



WELCOME TO

# ST. LUKE'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A PARISH IN THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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EASTER DAY

APRIL 5, 2026

SOLEMN HIGH MASS WITH BAPTISM

10:30 A.M.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are welcome!

Whether you are a guest or a long-time member, we are blessed by your presence today.

Children are most welcome and always celebrated as a part of our church community. Nursery care is available during worship for children 0 - 4 years old in "The Children's Space," first floor, Parish Hall building. Children's Church is offered for children 4 years old - elementary. We gather in the rear of the church and process to the Parish Hall for a lesson and activity, returning to worship at the Peace. Our trained staff and volunteers lead both of these ministries. The Parish Hall is also home to nursing and changing facilities and a comfortable, quiet space (St. Agnes room). Please ask an usher or greeter if you need assistance finding any of these locations.

Restrooms are in the hallway on the Church Street side of the building - exit through the Baptistry, turn left at the end of the ramp and then left at the sidewalk that runs alongside the church.

If you are visiting today, please complete a Guest Card (in the pew rack) and place it in the offering plate.

May the God who brought you here today bless you throughout the coming week.

The Rt. Rev'd William O. Gregg, Ph.D., *Interim Rector*

*VI Bishop of Eastern Oregon, res.*

*Assistant Bishop of North Carolina, ret.*

The Rev. Thomas Carter, *Priest Associate*

The Rev. Bonnie Duckworth, *Deacon & Coordinator for Older Adult Ministry*

Stephen Williams, *Director of Music Ministry*

Caroline Stephenson, *Parish and Family Ministry Coordinator*

Jessica Moorman, *Parish Administrator*

Daphne Safrit, *Director, The Children's Space*

Come and See  
the *difference* Christ makes



# THE WORD OF GOD

VOLUNTARY

Canzon duodecimi toni  
Suite of Dances

Giovanni Gabrieli  
André Campra

HYMN IN PROCESSION #207 Jesus Christ is risen today

Hymnal 1982

COLLECT FOR PURITY

PASCHA NOSTRUM *Sung by all.*



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;  
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -  
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through  
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in



sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -  
him we die to sin and live to God. Al -  
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -



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

COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant:* O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT *Please be seated.*

Jeremiah 31:1-6

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness;  
when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria;

the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim:

“Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God.”

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

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

**ANTIPHON**

Psalm 118: 24  
Organ:                      Everyone:

On this day                      the Lord has act - ed,  
we will re-joyce and be glad in it.

*Choir:* The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous: *Antiphon.*

*Choir:* “The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! The right hand of the Lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. *Antiphon.*

*Choir:* The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes. *Antiphon.*

**THE EPISTLE****Colossians 3:1-4**

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

*Lector:*            The Word of the Lord.

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

**GRADUAL HYMN #182**

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.

*Please stand.**Hymnal 1982***THE HOLY GOSPEL****Matthew 28:1-10**

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

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

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

*Deacon:*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE ALLELUIA RESPONSE

Celtic Alleluia

Sung by all.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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THE SERMON

Please be seated.

The Rt. Rev'd William O. Gregg, Ph.D.

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HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

BCP 301

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP 304

Prayers for the Candidates

BCP 305

Procession to the Font, Hymn #296

Thanksgiving over the Water

BCP 307

The Baptism

Post Baptismal Collect

Chrismation

The Welcome of the Newly Baptized

Procession from the Font with Asperges

Alleluia Refrain, Hymn #711

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**      *Please kneel or remain standing.*

Form III, BCP 387

Deacon: Let us pray for the Church and the world:  
Intercessor: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
People: **That we all may be one.**  
Intercessor: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**  
Intercessor: We pray for our global companion, the Bishop James Hannington Memorial Cathedral in Mumias, Kenya, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**  
Intercessor: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**  
Intercessor: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**  
Intercessor: Have compassion on Reg, Danny, Charlie, Molly, Barbara, Tricia, Debbie and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**  
Intercessor: Give to the departed eternal rest.  
People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**  
Intercessor: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**  
Intercessor: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.  
*[Silence, after which the Celebrant adds a concluding collect.]*

