



ADVENT 2021: CLOSE TO HOME
**THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:
"SEEKING SANCTUARY"**
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2021
10:15 AM IN-PERSON & ON-LINE



ST. LUKE'S ON THE LAKE EPISCOPAL CHURCH | AUSTIN, TEXAS
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THE REVEREND JUSTIN YAWN, RECTOR

Welcome to St. Luke's on the Lake!

We are glad you joined us for worship today, and we invite you to take part in all that St. Luke's has to offer. We are a diverse gathering of Christians, dedicated to *sharing the Joy of Jesus by being a Community in Christ and Christ to the World*. We believe that being a Christian is a life-long journey. Together, we seek to grow our faith and strengthen our discipleship, by, first, *walking The Way of Love*.

Please take a moment to fill out one of our Connection Cards on-line or in person, so that we may share next steps during one of our boutique welcoming events. Finally, thank you for being a part of our community together and allowing us to see God in a new way through you.

Visit our website at www.stlukesonthelake.org for more information about who we are and what we do. We look forward to meeting you wherever you are on your faith journey.

God Bless,
Justin +
Rector

Are You New?

- † **About You** We would love to get to know you better so we can respond to your needs. Please help us by filling out a Connection Card with your contact information and let that be your offering today. Cards are located in the pew racks, or on the sign-in stand in the lobby and from the ushers. We will follow up with you in whatever way you prefer. And please stop by the *Welcome Table* in the lobby for a special gift from us.
 - † **About Our Worship** Our worship style is very interactive. We use this bulletin [based on the *Episcopal Book of Common Prayer* (BCP)] as our guide. You will see people sitting, standing, or kneeling depending on whether we are listening, singing, or praying. You will hear people responding during the service as prompted in the bulletin. Please feel free to do whatever you feel comfortable with.
 - † **About Communion** All baptized people of any age or denomination are invited to take Holy Communion.
 - † **Questions?** Please ask a greeter, an usher, or anyone near you for directions or help.
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Especially For Children

- † **Kinder-5th Grade “Kids’ Church”** is an interactive, kid-friendly worship time that occurs during the first part of the service. Children will be welcomed at the altar by the Rector prior to the beginning of the service, then will go downstairs to the Parish Hall Patio [or the Parish Hall in case of bad weather]. They will return mid-way through the service during the Peace. Or, families (children accompanied by adults) may gather directly outside for worship.
- † **Infant-Age 5** are invited to visit our professionally staffed childcare area. We offer “Little Liturgy”, a littles' worship time and lessons, developed using Godly Play and Montessori models. Ask for assistance in finding our secure check-in desk [located on the first floor of the complex, accessible through Riker Hall near the playground].

THE WORD OF GOD

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Celebrant

Dear people of God: In the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves for the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ who has come to us in humility, is known to us in prayer and the breaking of bread, and will come again in great glory. On this fourth Sunday in the Season of Advent, we light the candle of **LOVE**. This candle reminds us of the light that is Jesus Christ who guides us on the way of love. Let us open our eyes to a new way of loving God and each other.

Celebrant and People say together

Let us, with love, sing our songs of expectation as we await the arrival of our Lord.

PROCESSIONAL *HYMNAL #66 COME THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS*

Please stand as you are comfortable.

1 Come, thou long - ex - spect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People *His mercy endures for ever.*

Celebrant

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People say together

Most merciful God,

**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 neighbors 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.**

ABSOLUTION

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Celebrant continues

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 TRISAGION

Repeat three times.

Celebrant Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
People **Have mercy upon us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON

Please be seated.

Reader A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Hebrews 10:5-10

⁵When Christ came into the world, he said,

“Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;

⁶in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.

⁷Then I said, ‘See, God, I have come to do your will, O God’
(in the scroll of the book it is written of me).”

⁸When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law), ⁹then he added, “See, I have come to do your will.” He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. ¹⁰And it is by God’s will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

THE RESPONSE

Reader Please join me in reading Canticle 15 in unison.

Canticle 15

The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

Luke 1:46-55

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.*

*He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

SEQUENCE *HYMNAL #258 VIRGIN-BORN, WE BOW BEFORE THEE (PSALM 86)*

Please stand as you are comfortable.

