

CHRIST & SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 21, 2026, 10:15 a.m.

*All page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1982.
Service music, marked with an 'S', may be found in the front portion of the hymnal.*

PRELUDE: Adoration

Florence Price

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

HYMN 524: I love thy kingdom, Lord

St. Thomas

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: Hymnal S 280

Robert Powell

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 20:7-13

O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor

will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 69: 8-11, 18-20 (*read responsively by half verse*)

8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, *
and shame has covered my face.

9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, *
an alien to my mother's children.

10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; *
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

11 I humbled myself with fasting, *
but that was turned to my reproach.

18 Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; *
in your great compassion, turn to me.'

19 Hide not your face from your servant; *
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

20 Draw near to me and redeem me; *
because of my enemies deliver me.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 6:1b-11

SHOULD we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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THE GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-39

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

JESUS said to the twelve disciples, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Noah Van Niel

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM II

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Susan, our Bishop, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

The Priest adds concluding prayers and collect.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(please kneel)*

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.

THE PEACE *(please stand)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: If with all your heart, from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

Gary Montgomery, tenor

If with all your heart ye truly seek Me,
Ye shall ever surely find Me, Thus saith our God.
Oh, that I knew where I might find Him,
That I might even come before His presence.

Please stand as the Celebrant approaches the altar.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

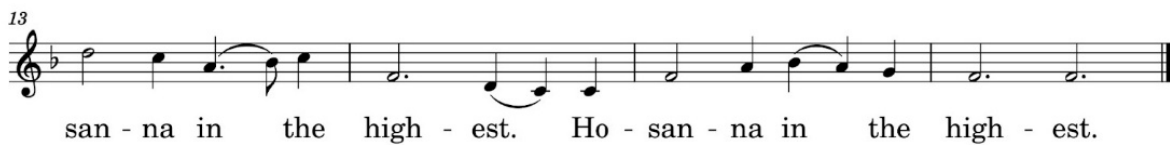
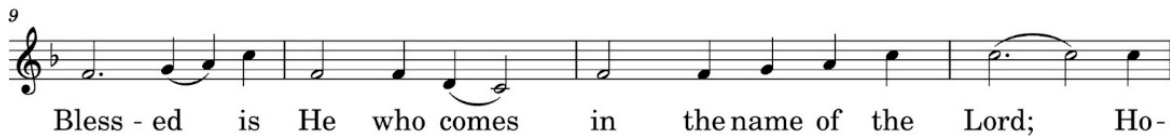
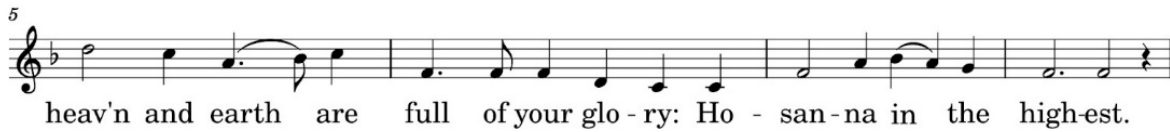
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

SANCTUS

Land of Rest



The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

FRACTION ANTHEM: Hymnal S 172

Mason Martens

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (*please be seated*)

Communion at Christ & St. Luke's:

- At the indication of the usher, please move to the center aisle and proceed up the altar rail. Move to the open spot filling in from the center of the rail to the wall.
- Kneel as you are able and place one hand over the other, palms up, to receive the bread.
- To sip from a chalice to receive the wine, consume the bread leaving your palms empty.
- To intinct (dip) your wafer into the wine, hold it between your thumb and forefinger.
- Once the chalices have passed, exit out the side and back down the side aisles to your pew.

Gluten free wafers are available, simply let the priest know you require one. If you prefer not to receive the bread or wine but would like a blessing, gently cross your arms across your chest.

A standing station is also available in front of the pulpit.

COMMUNION ANTHEM: View me, Lord

Richard Lloyd

View me, Lord, a work of Thine: Shall I then lie drown'd in night?
Might Thy grace in me but shine, I should seem made all of light.
Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel At Thine altar pure and white:
They that once Thy mercies feel, Gaze no more on earth's delight.
Worldly joys, like shadows, fade When the heav'nly light appears,
But the covenants Thou hast made, Endless, know nor days nor years.
In Thy Word, Lord, is my trust, To Thy mercies fast I fly;
Though I am but clay and dust, Yet Thy grace can lift me high.