**A PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF OUR NEXT RECTOR**

Gracious and loving God, who calls faithful leaders and has blessed St. Luke's with gifts of love, compassion, diversity, fellowship, inspiring liturgy, and historic spaces within which to worship: Send your Holy Spirit to guide us in our discernment as we seek the one you are calling to be our next rector. Continue to form us through intentional worship, empower our efforts in becoming your beloved community, and keep your abundant grace always before us. In the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

**PRAYER ATTRIBUTED TO ST. FRANCIS**

BCP 833

**THE PEACE**      *Please stand.*

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

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS**      *Prayed by all.*

*Those celebrating a birthday or wedding anniversary in the previous or coming week are invited to come forward for a prayer. It is customary, but not at all required, to put an offering in the silver vessel when coming forward. Some choose to put an amount symbolic of the number of years being celebrated.*

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.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

Guest Information cards (found in the pew racks)  
may be placed in the offering plate or given to the clergy after church today.

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Gifts to support the ministries of St. Luke's may be placed in the Offering Plate or given online at [www.SLS.church/give](http://www.SLS.church/give)

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Light's Glittering Morn

Horatio Parker

Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky; Heaven thunders forth its victor cry;  
The glad earth shouts her triumph high And groaning hell makes wild reply  
While he, the king, the mighty king Despoiling death of all its sting  
And trampling down the powers of might Brings forth his ransomed saints to light  
That Eastertide with joy was bright The sun shone out with fairer light  
When to their longing eyes restored The apostles saw their risen Lord:  
He bade them see his hands, his side Where yet the glorious wounds abide;  
These tokens true which made it plain Their Lord indeed was risen again  
O Jesu, king of gentleness Do thou thyself our hearts possess  
That we may give thee all our days The tribute of our grateful praise  
O Lord of all with us abide In this our joyful Eastertide  
From every weapon death can wield Thine own redeemed forever shield  
The strife is o'er, the battle done The victory of life is won  
The song of triumph has begun: Alleluia. All praise be thine, O risen Lord  
From death to endless life restored; All praise to God, the Father be  
And Holy Ghost eternally. Alleluia! Amen.

Words: Unknown author, possibly 4th Century (Aurora lucis rutilat).  
Translated from Latin to English by John M. Neal, 1851.

Mark Stephenson, soloist

## THE DOXOLOGY Hymn 400, vs 7

Please stand, as able. Sung by all.

Hymnal 1982

Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor-ship him in hum-ble-  
ness, O - praise him, Al - le - lu ia! Praise God the  
Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:  
O - praise him, O - praise him, Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 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 him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing...who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

## SANCTUS S-125 *Sung by all.*

*Hymnal 1982*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The Celebrant continues...* Therefore according to his command, O Father:

*Celebrant and People:* **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues...* And we offer our sacrifice...

*People:* **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Prayed by all.*

BCP 364

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, S-155

*Sung by all.*

*Hymnal 1982*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
 sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*All baptized persons are most welcome to receive Communion with us, regardless of the tradition in which you were baptized. If you do not wish to receive Communion or if you are not baptized, you are invited to come to the Altar for a blessing. To indicate that you want a blessing, place your arms across your heart.*

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|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| MUSIC AT COMMUNION        | Hymn #178   | Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks | <i>Hymnal 1982</i> |
|                           | Hymn #192   | This joyful Eastertide          | <i>Hymnal 1982</i> |
|                           | Hymn #204   | Now the green blade rises       | <i>Hymnal 1982</i> |
| The St. Luke's Choristers | Let all the world in every corner sing                        |                                 | Martin Shaw        |
|                           | Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King!      |                                 |                    |
|                           | The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly;     |                                 |                    |
|                           | The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.         |                                 |                    |
|                           | Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King!      |                                 |                    |
|                           | Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King!      |                                 |                    |
|                           | The Church with psalms must shout, No door can keep them out; |                                 |                    |
|                           | But above all the heart Must bear the longest part.           |                                 |                    |
|                           | Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King!      |                                 |                    |
|                           | (Words, George Herbert)                                       |                                 |                    |

