



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 24, 2021 + -10:30 A.M.  
HOLY EUCHARIST

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*You are invited and encouraged to participate fully in this liturgy by praying and singing with us from home. Those in attendance, please refrain from singing hymns, have your mask on at all times, and maintain distancing.*

Voluntary Benedictus

Alec Rowley

Hymn 408 Sing praise to God who reigns above

Mit freuden Zart



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -  
2 What God's al-might - y power hath made, his gra - cious mer - cy  
3 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly Name give God all praise and



a - tion, the God of power, the God of love, the God of  
keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade his watch - ful  
glo - ry; let all who know his power pro - claim a - loud the



our sal - va - tion; with heal - ing balm my soul he fills, and  
eye ne'er sleep - eth. With - in the king - dom of his might, lo!  
won - drous sto - ry! Cast each false i - dol from its throne, the



ev - ery faith - less mur - mur stills: to God all praise and glo - ry.  
All is just and all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry.  
Lord is God, and he a - lone: to God all praise and glo - ry.

Words: Johann Jacob Schütz (1640-1690); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

Music: *Mit Freuden zart*, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. *Pseaumes cinquante de David*, 1547, and *Kirchengeseng darinnen die Heubtartikel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset*, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent.)

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

*Book of Common Prayer, 355*

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### Collect for Purity

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 Said by all.*

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.**

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* 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 Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about

the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 62:6-14** *Spoken by all.*

**6** For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*  
truly, my hope is in him.

**7** He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*  
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

**8** In God is my safety and my honor; \*  
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

**9** Put your trust in him always, O people, \*  
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

**10** Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*  
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

**11** On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \*  
all of them together.

**12** Put no trust in extortion;  
in robbery take no empty pride; \*  
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

**13** God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*  
that power belongs to God.

**14** Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*  
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

## **Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God

# Gradual Hymn 550 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult

Restoration

*Unison or harmony*

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult  
 2 as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it  
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship  
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows,  
 5 Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies,

1 of our life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his  
 2 by the Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and  
 3 of the vain world's gold - en store; from each i - dol  
 4 days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in  
 5 Sa - vior, make us hear thy call, give our hearts to

1 clear voice sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"  
 2 toil and kin - dred, leav - ing all for his dear sake.  
 3 that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 4 cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 5 thine o - be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

Music: *Restoration*, melody from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. *Hymnal 1982*, after *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

## The Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw

James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Robert Black

The Nicene Creed

*Said by all.*

BCP, 358

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 - Form IV

BCP, 388

*Deacon:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

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.

*Silence*

*People:* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon:* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

*People:* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon:* 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*

*People:* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon:* 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*

*People:* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon:* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

*People:* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon:* We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*People:* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## The Confession of Sin

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence*

*All:* 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

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

*People:* **And also with you.**

### Announcements

**Birthday Prayer** *Prayed by all.*

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Birthdays last week:* Bethany Fortner, Grace Eppehimer, Scott Misenheimer, Robert Black, Kathleen Dunn, Greg Shields, Chad-Malik Umoja

*Birthdays this week:* Betty Ralston, Brian Whitson, Edward Norvell, Caroline Stephenson, JoAnn Bernhardt, Hank Newman

### Offertory Sentence and Offering

*Your generous support is greatly appreciated. There are several ways to contribute to St. Luke's:*

- 1) Set up an auto-draft with your financial institution.
- 2) Mail a check to 131 West Council Street, Salisbury, NC 28144.  
Please do not bring checks to the office at this time.
- 3) Give online at [www.SLS.church/give](http://www.SLS.church/give)
- 4) Text 73256 with the message: Stlukes # (# is the amount you want to give)

Thank you for your support, as always. Contact Tracey ([tracey@sls.church](mailto:tracey@sls.church)) with questions.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 660 O Master, let me walk with thee

Maryton

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly  
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,  
3 Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,  
4 in hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret;  
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward  
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith  
fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly  
help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.  
sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,  
thou canst give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Words: Washington Gladden (1836-1918) Music: *Maryton*, Henry Percy Smith (1825-1898)

### The Doxology: #137, verse 5

Wareham



5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly  
Spi - rit, ev - er One, vouch - safe to bring us  
by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.

### Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, 361

*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.**

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. [*The Celebrant inserts the Proper Preface appointed for the day*] 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:

*All:*           **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 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.

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:

*All:*       **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.

*People:* **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant:*       And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All:*               **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.

