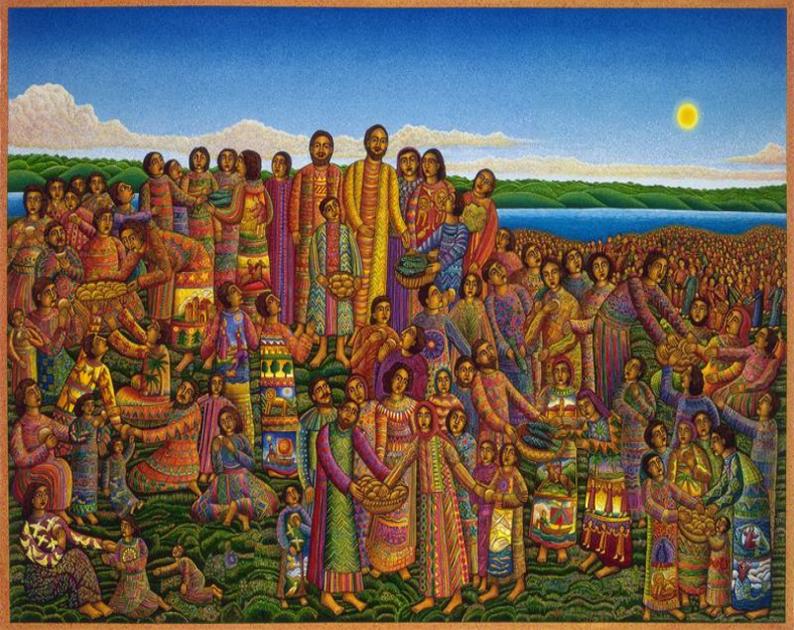




ST. LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, PALERMO

21st Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, October 17, 2021 ♦ 10:30 am



The Reverend Garfield Wu – Presider
Gladis Di Paolo – Preacher

Welcome to St. Luke's!

We are glad to be able to worship with you. Our service will look a little different than usual week as we take precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Though this time may bring challenges, we know that nothing can separate us from the love of God.

None of us comes to church by accident. No matter what joys, burdens, or problems you bring with you this day, we pray that God's grace will touch you and fill you with the hope and commitment to live your life with peace, courage, compassion, and love.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn

King of Glory, King of Peace – CP #345

1. King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease, I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me; thou didst note my working breast, thou has spared me.
2. Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee, and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee. Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.
3. Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Small it is, in this poor sort to enrol thee; even eternity's too short to extol thee.

Greeting

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: **to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden, 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.**

Glory to God

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

Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Children's Focus

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
A Reading from the Letter to of Hebrews
Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest is selected from among the people and is appointed to represent the people in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people. And no one takes this honor on himself, but he receives it when called by God, just as Aaron was.

In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him,

“You are my Son;
today I have become your Father.”

And he says in another place,
“You are a priest forever,
in the order of Melchizedek.”

During the days of Jesus’ life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

The Living God Be Praised – CP #348 (v.1-3)

1. The living God be praised!
Give honour to God's name,
who was, and is, and is to be,
for aye the same;
the one eternal God ere all that now appears,
the First, the Last, beyond all thought
God's timeless years!
2. Without a form is God,
nor can we comprehend
the measure of God's love
for us without an end.
For God is Lord of all,
creation speaks God's praise;
the human race and all that lives
God's will obeys.

The Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him.
“Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.”

“What do you want me to do for you?” he asked.

They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.”

“You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?”

“We can,” they answered.

Jesus said to them, “You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.”

When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

3. God’s spirit floweth free,
high surging where it will;
in prophet’s word God spoke
of old and speaketh still.
Established is God’s law
and changeless it shall stand,
inscribed upon the human heart
in every land.

