

St. Luke's Episcopal Church Ada, OK

25th Sunday after Pentecost
Honoring Veterans
November 10, 2024 9:00am



Our Mission: To live in Christ, to love the world, and to serve one another.

Prelude: *God Bless our Native Land* Arr. by Wilbur Held

Opening Hymn: #718 *God of our Fathers*

Opening Acclamation: Page 355 BCP (Book of Common Prayer)

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

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

The Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thought 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: *S-280 Gloria in excelsis*

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.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us Pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

A Reading from the Book of Ruth.

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, “My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.” She said to her, “All that you tell me I will do.”

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.” Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, “A son has been born to Naomi.” They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm

Psalm 127

Nisi Dominus



- 1 Unless the Lord builds the house, *
their labor is in vain who build it.
- 2 Unless the Lord watches over the city, *
in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.
- 3 It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; *
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,
for he gives to his beloved sleep.
- 4 Children are a heritage from the Lord, *
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.
- 5 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior *
are the children of one's youth.
- 6 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! *
he shall not be put to shame
when he contends with his enemies in the gate.

The Epistle

Hebrews 9:24-28

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn: #583 *O Holy City, Seen of John (1-2/3-4)*

The Gospel

Mark 12:38-44

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

As Jesus taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Mike Stephenson

The Nicene Creed Page 358 BCP

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 VI, BCP Page 392

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; Daniel, Bishop of Uruguay; Mike our Supply Priest and Bobby and Robert, our Deacons, and the clergy and people of the diocese of Oklahoma, especially St. Peter's,

Coalgate; in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Grace, Ponca City; and all bishops and other ministers.

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

For those serving our country at home or abroad:

McKinley Noel Eli Walling Paige Perkinson Kait & Collin Rivers

We also pray for our veterans, especially for those still struggling with wartime wounds, let them feel your comfort and healing grace.

For those who are in hospitals and others who need healing:

Robert Martinez	Michael Hughes	April Nesbit	Lisa Ainsworth
Jeanna McQuay	Salyer Roebuck	Judy Coy	Winnie Hobbs
River Northcutt	Olivia Bragg	Libby Thomas	Renee Hogue
Richard Blaylock	Jack White	Alice Wylie	James King, Jr.
Anthony Sutton	Rusty Hall		

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Ken, Bridget, Audrey, & Greg Forshay, Bill Hill, Michael & Eril Hughes, and Nick, Erin, Gus, & Eleanor Jacob.

For those celebrating birthdays this week: Tom Criswell.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Altar flowers are given by Katrina McCurdy in loving memory of her mother, Lois Lockwood. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence.

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your name forever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept

Deacon: Let us confess our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

The Announcements

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B, Page 367 BCP

Offertory

An offering of money is received. Everyone worshiping this morning is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Many support St. Luke's through

pledged offerings made via mail or online through Tithely. Together our gifts make possible for us to live fully into our mission of to live in Christ, to love the world, and to serve one another.

Offertory Hymn: #719 *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

Doxology: Sung to the tune of hymn #380

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him/God all creatures here below.
Praise Him/God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Who, in the multitude of thy saints, hast compassed us about with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us; and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

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:

Sanctus: *S-129 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

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, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Luke and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 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. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant:

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.*

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

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

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

Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn: #309 *O Food to Pilgrims Given*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: 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

Closing Hymn: #716 *God Bless our Native Land*

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude: *Now that the Daylight Fills the Sky* Arr. by Dale Wood

Serving Today:

Officiant: The Rev. Mike Stephenson
Deacons: Rev. Robert Willis and Rev. Bobby Saunkeah
Lector: Denver Davison
Organist: Farren Rowan
Acolyte: Lili Saunkeah
Ushers: Ed Mitchell & Tom Criswell
Altar Guild: Marsha Church & Susan Norvell

Vestry Members:

Senior Warden: Angus McFarlane
Junior Warden: Katrina McCurdy
Treasurer: Barbara Sues
Secretary: Diane Criswell
Anne Escobedo Bridget Forshay Erin Bigelow-Jacob
Shirley Mixon Phillip Cody Joy Dawn Miller
Phyllis Wallace Tonya Wood

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, Nov. 12: Pastoral Care Committee 3:30pm

Friday, Nov. 15: St. Luke's Social Hour 5:30-7:30pm

Hosted by the Escobedos

Thursday, Nov. 21: Matthew 25 4:00-5:15pm

Tuesday, Dec. 3: Men's Breakfast 6:45am

Pastoral Care Committee 3:30pm

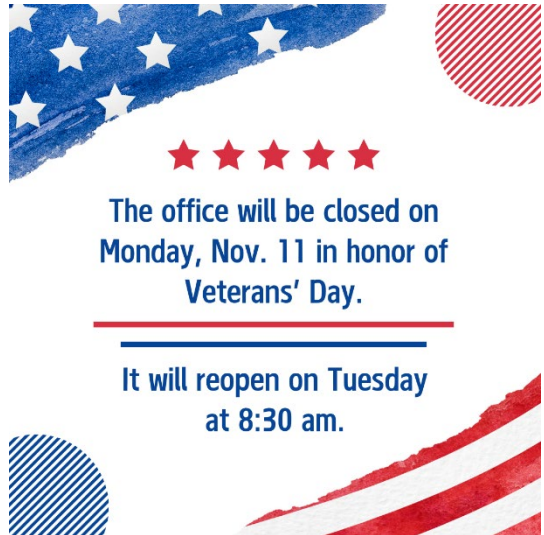
Monday, Dec. 9: Prayerful Collage 6:00pm

Friday, Dec. 13: St. Luke's Social Hour 5:30-7:30pm

Hosted by the Wallings

Thursday, Dec. 19: Matthew 25 4:00-5:15pm

Regular Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00
Closed 12 to 1 for lunch
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The office will be closed on
Monday, Nov. 11 in honor of
Veterans' Day.

It will reopen on Tuesday
at 8:30 am.



Pastoral Care Committee
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@ 3:30 PM



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**Advent begins on Sunday,
December 1st!**