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand or kneel.* *BCP 365*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

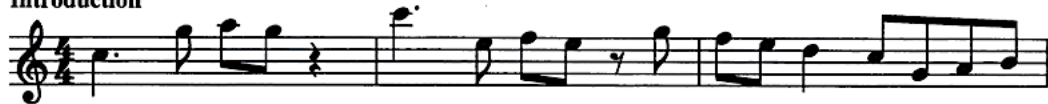
*All:* Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

THE BLESSING

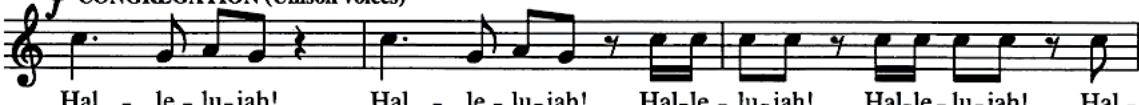
HYMN IN PROCESSION *Sung by all.*

Hallelujah Chorus, from *Messiah* composed by G.F. Handel; arranged by Hal Hopson

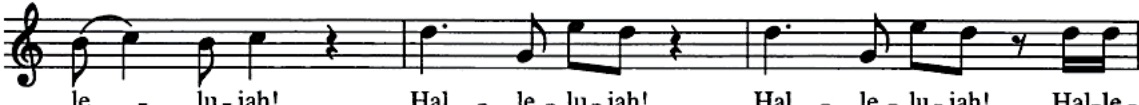
**Introduction**



**CONGREGATION (Unison voices)**



Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal-le - lu-jah! Hal-le - lu-jah! Hal -



le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal-le -



lu-jah! Hal-le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! for the Lord God Om-nip - o - tent



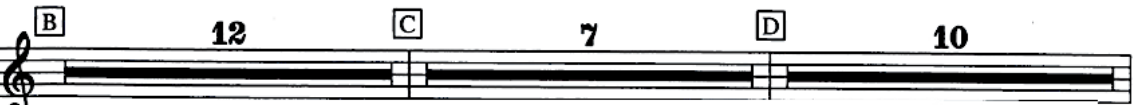
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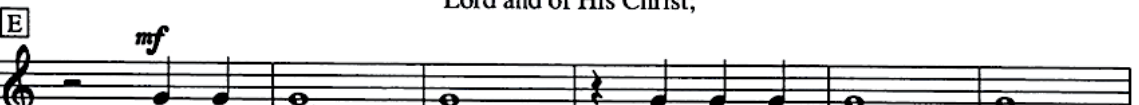
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lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah!



For the Lord God Omnipotent The Kingdom of this world is and He shall reign for ever  
reigneth. Hallelujah. become the kingdom of our and ever.  
Lord and of His Christ;



King of Kings, \_\_\_\_\_ and Lord of Lords, \_\_\_\_\_

King of Kings, and Lord of Lords,

King of Kings, and Lord of Lords,

and Lord of Lords, and He shall reign for ever and ever, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah,

King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, and He shall reign for ever and ever, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah!

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon:* Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**VOLUNTARY**

Intrada festiva

Hans-André Stamm

**Brass Quintet Sponsors:** Chip and Kathy Carter, Ann and Alexander Dandison, Mary Ann McCubbin, Jane and Denny White

*Children are invited to gather in the Parish Hall for an Easter Egg Hunt directly following the liturgy.*