COMMUNION HYMN 596: Judge eternal, throned in splendor

Komm, O komm du geist des lebens

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant Let us pray. (*please stand or kneel*)

People 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, Father, 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.

THE BLESSING

HYMN 530: Spread, O spread, thou mighty word

Gott sei dank

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Intrada

Grayston Ives

MUSIC NOTES

Tenor Gary Montgomery holds a BM in Vocal Performance from Christopher Newport University. He is a frequent concert soloist and has been seen in recital throughout Virginia, the United States, and abroad. He has been singing at Christ & St. Luke's for three years and works for the Virginia Arts Festival helping bring world-class performing arts to the Hampton Roads area.

WE INVITE YOUR PRAYERS

If you would like to be added to the Prayer List, please contact a member of clergy or BJ Taylor, Facilitator for Pastoral and Congregational Care (taylorasc@aol.com).

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of South India.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Christ the King, Tabb and St. Paul's, Surry.

All those facing illness, surgery, injury or adversity, especially: Susan Bryant, Perry Bussard, Martin Davis, Brian Easley, Sylvia Ipock, Chris Kline, John Mansell, Auris Torres, and Marie Ward. We pray for all who are deployed. We pray also for the people of Ukraine and for a just and lasting peace in the Holy Land.

Those who ask for our continuing prayers: Carter Bernert, David Black, David Durica, Peggy Enright, Joe Fiveash, Marilyn Gindroz, Valerie Harrington, Chris Lange, Wayne Lundie, Ceil McCoid, Mary Helen McCoy, Elmer Morales-Torres, William Naylor, Leon Parham, Ann Prince, Allen Shaffer, William Swan, and Jake Tobin.

Our loved ones needing continuing prayers: Mary Baldrige, Ron Baldrige, Ryker Bellamy, Gail Bowling, Laurel Buntin, Betsy Buntin-Rossi, Ellen Coffman, Carlo DiTommaso, Nancy Hoffman, Calvin Horsley, Dean Kershaw, James Kilavey, Wesley Lupo, Joyce Neighbours, Marjorie Short, Mavis Stapleford, Christine Szeligowski, and Autumn Vandehei.

Upcoming Birthdays: June 22 – 28

Suzanne Bolt, Laura Buchholz, Jennifer Cheney, Kristel Fitzgerald, Julia Giacona, Joey Klein, Margaret Land, Leona Sophia Levingston, and Win Lewis.

Upcoming Anniversaries: June 22 – 28

Mallory & Otis Butler, Merri & Keith Ehrhard, Dorothy & Tim Holt, Linda & Errol Lewis, Mollie & Tom McCune, and Betty Ann & Bower Patrick.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY & MUSIC

Orange Stoles for Gun Violence Awareness – Today, 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Today, you will notice your clergy wearing special orange stoles. Orange is the color of the gun safety movement and, since June is National Gun Violence Awareness month, we are showing our support for gun safety by utilizing these special stoles. They were made by Colleen Hintz, and half of the proceeds are given to the Episcopal organization: Bishops United against Gun Violence.

***Saint John's Bible* Docent – Today, following the 10:15 a.m. service, in the parlor**

An Arts Guild docent will be available today after the 10:15 a.m. service to help you read our heritage edition of *The Saint John's Bible*. Come engage with this glorious work of devotional art and scripture.

Usher & Greeter Recruitment

Ushers and Greeters play an important role in our common life at Christ & St. Luke's. They are often the first point of contact for anyone who enters our doors for worship, they help orient newcomers to our space, and they play a vital role facilitating our worship services. We're recruiting new members to join this group of volunteers to serve at the 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Sunday services. If you're interested in serving as a Greeter or Usher, please reach out to Fr. Jared (jared.grant@christandstlukes.org) and keep an eye out for information on an usher & greeter training coming up this summer.

