The Dormition of the Mother of God is a confirmation of the resurrection of Christ and a source of hope for the faithful in the promise of their personal resurrection, their personal Easter. The death of Mary and her translation into heaven confirms the divine promise of Christ to His faithful children that they will enjoy life eternal in everlasting communion with God. What a paradox! While this Feast is called the "Falling Asleep of the Theotokos," it is in reality a celebration of her life and victory over death. It is a celebration of her "Passover" from this life into life eternal. It is a celebration of our own resurrection in Christ. (adapted from an article by Fr. Ayman Kfouf)

Since the earliest centuries, Christians of both East and West have blessed herbs and fruits on the Feast of the Assumption in the belief that these sacramentals provide protection against harm and danger. Eve foolishly used herbs (fig leaves) to hide and aggravate her sin, thereby bringing about a disorder of body and soul. By contrast, Mary, the new Eve -- whose soul and body are untouched by sin or the decay of death (as we celebrate today) -- foreshadows a healing of our corporeal frailties, a healing represented by herbs. Likewise, fruits are an appropriate symbol for the new Eve because she never ate of the forbidden fruit, but brought forth only the fruit of good works; and, most importantly, the Fruit of her womb, Jesus Christ. The fruit blessed today thus betokens the fruit of a holy and generous life which we are called to enjoy from our Lord through the patronage of His holy Mother.

And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail. And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne. And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days ... And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child. And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. Rev. 11:19-12:6, 13-14



THE DORMITION AND ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

15 August 2021 10:30 AM Sung Mattins 11:00 AM Holy Communion



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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.

Opening Sentence	Rev. 12:14
Opening Versicles	DON 2
Invitatory & Venite, <i>Tone 1</i>	DON 3
Psalm 45, Tone 1	BCP 396
Lesson	Songs 2:1-4
Benedictus	DON 15
Creed & Preces	DON 17
Collects & Closing Versicles	DON 21

SUNG MASS

¶ Please stand as the bells are rung.

Ancient Gælic Litany of our Lady



☼ O God the Father of Heaven:



- V. O Holy Trinity, one God:

 R. Have mercy upon us.



The Dormition and Assumption of Our Lady

The Dormition and Assumption of the Mother of God – Marymass — is one of the great feasts of the Church, celebrated on August 15th, and enriched with a full octave, much like Easter and Whitsunday. The word "Dormition" is a derivative of the Latin word dormitio, which means "falling asleep," and the word "Assumption" comes from assumptio, meaning "to be caught up". The Feast of the Dormition and Assumption of Blessed Mary is the commemoration of the falling asleep, burial, resurrection, and bodily translation of the Mother of God. One of the oldest celebrations in the Church, the roots of the feast go back to Jerusalem, where the apostles and the Christians of Jerusalem honoured and kept alive the memory of the falling asleep of St. Mary. Consequently, her empty tomb in Gethsemane became a destination for pilgrims from Jerusalem and the surrounding neighborhoods. The main source of the narrative of the feast of the Dormition is based on the oral and written Tradition of the church, which include: the writings of Saints Dionysios the Areopagite (1st century), John the Damascene (7th century) and Andrew of Crete (8th century); the hymnography and iconography of the Church, in addition to an apocryphal narrative of the feast by Saint John the Theologian (1st century, The Protoevangelium).

According to the Church's Tradition, the Virgin Mary lived after Pentecost in the house of the Apostle John in Jerusalem. As the Mother of the Lord, she became the source of encouragement and help for the Apostles and all Christians. Three days before her death, the Archangel Gabriel appeared to the Virgin Mary and revealed to her the date of her departure into eternal life. Immediately, she returned to her home and prepared herself for this event through fasting and prayer. On the day of her repose, the twelve Apostles, who had been scattered throughout the world, returned to be at her side. Unfortunately, St. Thomas was unable to arrive in time. While the Apostles were singing hymns in honour of the Mother of God, they saw a vision showing Christ, accompanied by Angels and Saints, coming to escort the soul of His Most Holy Mother into heaven. With songs of praises, the Apostles carried the body of his most pure Mother to the grave in Gethsemane to be buried near her parents. At Gethsemane, the disciples gathered and remained around her tomb and kept a vigil for three days. On the third day, the Apostle Thomas arrived and asked to view for the last time the Most Holy Mother of God. When the Apostles opened Mary's grave, her body was not there. The Apostles realized then that her soul was taken into heaven along with her body, which was preserved free from corruption.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Mass Ordinary Setting

Throughout Trinitytide, we will learn a new musical setting of the Mass Ordinary: The Fifth Communion Service, #747 in The Hymnal. The composer, Leo Sowerby, was a prolific 20th century American Anglican composer, who was often called "the Dean of American church music".