### Fraction Anthem

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

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

### Spiritual Communion (adapted from *St. Augustine's Prayer Book*)

*The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability (or in our case, a pandemic) the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion. When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing.*

→ During the Communion hymn or while the few people facilitating worship partake in the Eucharist, you may pray the **Act of Reception for Spiritual Communion**:

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering the Eucharist being celebrated at this moment at St. Luke's, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### Hymn At Communion 653 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Repton

1	Dear	Lord	and	Fa -	ther	of	man - kind,	for -
2	In	sim -	ple	trust	like	theirs	who heard,	be -
3	O	Sab -	bath	rest	by	Gal -	i - lee!	O
4	Drop	thy	still	dews	of	qui -	et - ness,	till
5	Breathe	through	the	heats	of	our	de - sire	thy

1 give our fool - ish ways! Re - clothe us in our  
 2 side the Syr - ian sea, the gra - cious call - ing  
 3 calm of hills a - bove, where Je - sus knelt to  
 4 all our striv - ings cease; take from our souls the  
 5 cool - ness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let

1 right - ful mind, in pur - er lives thy ser - vice find, in  
 2 of the Lord, let us, like them, with - out a word, rise  
 3 share with thee the si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty in -  
 4 strain and stress, and let our or - dered lives con - fess the  
 5 flesh re - tire; speak through the earth - quake, wind, and fire, O

1 deep - er rev - erence, praise, in deep - er rev - erence, praise.  
 2 up and fol - low thee, rise up and fol - low thee.  
 3 ter - pret - ed by love! in - ter - pret - ed by love!  
 4 beau - ty of thy peace, the beau - ty of thy peace.  
 5 still, small voice of calm, O still, small voice of calm.

Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892), alt. Music: *Repton*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918), alt.

## The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP, 365

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*All:* 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.

## The Blessing

Hymn 539 O Zion haste, thy mission high fulfilling

*Tidings*

O Zi - on, haste, thy mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,  
 Pro - claim to ev - ery peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion  
 Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious;  
 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere thou meet him,

to tell to all the world that God is Light;  
 that God, in whom they live and move, is Love:  
 give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;  
 make known to ev - ery heart his sav - ing grace;

that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing  
 tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion,  
 pour out thy soul for them in prayer vic - to - rious  
 let none whom he hath ran - somed fail to greet him,

one soul should fail to know his love and might.  
 and died on earth that all might live a - bove.  
 till God shall bring his king - dom's joy - ful day.  
 through thy ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

*Refrain*

Pub - lish glad ti - dings: ti - dings of peace,

ti - dings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion and re - lease.

Words: Mary Ann Thomson (1834-1923), alt. Music: *Tidings*, James Walch (1837-1901)

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Voluntary Improvisation

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**Today, we especially pray for:**

**Those in crisis of health or circumstance:** Jeanie Buchanan, Lillie Cowan, Brenda Forbis, John Grey, Chris McLane, Andrea Misenheimer, Nancy Stanback, Mickey York, Ellery

**Those who are away at school:** Nellie Brown, Ruth Clement, Aidan DeHaas, Heather Duncan, Jason Earnhardt, Caroline Forbis, Zach Huddleston, Mary Kaufmann, Abigail Lund, Cassandra Phoenix, Hans Roemer, Ellen Simons, Boyd Temple, Isabel Temple

**Those with ongoing needs due to health, circumstance, or civic service:** Dick Brownell, Patrick Carter, David Cline, Donna Gravely, Emily Hain, David Hamaty, Betty Hedrick, Will Holladay, Blair Joyner, David Kemp, Jason Koontz, Walker Latimer, Don Lyerly, Jane Maxwell, Nan Medley, Joanne Nichols, Jim Phillips, Nik Plumley, Ian Schulte, Oliver Scott, Dirk Steenwyk, Ray Stoddard, Ruth Trollinger, Barbara Upright

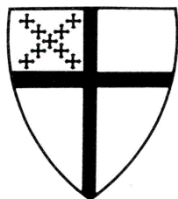
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**Candles in memory or honor of:** Franklin Way, Virginia Way, John Robert Crawford, Margaret Weant, Bill Weant

## TODAY'S SERVERS:

*Cantor:* Hunter Safrit

*Lectors:* Ann Dunn, Kathy Carter



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### PARISH PRAYER

O God, in your abundant grace you sent your Son to be the light of the world: Grant that we may come and see the difference that Christ makes in each of us as we seek to become your beloved community; and as we gather in intentional worship, may we ever be reminded of your transformative love which is the foundation of our faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.