repentant; denying that the Church, our true Mother, weeping over the spiritual death of the children born to her, should be consoled by the hope that life would again be restored to them. And fittingly does the Evangelist remind us, that the Lord was first moved with mercy towards the mother, so that He raises her son to life; that in the one case, He might give us an example of compassion to imitate; in the other, build up our faith in His wondrous power.

And he came near and touched the bier. And they that carried it stood still.

The bier on which the dead man was carried signifies the evilly unconcerned conscience of the hopeless sinner. They who bear him to the grave, are the unclean desires which drag a man down to destruction, or the poisonous allurements of flattering associates, who add to his sins, while they enjoy his favours: despising those who sin, they bury them as under a mound of earth. Of these was it said in another place: Let the dead bury their dead (Mt. viii. 22): for the dead do indeed bury their dead, when sinners caress others like themselves with evil favours, overwhelming them by the weight of evil flattery, so that they cannot hope to rise again.

And they that carried it stood still, when the Lord touched the bier; as the conscience, when touched by the fear of heavenly judgement, keeping back the pressing throng of carnal delights, and the multitude that wickedly praise it, returns to itself, and answers in haste the Voice of the Saviour calling it back to life. So fittingly there follows: And he said: Young man, I say to thee, arise. And he that was dead sat up and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. He sits up who was dead, when the sinner returns to life through compunction of soul. He begins to speak, who shows signs of returning life to all who had encouraged him to sin. He is given back to his mother who, by the decision of the bishop, is returned to the communion of the Church.

And there came a fear upon them all; and they glorified God, saying: A great prophet is risen up among us. The more hopeless the death of a soul recalled to life, the more souls are reformed by its example. Consider the prophet David. Think of Peter the Apostle. The more exalted they were, the greater their fall. And the greater their fall, the greater their joy and gratitude for the mercy that raised them again. And the more loving the Lord's mercy appears in them, the more secure the hope of salvation for all who repent; so that rightly do all present declare, that God hath visited his people. He has visited them not once only, through the Incarnation of His Word; He visits them at all times, by sending His Word into our hearts, to awaken us to life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.



XVI SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

19 SEPTEMBER 2021
10:30 AM SUNG MATTINS
11:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION



The Rev. Fr. Daniel S. Trout, Rector Mr. C. Lance Davis, CAGO, Music Minister The Most Rev. Mark Haverland, Ph.D., Bishop Ordinary

Joseph McRoy, Senior Warden; Barbara Z., Junior Warden; Rebecca Blair, Treasurer; Roberta Hannibal, Secretary; Beverly Roberts, Editor; Lucy Whitehorne, Barbara Cope, Vestrymen

Welcome to St. Luke Church, especially if you are a newcomer or visitor. Children of all ages are fully welcome in each liturgy. If you are a visitor, please sign the Guest Book located in the Narthex and fill out a Visitor Card. Newcomer packets are also available upon request. Please refer to the *Book of Common Prayer* (beginning on pg. 67) and the *Hymnal* throughout the Mass. We ask that you please keep prayerful silence in the church both before and after the liturgy. Silence is golden, but especially in church!

SUNG MATTINS

¶ The following page numbers relate to "The Daily Office Noted" booklet, unless otherwise stated. The liturgy begins on page 2 of the booklet. Please observe all postures as noted in that booklet.

¶ Please stand as the bells are rung.

SUNG MASS

¶ Please stand as the bells are rung.

Processional Hymn Board

¶ Please kneel during the Introit.

Introit

Be merciful unto me O Lord, for I will call daily upon thee: for thou, O Lord, art good and gracious, and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee. Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor and in misery. *Gloria Patri*.

Collect for Purity	BCP 67
Summary of the Law	BCP 69
Kyrie	Hymnal #710
Collect(s) of the Day	BCP 212

¶ Please be seated.

THE GATES OF DEATH THE VENERABLE BEDE

And there went with him his disciples and a great multitude. And when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was carried out, the only son of his mother.