St. Anne's Guild Meeting

Next Sunday August 22nd, following the 11:00 am Sung Mass after coffee hour in the parish hall for all of the ladies in the parish.

Men's Fellowship Group

Attention, gentlemen of the parish! St. Luke is preparing to launch a new monthly men's meetup group to encourage fellowship, religious discussion, and prayer. Please inquire with Father or see the signup sheet in the parish hall if interested. First meeting date/location (likely early September) TBA. Thank you for your consideration!

Parish Latin Class

Continues this Wednesday, August 18th, offering the chance to learn the basics of ecclesiastical Latin. Class begins after Evensong, and can be viewed via the livestream on Facebook.

Jazz Vespers Concert

Everyone is invited to attend the next performance of our "Jazz Vespers" concert series on Sunday, June 13th at 3:00 p.m. in the parish backyard. This FREE concert will feature local artists Ed Fuqua Band and Wycliffe Gordon. Please plan to bring your own seating, and to reserve your spot beforehand by visiting gardencityjazz.com.

UPCOMING SERVICE & STUDY SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, August 17: Sung Mattins and breakfast at 8:30 AM
- Wednesday, August 18: Evensong at 6:30 PM; followed by Supper and Study
- Thursday, August 19: Low Mass at 11:30 AM.
- Sunday, August 22: TRINITY XII. Low Mass at 9:00 AM. Sung Mattins at 10:30 AM. Sung Mass at 11:00 AM

PRAYER LIST

Jim, Sam, Laura, Levine, Beverly, Tom, Julia, Lynn, Benita, Leslie, William, Ernie, Ruth, Kristi, James, Luther family, Karen, Amy, Lamar, Wanda, Penny, Hope, Marsha, Stephanie, Wendy, Becky, Norah, Kevin, Elizabeth, Emma, Michael, Robin, Ronnie, Michi, Steven, Todd, Bryan, Jacquie, Lecia, Diann, Donna, David, Jonathan, Stephen, Kathie, Alex, Carol, Nancy, Jeremy, Marie, Richard, Rich, Tommy, Grace, Naysel, Althea, Kathleen, Yates family, RIP: Phyllis, RIP: Charlotte

- O Mary, greatest of Marys, O Greatest of women, O Oueen of the Angels, O Mistress of the Heavens, O Woman full and replete with the grace of the Holy Ghost, O Blessed and most-blessed. O Mother of Eternal Glory, O Mother of the Heavenly and earthly Church. O Mother of love and forgiveness, O Mother of the Golden Heights, O Honor of the sky. O Sign of tranquility, O Gate of Heaven, O Golden Vessel, O Couch of Love and Mercy, O Temple of Divinity, O Beauty of virgins, O Mistress of the nations, O Fountain of gardens, O Cleansing of sins, O Purifying of souls, O Mother of orphans, O Breast of infants. O Solace of the wretched, O Star of the Sea, O Handmaid of God
- O Destruction of Eve's disgrace, O Regeneration of life, O Beauty of women, O Chief of virgins, O Enclosed Garden, O Closely-locked Fountain, O Mother of God. O Perpetual Virgin, O Holy Virgin, O Prudent Virgin, O Serene Virgin, O Chaste Virgin, O Temple of the Living God, O Royal Throne of the Eternal King, O Sanctuary of the Holy Ghost, O Virgin of the Root of Jesse, O Cedar of Mount Lebanon, O Cypress of Mount Sion, O Crimson Rose of the Land of Jacob, O Blooming like the palm tree, O Fruitful like the olive tree. O Glorious Son-bearer, O Light of Nazareth, O Glory of Jerusalem, O Beauty of the world, O Noblest-Born of the Christian flock. O Queen of Life, O Ladder of Heaven, O Lady of Walsingham,