The Sermon

By Gladis Di Paolo

The Apostle's Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

The Prayers of the People

Litany #3 (from BAS p. 112)

Celebrant: Merciful Lord, we pray for all who call themselves Christians: that we may become a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to the praise of Christ Jesus our Saviour.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: We pray for Susan Bell our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers: that they may remain faithful to their calling and rightly proclaim the word of truth.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: We pray for Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and all in authority: that your people may lead quiet and peaceable lives.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: We pray for Oakville and those who live here, the poor and the rich, the elderly and the young, men and women: that you will show your goodwill to all.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: We pray for the victims of our society and those who minister to them: that you will be their help and defense.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: We pray for those preparing for baptism, (for those recently baptized): that they may be strengthened in the faith.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: We give thanks for all the saints who have found favour in your sight from earliest times, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and those whose names are known to you alone: and we pray that we too may be counted among your faithful witnesses.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Family Cycle of Prayer:

Garfield & Aileen Wu, Derek & Kristen Yarnell, Gemma Young, Sylvia & Neil Young, Deqing Zhang & June Wu, and their families.

In the Diocese of Niagara:

Church of Our Saviour The Redeemer, Stoney Creek; the Rev. Bahman Kalantari, Rector; the Rev. Donald James Coombe, Honorary Assistant; and the people of that parish.

Let us take a moment to say the names of those we know to be in need, or allow those things are weighing heavy on our hearts this day to come before the Lord. [...]

So, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to the mercy and protection of our heavenly Father. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: **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 neighbours 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 upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Peace

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

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn

More Than We Can Ask or Imagine – CP #86

1. More than we can ask or imagine,
More than we can ever dare to dream,
We are the children of heaven's creation,
God's own beloved,
each called by name.
And we cry, Glory! Glory!
Glory to God who calls us by name!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God!
Glory we sing!
2. More than we will ever imagine,
More than we will ever understand;
We are sent to walk with compassion,

To live out God's love
by heart and by hand.
And we cry, Glory! Glory!
Glory to God who presses us on!

3. More than we can ask or imagine,
More than we could ever desire:
Out of the dust God's building a kingdom,
Like wine from the press,
Like bread from the fire.
And we cry, Glory! Glory!
Glory to God! Glory we cry!

The Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

(A Celebration of the Holy Eucharist with Spiritual Communion)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts,

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in

your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices 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.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

All: **we remember his death,**
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour

and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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.
Save us from the time of trial
but deliver us from evil,
for the Kingdom, the Power,
and the Glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All: **So may your Church be gathered from
the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Invitation to Spiritual Communion

Celebrant: Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one.

The following prayer is said by all, during this prayer the elements may be elevated, in offering to the people.

Celebrant: We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,
All: **we welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls and our strength, with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you. Amen.**

The Eucharist

A time of silence is kept to allow people to make their act of spiritual communion. Following this silence, the people physically present receive communion in one kind by taking the bread from the paten while the chalice remains covered upon the Altar. Finally, the celebrant reverently consumes the wine.

The following prayer may be used by those making spiritual communion from afar.

I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in bread and wine, and present in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community.

May you, enthroned on the altar, be now enthroned in my heart, may you, present in bread and wine, feed and renew my soul, may you, who gives yourself to us again, fill us with grace, and heavenly blessing.

Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your kingdom shall come on earth as it is heaven. Amen.

THE SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The Prayer after Communion

God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Doxology

Celebrant: Glory to God

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people, and all respond,
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recessional Hymn

Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah – CP #317

1. Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah,
from the heavens praise God's name;
praise the Lord, our great Creator;
all you angels, praise proclaim.
All you hosts, together praising,
sun and moon and stars on high;
praise the Lord, O heavens of heavens,
and the floods above the sky.

2. Let them praise the Lord their maker:
they were made at God's command,
who established them forever,
whose decree shall ever stand.
Let the earth sing hallelujah,
raging seas, you monsters all,
fire and hail and snow and vapours,
stormy winds that hear God's call.

4. All you fruitful trees and cedars,
every hill and mountain high,
creeping things and beasts and cattle,
birds that in the heavens fly,
kings of earth and all you people,
princes great, earth's judges all:
praise God's name, young men and maidens,
aged men, and children small.

The Dismissal

Let us go out in peace to proclaim the risen Christ!

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

Postlude

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY **Hebrews 7:23–28; Mark 10:46–52**

MORNING PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY

Each Wednesday at 9:30 am

Our Morning Prayer services continue at St. Luke's and online! Join us for a nourishing liturgy followed by a short Bible Study each Wednesday morning. This is a fun and friendly time of discussion and learning. No prior knowledge of the Bible is required. Come and check it out!