This dead man, carried forth from the gates of the city, in the sight of many, is a figure of man struck senseless by the fatal wound of his sins. No longer concealing this death of the soul within the chamber of his heart, he brings it forth by the evidence of word and deed to the knowledge of all men; as though bearing it through the gates of his city. And rightly is he spoken of as the only son of his mother: for though assembled together from many persons one is the perfect, immaculate virgin, Mother Church, and each one of the faithful rightly professes himself a son of the Church. For whoever is called, and initiated in the faith, he is a son. When she teaches others, she is a mother. Was he not moved with a mother's love towards her little ones, who said: My little children, of whom I am in labour again, until Christ be formed in you (Gal. iv. 19)?

The gate of the city through which the dead man was carried out is, I think, any one of the bodily senses. For he who sows discord among brethren (Prov. vi. 19), and he who has spoken iniquity on high (Ps. lxxii. 8), is carried out from the gate of his mouth. And he who looks on a woman, to lust after her (Mt. v. 28) bears the tokens of his death through the gate of his eyes. He who listens to evil tales, to licentious songs, to calumny or detraction, freely opens his ears and makes them the gate of death of his soul. And whoever will not guard his other senses, leaves open a way for death to enter.

Lord Jesus, I beseech Thee, make all the gates of my city, gates of justice, that going in to them, I may give praise to Thy name (Ps. cxvii. 19), and praise to Thy majesty; that visiting it often with Thy heavenly ministers, Thou may meet no evil odour of a dead body carried forth, but that salvation shall possess its walls, and praise its gates (Is. lx. 18).

And she was a widow; and a great multitude of the city was with her.

Every soul which remembers that it has been redeemed by the death of her Lord and Spouse confesses that the Church is a widow. By the divine will a great multitude went with Jesus, and a great multitude was with her, so that at the appearance of this wonder there might be many witnesses; many who would glorify God.

Whom when the Lord had seen, being moved with mercy towards her, he said to her: Weep not. Do not, He says, weep for him as dead whom in a moment you will see rise again living. Here, mystically, the teaching of Novatian is confuted, who in pride gloried in his own freedom from sin, and sought to make empty the purification from sin of the humbly

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACC Provincial Synod

Please pray for Fr. Trout and Anita as they join with clergy and lay delegates from around the world for the ACC Provincial Synod in Athens this week (September 22nd - 24th). Reminder: there will be no Thursday 11:30 a.m. mass while Father is out of town.

St. Anne's Guild Meeting

Next Sunday, after coffee hour following the 11:00 a.m. Sung Mass for all ladies of the parish. Everyone is invited to attend to discuss women's ministry.

Altar Server Meeting on Saturday

All current (or interested) altar servers are invited to join Lance Davis this Saturday, September 25th for a training session at 10:00 a.m. for all lay minister and acolyte duties. Training should be concluded by 12 Noon. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

St. Michael's Day "Blue Mass" for Law Enforcement

St. Luke has been approved to host our second annual "Blue Mass" to honor law enforcement on Michaelmas, September 29th at 8:30 a.m. Please sign up with Mrs. Jennifer McRoy if you would like to contribute to the breakfast that morning.

UPCOMING SERVICE & STUDY SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, September 21: ST. MATTHEW. **Sung Mattins** and breakfast at 8:30 AM.
- Wednesday, September 22: **Evensong** at 6:30 PM; followed by Supper & Study.
- Thursday, September 23: No Service.
- Saturday, September 25: Altar Server Training at 10:00 AM.
- Sunday, September 26: TRINITY XVII. Low Mass at 9:00 AM. Sung Mattins at 10:30 AM. Sung Mass at 11:00 AM

PRAYER LIST

Jim, Sam, Laura, Juliet & child, Levine, Marti, Mac, Beverly, Julia, Lynn, Benita, Leslie, William, Ernie, Ruth, Kristi, James, Luther family, Amy, Lamar, Penny, Hope, Marsha, Stephanie, Becky, Norah, Kevin, Elizabeth, Michael, Robin, Ronnie, Michi, Steven, Bryan, Jacquie, Lecia, Diann, Donna, David, Jonathan, Stephen, Kathie, Alex, Carol, Nancy, Jeremy, Marie, Richard, Rich, Tommy, Grace, Naysel, Althea, Jeannine, Beth, Judy, Craig, Joe, Ricie, Mark, Chuck RIP: Susan

The Epistle BCP 212

¶ Please stand for the Gradual and Hymn.