O Resplendent as the sun,

Station at the Shrine

O Mother of Christ,

O Resort of the Lord,

O Graceful as the dove,

O Serene as the moon,

V. The holy Mother of God is exalted.R. Above choirs of angels to the heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray. Assist us, O Lord, on the way towards everlasting life, by this solemn feast-day whereon we do call to mind how the holy Mother of God underwent temporal death; and how, nevertheless, death might not bind in bonds her who bare Life in the flesh: thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing of Herbs

- Our help ★ is in the Name of the Lord.
 - R. Who hath made heaven and earth.
- - R. And our land shall give her increase.
- W. He shall bring food out of the earth.R. And wine that maketh glad the heart of man.
- V. Oil to make him a cheerful countenance.
 - R. And bread to strengthen man's heart.
- \(\) The Lord be with you.
 - R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. O God, who on this day hast raised up to heavenly heights the rod of Jesse, the Mother of thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, that through her prayers and patronage thou mightest communicate to our mortal nature the Fruit of her womb, thy same Son; we humbly implore thee, that by His power, and by the glorious patronage of His Mother, thou wouldst pour forth the abundance of thy blessing Hupon us and upon these bundles of new fruits and herbs: grant that they may give to men, cattle, flocks, and beasts of burden a remedy against sickness, pestilence, sores, curses, spells, the poison of serpents, and bites of other venomous animals; may they bring protection against the devil's illusions, deceptions, and cunnings, wherever they are kept or carried; and through the merits of the Blessed Virgin Mary whose Assumption we celebrate, may we likewise, laden with sheaves of good works, deserve to be lifted up unto heaven; through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

May the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, ★ and Holy Ghost come upon these creatures, and remain for all time. Amen.

¶ Please kneel during the Introit.

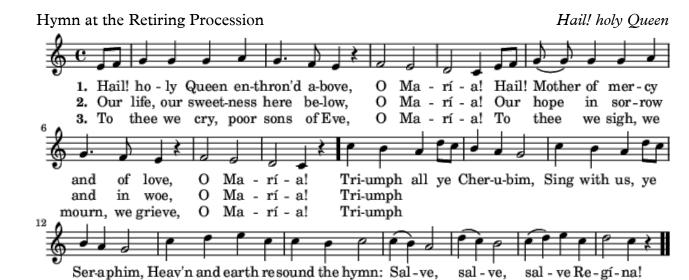
Introit

Rejoice we all in the Lord, keeping holy-day in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary: in whose Assumption the Angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God. My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the king. *Gloria Patri*.

Collect for Purity
Summary of the Law
BCP 69
Kyrie
Hymnal #747
Collect(s) of the Day
Collect for 11 Trinity
BCP 204

¶ Please be seated.

The Epistle Ecclus. 24:7



4. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate,
O Maria!
Tow'rds us thine eyes compassionate,
O Maria!
Triumph, etc.

¶ 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

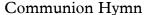
RENDER thanks unto thee, most gracious Lord Jesus Christ, true Light, the salvation of believers, the solace and hope of all the sorrowful, the joy of the Angels; that thou hast vouchsafed this day to feed my thy servant, a miserable and great sinner, with thy most sacred Body and Blood. Wherefore I, 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.

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

Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall never be taken away from her.

¶ Please kneel for the hymn.



Let Cherubim and Seraphim upraise 1. Let Cher-u - bim and Ser-a-phim up - raise their blissful songs in ho-ly Mary's praise! Thrones, Domin - a-tions, Vir-tues, Princedoms, Powers, in hymns ex - alt thine ho-ly Queen, and ours!

- 2. Let Angels and Archangels all unite In praise of her who bore the Light of Light. Let Patriarchs the growing chorus swell, In praise of her whose Son slew death and hell.
 - 3. Ye Prophets, praise the Woman long foretold; Now cloth'd with sun and crown'd with stars, behold! Ye Twelve Apostles, spread her praise abroad, The Daughter, Mother, and the Spouse of God.

4. Ye Martyrs, who for Jesus shed thy blood, Praise her who weeping stood beside the Rood, Confessors meek, her greater share acclaim In Iesus' glory, as in Jesus' shame.