FORMATION

Sunday Childcare and Children's Chapel Summer Schedule

- **9:00 a.m. - *Children up to 3 years old*** gather in the blue room in the Parish House at the end of the hallway before the stairs for childcare if their parents are attending adult formation or in the choir.
- **10:15 a.m. - *All children through 8 years old*** participate in developmentally appropriate worship during Children's Chapel in their respective rooms. Older children will be brought into church to rejoin their families at the Peace. If you would like your child under 3 to join you at the Peace, please come to the Children's Room at that time to sign them out.
- **While children's formation has concluded for the program year, childcare for children under 3 and Children's Chapel will continue through the summer. Please escort your child and sign them in when they arrive for Childcare or Children's Chapel.**

FELLOWSHIP

Tides Ticket Pick up Today – Game Day is Tuesday, June 23, 6:30 p.m.

If you ordered Tides tickets, they are available for pick up at the reception desk today, June 21. You may pick up your pre-ordered tshirt there as well. Please email Stephanie Weidenhammer (stephanie.weidenhammer@christandstlukes.org) with questions. *Please note: We cannot hold tickets at will call. We'll meet you at the ballgame Tuesday, June 23!*

Parish Picnic – Sunday, July 5, following the 10:15 a.m. service

Summer is here, and it's time for food, fellowship, and fun! The Men's Group is firing up the grill and will be serving up classic hotdogs and burgers for everyone to enjoy. We'll be gathering outside in the crescent by the Win Lewis Community House. Whether you are a longtime parishioner or visiting for the first time, there is a place at the picnic for you.

FAITH IN ACTION

Friends of Foster Care Birthday Gift Drive

What a fantastic response to our Friends of Foster Care Birthday Gift Drive! **If you have not yet returned your wrapped gifts, please do so today, June 21.**

June is Gun Violence Prevention Month

We live in a country where there are more guns than people. As a result, gun violence has emerged as a devastating epidemic that plagues our common life. With over 40,000 lives lost to firearms in the past year alone, this epidemic demands our attention and action. The Episcopal Church has long advocated for common-sense gun safety laws to end this scourge and we are especially proud that our own Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes is an active member of *Bishops United Against Gun Violence*. As a visible witness for peace and a reminder of our call to protect human life, our clergy will be wearing special orange stoles, the official color of the gun safety movement, during services on Sunday, June 21. And because our faith requires tangible action, we will also be offering gun safety notes throughout the month to encourage you to be a part of saving lives in our community. Let's make a difference together.

- Over 60% of gun deaths in 2024 and 2025 were suicides. That's over 27,000 people. If you know someone is struggling and in need of help, reach out to them. And if necessary, there are steps you can take to have guns removed from their homes if they are a danger to themselves or others.

ADMINISTRATION

Pledge Payments

Past years have shown that as we move into summer, people's annual pledge payments tend to fall behind. We appreciate you making a point to keep your pledge payments current so we can continue to pay our bills, which, unfortunately, do not take a summer vacation! If you have any questions about your pledge contact Luisa Vazquez-Lopez (office@christandstlukes.org). And if you missed our fall pledge drive but would still like to make a financial commitment to support our mission and ministry, you are welcome to do so. Just be in touch with Luisa and let her know.

Additional Parking Available this Summer

Please note that additional parking is available at Ohel Sholom Temple on all Sundays this summer through August.

The Williams School Preschool at Christ & St. Luke's

Did you know Christ & St. Luke's has a guaranteed five spots at the Williams School Preschool for 3-4 year-olds? And that need-based scholarship aid is available? This full-year, full-day program has quickly become one of the premiere pre-primary educations in the city. And it's now more accessible than ever. If you or someone you know is interested, contact Casey Lee (clee@thewilliamsschool.org) for more information, or reach out to the church and we'll get you connected.

*For more on our ongoing ministries, meetings and programs, please see our events calendar online.
If you'd like to suggest an upcoming event for inclusion in the calendar please email
communications@christandstlukes.org.*



Christ & St. Luke's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICES AND FORMATION

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)
Sunday, 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum & Children's Formation
Sunday, 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)
Thursday, 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Chapel)

The Reverend Noah Van Niel, Rector
The Reverend Jared Grant, Associate Rector
The Reverend Vince Connery, Assisting Priest
Kevin Kwan, Organist & Director of Music
Marjorie Setnicky, Associate Organist
Kathy Hanna, Director of Family, Youth and Children's Ministry
Luisa Vázquez-López, Chief Operating Officer
Rachel Welch, Director of Parish Life
Matthew Davis, Communications Director
Stephen Ipock, Facilities Manager
Will Lee, Media Specialist
David Roberts, Sexton for Security

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Hearing assistance devices are available in the back of the Church.