Gradual & Alleluia

The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord, and all the kings of the earth thy majesty. When the Lord shall build up Sion: and when his glory shall appear.



O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvelous things. ALLELUIA.

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Gospel Hymn The Gospel Nicene Creed Hymn Board BCP 212 BCP 71

¶ The Creed will be monotoned together.

Sermon

¶ Please stand for the Offertory Sentence and Hymn.

Offertory Sentence

Make haste, O Lord, to help me: let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul, to destroy it: make haste, O Lord, to help me.

Offertory Hymn Presentation of Alms Hymn Board Hymnal #139

Orate Fratres

V. Pray, brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

R. May the Lord receive the sacrifice at thy hands for the praise and glory of his name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.

¶ Please kneel.

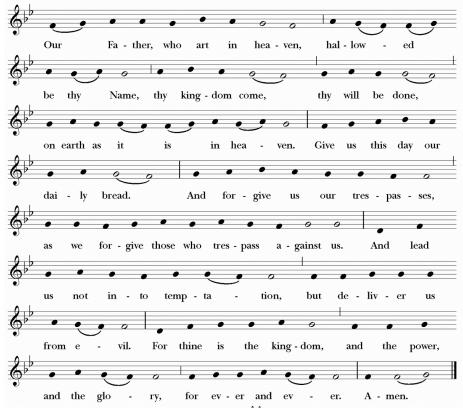
Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church General Confession & Comfortable Words BCP 74 BCP 75

Sursum Corda and Preface Sanctus et Benedictus The Canon of the Mass Hymnal #734 Hymnal #796 BCP 80

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal #722

¶ The Priest intones the words "Our Father," and we join at "who art in heaven".



The Pax Domini

Prayer of Humble Access

Agnus Dei

BCP 82 Hymnal #712

Ecce Agnus Dei

. Behold the Lamb of God. Behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. (Said thrice)

The Holy Communion

¶ Any baptized Christian who is a regular communicant in the Anglican, Orthodox, or Roman Catholic traditions is invited to receive the Blessed Sacrament. If you are unable or do not wish to receive the Holy Communion, you may approach with your arms crossed over your chest, and the priest will extend you a blessing. Whilst in your pew, please remain in quiet prayer.

Communion Sentence

O Lord, I will make mention of thy righteousness only: thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now: forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am grey-headed.

¶ Please kneel for the hymn.

Communion Hymn
Communion Thanksgiving

Hymn Board BCP 83

¶ Please stand.

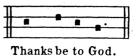
Gloria in excelsis

Hymnal #713

¶ Please kneel.

Post-Communion Collect Dismissal and Blessing

BCP 84



¶ Please stand for the final Hymn.

Hymn at the Retiring Procession

Hymn Board

¶ During the Organ Voluntary, you may kneel or be seated. We ask that you remain in quiet prayer, and suggest that you make your Communion Thanksgiving at this time. Suitable devotions may be found on pg. 100ff of St. Augustine's Prayer Book, and at the bottom of this page. Please wait until arriving in the Parish Hall before carrying on conversations with others. Thank you for your assistance as we strive to make St. Luke's a place of prayer, reverence, and peace.

Announcements, Parish Notices, and Special Occasion Blessings

Thanksgiving Prayer for the Holy Communion

RENDER thanks unto thee, most gracious Lord Jesus Christ, true Light, the salvation of believers, the solace and hope of all the sorrowful, the joy of the Angels; that thou hast vouchsafed this day to feed my thy servant, a miserable and great sinner, with thy most sacred Body and Blood. Wherefore I, most miserable and tainted with numberless faults, with tearful prayers do implore thy most tender mercy and great clemency, that this most sweet refreshment, this high and incomprehensible Communion, may not be to me for Judgement of my soul; but may profit me as a remedy for driving out all the deceit and wickedness of the devil's guile, so that no iniquity of his may dominate me in my heart, body, soul, and senses; but that thy mercy may bring me to the heavenly feast of the Angels, where thou art true blessedness, glorious light, and everlasting joy. Amen.