<b>Servers</b>	<i>Today</i>	<i>Next Sunday</i>
<i>Ushers</i>	Bob Setzer, Andy Lund, Erik Lipscomb, Pennie Martin	Brian Whitson, Tyler Speir, Sandy Goodman, Will Goodnight
<i>Greeter</i>	Pati Carter	Pennie Martin
<i>Emergency Response</i>	Cris Leckonby	Stephen Collins
<i>Lectors</i>	Dick Martin, Graham Corriher	Cris Leckonby, Malachi Whitson
<i>Chalicians</i>	Bain Jones, Penny Roemer	Pati Carter, Dean Cunningham
<i>Intercessor</i>	Pennie Martin	Mary Ann McCubbin
<i>Verger</i>	Ray Swann	Graham Corriher
<i>Acolytes</i>	Nick Clement, Anna Chamberlain, Joaquim Chamberlain, Marlee Speir, Constantine Cook	Stephanie Collins, Ruby Corriher, Salem Griffith, Sawyer Jacobson
<i>Choir</i>	St. Luke's Choir, St. Luke's Choristers	St. Luke's Choir
<i>Nursery</i>	Caroline Stephenson, Cameo Chamberlain	Tyler Breese
<i>Children's Church</i>	Not held today	Caroline Stephenson, Eliza Breese
<i>Wednesday Server</i>	Davis Cooke	
<i>Vestry Deposit</i>	Ray Swann, Kathy Carter	Mary Ann McCubbin, Andrew Jacobson
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Katie Setzer, Meredith Ellis, Laura Greene	Pati Carter, Terry Courtemanche, Trudy Thompson

## EASTER MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

### Given by:

Mike & Lynn Mills  
Thadd L. Stone  
Denny White  
Brian, Michelle,  
& Malachi Whitson

### In Honor of:

Maryann Graham  
Jean L. Ray  
Jane White  
  
Deacon Bonnie, Dr. Dora Mbuwayesango

### Given by:

Terry Courtemanche  
  
Fle, David, &  
Drew Griffith  
Marilyn King &  
Sturges Bryan  
Gene Krueger  
Pennie & Dick Martin  
Mary Ann McCubbin  
Lynn & Mike Mills  
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The Rocca Family  
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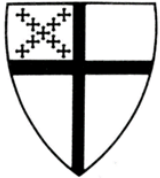
### In Memory of:

Karl & Katherine Stilwell, Lee Ann, John & Ryan Curran, Dwayne Courtemanche,  
William & Geneva McGrotty, Donald & Luella Markwell, Llyod & Vera Stilwell  
  
Dr. Bruce F. Griffith  
  
Dr. Rowland R. King, Sue Sample Bryan  
Kathleen R. Dunn, Abigail Kathleen Burroughs  
Mr. & Mrs. James G. Beaver, Rev. & Mrs. Richard S. Martin, P. Douglass Martin  
Lee & Barbara McCubbin  
Mel Palmer, Pat Palmer, Ken Mills  
Ruth P. Trollinger, Edward D. Trollinger Jr., Charlotte Walker  
Bob McMillan, Betty & Tommy Hedrick, Jeanie Buchanan  
Bill Rocca, Christopher Rocca  
Barry Whenal  
  
Jeanne York, Gary & Fleta Whitson  
Helen & James C. Wood, Irene L. Prothro-King, Cleveland Shinn, Kimberly Kelsey,  
Elizabeth Duncan Koontz

**Eucharistic Candles given by:** Holly Cormack in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Cormack Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Cormack Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Taylor

**Office Candles given by:** Holly Cormack in memory of Godparents of Holly Cormack, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Gorrell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Cormack, Maribelle Cormack

**Sanctuary Lamp given by:** Reg Boland in honor of people who are kind; Dr. Richard Brownell in memory of Lorraine Brownell and in honor of Elizabeth Brownell Duncan and Heather Elizabeth Duncan



## St. Luke's Episcopal Church

*Established 1753*

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2026: Kathy Carter, Tyler Ellis (Jr. Warden), Andrew Jacobson, Jane White (Sr. Warden)

2027: Penny Roemer, Ray Swann, Brian Whitson, Sarah Wooten

2028: David Cline, John Cowan, Mary Ann McCubbin, Luanne Short

Parish Officers: Davis Cooke (Secretary); Will Goodnight (Treasurer); Chip Short (Chancellor)

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