office Support Ministry meeting, *Kramer Room*

1-7 p.m. Pumpkin Patch open

3-4:30 p.m. Choir sectional rehearsals, *Music Room*

6:30 p.m. St. Luke's Vestry meeting, *Kramer Room*

7-10 p.m. Campus Cleaning

Tuesday, October 27

9 a.m. Centering Prayer, *Nave*

9:45-11 a.m. Staff Meeting, *parish office closed*

11:00 a.m. Croasdaile Eucharist

1-7 p.m. Pumpkin Patch open

5:30-7 p.m. Looking Forward Together potluck dinner, *Johnson Hall*

6:30-8:30 p.m. EBP meeting, *Kramer Room*

Wednesday, October 28

11:30 a.m. Noonday Prayer, *Zoom*

1-7 p.m. Pumpkin Patch open

6:15 p.m. Nave reserved for choir setup

7-8:30 p.m. St. Luke's Choir rehearsal, *Nave*

Thursday, October 29

9 a.m. Morning Prayer, *Nave*

12:45 p.m. Nave reserved for handbells setup

1:15-2:30 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal, *Nave*

1-7 p.m. Pumpkin Patch open

6-8 p.m. EBP choir rehearsal, *Music Room*

7-8:30 p.m. Evangelism/Communications Team Mtg, *Zoom*

7-10 p.m. Campus Cleaning

Friday, October 30

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Connections and Support, *Zoom*

1-7 p.m. Pumpkin Patch open

Saturday, October 31

EBP and STL Community Ofrenda, *Nave*

7-9 a.m. Food Distribution, *parking lot*

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild setup, *Nave*

5:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat, *parking lot*

6-8 p.m. Nave reserved for ofrenda setup

10 a.m.-7 p.m. Pumpkin Patch open

Upcoming at St. Luke's

***Looking Forward Together* Dinner • Tues, Oct 27, 5:30 p.m. Johnson Hall**

Trunk-or-Treat • Sat, Oct 31, 5:30-7 p.m. • St. Luke's Parking Lot

Community Ofrenda • Sat, Oct 31-Mon, Nov 2, Nave

**All Saints' Day Joint Service with EBP • Sun, Nov 1, 10:30 a.m.
followed by lunch in Johnson Hall**

Chrismons Workshop • Wed, Nov 4, 1-4 p.m., Kramer Room

Pre-owned Holiday Decorations Sale • Sat, Nov 7 • Johnson Hall

Vestry Election • Sun, Nov 8, 8 & 10:30 services

Ladies' Lunch Bunch • Tues, Nov 10, 11:30 a.m. (contact Beth Bonner)

St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church Pilgrimage • Sat, Nov 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

St. Luke's Men's Lunch Meeting • Tues, Nov 17, 12-1:30 p.m., Kramer Room

St. Luke's Stitchers • Wed, Nov 18, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Kramer Room

**Stillpoint and Wed Night Supper • Wed, Nov 18 • 5:30 service, 6:00 supper
supper signup deadline Nov 16**

Garden Work Day • Sat, Nov 21, 8 a.m.

More about St. Luke's

Newcomers

If you are a newcomer, welcome! We have coffee hour with refreshments in the Sprague Room after each service. Please join us to say hello! Stop by the Newcomers table (also in the Sprague Room) where you can learn more about St. Luke's, request a nametag, fill out a visitors' card, and maybe make a new friend.

Online Church Directory

St. Luke's parish directory is now exclusively online. To view and update your contact information or photo, or look up contact information for other parishioners, you must activate your account using the email address you placed on file with the parish office. If you are unsure what email you used, or need instructions for activating your account, please contact directory@stlukesdurham.org

St. Luke's Email- What's in it for you?

Our email list lets you stay up to date on parish news and fellowship events, stay aware of difficult times facing your fellow parishioners, and receive the latest issue of our monthly newsletter. Make sure the Parish Coordinator (parish-coord@stlukesdurham.org) has your email address or subscribe automatically by going to stlukesdurham.org and scrolling down to "Connect with us."

St. Luke's Calendar

Our parish calendar is up to date on Church Center and on our website at stlukesdurham.org. Weddings, baptisms, funerals, and other special services are scheduled by the clergy. The Parish Coordinator, Kaye Saunders, can help you arrange meetings or other events. Contact her at parish-coord@stlukesdurham.org, or call the church office at 919-286-2273.

Ways To Give:

- Check (drop it in the plate or mail to our Parish Coordinator)
- Through Church Center using a credit card or debit from your bank account, choosing from the dropdown menu the fund to which you wish to donate
- Push payments from your bank or credit union to the Church, just like bill-pay payments for your regular bills
- Initiate a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA if you are 70 1/2 or older

Sunday Flowers

If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday service in memory or honor of a loved one, please sign up on the flowers calendar on the wall outside the parish office. A special bouquet will be provided for the Sunday service on the date you choose. The cost is \$100. Pay through Church Center on the "Give" page choosing "Flower Donations for Sunday Services" from the dropdown menu, or pay by check to St. Luke's noting "Sunday flowers" on the memo.

Submission of Materials for the Newsletter

The deadline for submitting materials for the monthly newsletter is the 20th of each month. Please email your materials to Babs Wise: babs.wise@gmail.com.

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Mondays-Wednesdays 9-5
Thursdays available by phone
Other times by appointment

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