This Wednesday's Readings:

**Psalm 38; Lamentations 2:8-15;
1 Corinthians 15:51-58; Luke 12:39-48**

Contact: garfield@stlukepalermo.ca
or **647-878-8650** for details!

Use this Zoom Link to join the service online:
<https://zoom.us/j/8608948908>

Meeting ID: **860 894 8908**
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St. Luke's Gift Card Sale Starts This Weekend!



St. Luke's Gift Card Sale is back! Once again, you can support St. Luke's ministries and community services just by buying gift cards to the places you shop... or where your friends and family like to shop. You get the full value of your card, and a portion of the sale is donated to support our operations.

These cards are great for everyday use as well as gifts for Christmas, birthdays, teachers, coaches, babysitters, and other occasions. Have friends, family, and co-workers place an order too! Businesses that purchase from Staples or have fleets of vehicles love this Program's gas gift card option.

Please make cheques payable to **St. Luke's Anglican Church Palermo**. Order forms and payment can be dropped off in-person every Sunday at our 10:30 am worship services, completed on this webpage, or mailed to **St. Luke's Anglican Church – "Attention Janet Correia"**.

E-transfers for payment are preferred. E-transfers will be auto deposited and can be sent to treasurer@stlukepalermo.ca. If you are mailing an order form and cheque, both must be received on or before **Sunday November 21**.

Free home delivery for orders over \$300 to residents of Peel and Halton is now included! Gift cards should be available the week of December 5. We will contact purchasers to confirm details.

Visit stlukepalermo.ca/giftcardsale to order!

For questions or concerns, please contact Dean Correia at: dean@correiasecurity.ca. Thank you for your support!

Health and Safety Protocol:

- Always wear a mask when in the Church.
- Please sanitize your hands as you come into the Church, going up for communion and coming down after communion and when you are leaving the building.
- Please take your bulletin home with you.

If you have any of the following symptoms, please contact your family doctor.

Symptoms of COVID-19 can vary from person to person. Symptoms may also vary in different age groups. Some of the more commonly reported symptoms include:

- new or worsening cough
- shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- temperature equal to or over 38°C
- feeling feverish
- chills
- fatigue or weakness
- muscle or body aches
- new loss of smell or taste
- headache
- gastrointestinal symptoms (abdominal pain, diarrhea, vomiting)
- feeling very unwell

Children have been more commonly reported to have abdominal symptoms and skin changes or rashes.

In severe cases, the infection can lead to death.

Symptoms may take up to 14 days to appear after exposure to COVID-19.

Evidence indicates that the virus can be transmitted to others from someone who is infected but not showing symptoms. This includes people who:

- have not yet developed symptoms (pre-symptomatic)
- never develop symptoms (asymptomatic)

While experts know that these kinds of transmissions are happening among those in close contact or in close physical settings, it is not known to what extent. This means it is extremely important to follow the proven preventative measures.

For more information, please look online at

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html>

Diocesan Vaccination Policy

The Diocese of Niagara has enacted a policy to increase the protection and safety of their parishioners, clergy, employees, and all whom we serve by reducing the transmission of COVID-19 in our church and office buildings and other ministry spaces.

Effective September 9, 2021, all clergy, licensed lay workers, diocesan staff, liturgical leaders (musicians, readers, servers, wardens, greeters, etc.), youth ministers, those ministering to vulnerable populations, and others in ministry positions will be required to receive at least one dose of vaccine for COVID-19 by September 30, 2021, with the second dose administered no later than October 31, 2021.

Staff and ministry personnel must submit proof of vaccination to Mary Anne Grant at the Diocese of Niagara.

If you volunteer at Nourishing Neighbours or another volunteer position, please submit your proof of vaccination to ***office@stlukepalermo.ca***.

Anyone in a ministry position who is subject to legal exemption from vaccination under the Human Rights Code, must provide reasonable proof of this exemption.

**Thank you for joining us today.
We do hope that you will come again.**

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