5. Ye Virgin Choirs, in sweetest measure sing the Ever-Virgin Mother of our King; All holy men and women pure of heart, In Mary's praise rejoice to take thy part.

Communion Thanksgiving

BCP 83

¶ Please stand.

Gloria in excelsis (Scottish chant)

Hymnal #739

¶ Please kneel.

Post-Communion Collect Dismissal and Blessing

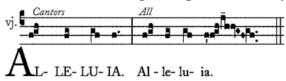
BCP 84

¶ Please stand for the final Hymn.

¶ Please stand for the Gradual and Hymn.

Gradual & Alleluia

Because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness: and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things. Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear: so shall the king have pleasure in thy beauty.



Mary is taken up into heaven: the company of the angels is joyful. ALLELUIA.

Gospel Hymn

As when the dawn's increasing light



- 1 As when the dawn's increasing light Ascends, and fills the heav'nly height, So Mary, brilliant as the sun, Fair as the moon, her course doth run.
- 2 So that blest Queen, whom earth must own, Attains on high her glorious throne, Because the Son she bare on earth On high reigned ere the day-star's birth.
- 3 A Woman thus o'er Angel-bands, Yea, o'er Archangels, queen-like stands; The Saints in gifts of grace abound, Yet more than all in her are found.
- 4 The Son she nourished at her breast, And laid in manger-bed to rest, As King of all she now may see Throned in the Father's Majesty.

5 All honour, laud, and glory be, O Jesu, Virgin-born to Thee; All glory, as is ever meet, To Father, and to Paraclete. Amen. The Gospel
Nicene Creed

Luke 10:38
BCP 71

¶ The Creed will be monotoned together.

Sermon

¶ Please stand for the Offertory Sentence and Hymn.

Offertory Sentence

Mary is taken up into heaven: the Angels rejoice and glorify the Lord. Alleluia.

Offertory Hymn



- 1. Daily, daily sing to Mary, Sing, my soul, her praises due. All her feasts, her actions worship With the heart's devotion true. Lost in wond'ring contemplation, Be her Majesty confess'd. Call her Mother, call her Virgin, Happy Mother, Virgin blest.
- 2. She, when deepest night infernal Had for ages shrouded man, Gaveth us that life eternal Promised since the world began. God in her hath showered plenty On the hungry and the weak; Sending back the mighty, empty, Setting up on high the meek.
- 3. She is mighty to deliver; Call her, trust her lovingly. When the tempest rages round thee, She will calm the troubled sea.

Gifts of heaven she has given,
Noble Lady, to our race.
She, the Queen, who decks her subjects
With the light of God's own grace.

Daily, daily sing to Mary

- 4. Sing, my tongue, the Virgin's trophies
 Who for us her Maker bore.
 For the curse of old inflicted,
 Peace and blessing to restore.
 Sing in songs of praise unending,
 Sing the world's majestic Queen.
 Weary not nor faint in telling.
 All the gifts she gives to men.
 - 5. All our joys do flow from Mary; All then join her praise to sing, Trembling sing the Virgin Mother, Mother of our Lord and King. While we sing her awful glory, Far above our fancy's reach, Let our hearts be quick to offer Love the heart alone can teach.

Presentation of Alms
Orate Fratres

Hymnal #139

[⋄]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.

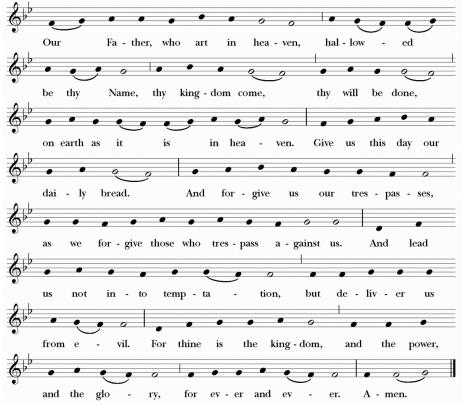
Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church General Confession & Comfortable Words Sursum Corda and Preface Sanctus et Benedictus The Canon of the Mass The Lord's Prayer

BCP 75 Hymnal #734 Hymnal #799 BCP 80 Hymnal #722

BCP 74

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

heaven".



The Pax Domini Prayer of Humble Access Agnus Dei Ecce Agnus Dei

BCP 82 Hymnal #749

W. 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