1 Vir - gin - born, we bow be - fore thee: bless - ed was the
2 Bless - ed she by all cre - a - tion, who brought forth the

womb that bore thee; — Ma - ry, Mo - ther meek and mild, —
world's sal - va - tion, and bless - ed they, for ev - er blest, who

bless - ed was she in her child. Bless - ed was the breast that fed thee;
love thee most and serve thee best. Vir - gin - born, we bow be - fore thee;

bless - ed was the hand that led thee; bless - ed was the
bless - ed was the womb that bore thee; Ma - ry, Mo - ther

par - ent's eye that watched thy slum - bering in - fan - cy.
meek and mild, — bless - ed was she in her Child.

THE GOSPEL

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Luke 1:39-45

³⁹In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *HYMNAL #56 O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL [VERSES 1 AND 6]*

*O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!*

*O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree,
free them from Satan's tyranny
that trust thy mighty power to save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!*

THE SERMON

THE REV. JUSTIN YAWN, RECTOR

Please be seated.

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Reader Please join me in affirming our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All say together

*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

Please remain standing or kneel as you are comfortable.

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Hector and Kai, our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people, especially those suffering from COVID-19, those caring for them, and those working on treatments.

Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, those on our parish prayer list, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died, especially Gayle Limbeck, half-sister of Peggie Klema; and Judy & Charles Kempinska, friends of Linda Taylor.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

Celebrant

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

Please stand [or post in on-line chat] if you are celebrating a wedding anniversary.

Celebrant and People say together

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

Please stand [or post in on-line chat] if you are celebrating a birthday.

Celebrant and People say together

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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

We are grateful for your tax-deductible contributions, which enable us to continue our work.

Click [here](#) to give on-line; or text a dollar amount followed by the word “pledge” to 833-948-2161; or mail a check to: St. Luke’s on the Lake Episcopal Church | 5600 RR 620 N | Austin, TX 78732

OFFERTORY ANTHEM SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS, COME [BY MELCHIOR VULPIUS]

*Savior of the nations, come!
Virgin's Son, make here your home.
Marvel now, both heaven and earth,
that the Lord chose such a birth.*

*Thus on earth the Word appears,
gracing his created spheres;
hence to death and hell descends,
then the heavenly throne ascends.*

*Wondrous birth! Oh, wondrous child
of the Virgin undefiled!
Mighty God and Mary's son,
eager now his race to run!*

*Come, O Father's saving Son,
who o'er sin the victory won.
Boundless shall your kingdom be;
grant that we its glories see.*

DOXOLOGY

Please stand as you are comfortable as the gifts are presented and placed on the Altar.

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING [EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B]

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.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

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:

THE SANCTUS

Celebrant and People say or sing together

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

Celebrant

Please sit or kneel as you are comfortable.

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 say together

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

The Celebrant continues

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.***

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

Celebrant and People say together

***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.***

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All baptized people of any age or denomination are invited to take Holy Communion.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

- † *The consecrated host [blessed wafer] represents full Communion.*
- † *You may also take consecrated wine by intinction [dipping] of your wafer.*
- † *If you need a gluten-free wafer, let the priest know by cupping your hands.*
- † *To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION

HYMNAL #68 REJOICE, REJOICE, BELIEVERS

HYMNAL #315 THOU, WHO AT THY FIRST EUCHARIST DIDST PRAY

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People say together

***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

The Celebrant says a blessing over the People.

RECESSIONAL *HYMNAL #437 TELL OUT, MY SOUL, THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD*

Please stand as you are comfortable.

1 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord!
2 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his Name!
3 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his might!
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - jice.
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

WORSHIP MINISTERS

Preacher & Celebrant: *The Reverend Justin Yawn, Rector*
Chalice Bearers: *Jim Rollins, Patti Peacock*
Acolytes: *Kristi & Katie Tabor* | Advent Wreath Lighters: *The Cussimano Family*
Altar Guild: *Team 1 Bonnie Conner* | Floral Guild: *Kelle Sosa*
Ushers: *Team 7 Bruce Bigelow* | Vestry: *Darren Grissom*
Choir Director: *Don Grantham* | Organist: *Marti Abern*
Worship Support: *Michael Balli, Barbara Frazell, Kym Hall, LoriAnn Lavallee,
Anne Morley, Nancy Phillips, Brad Powell*

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Contact office@stlukesonthelake.org to add yourself or a loved one to this list.
Names remain on this list for four weeks unless otherwise requested.
Names of those who have died are read during Prayers of the People for two weeks.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially:

These Members and Loved Ones Serving Our Country: Amos, Brian, Christine F., Christine M., Christopher, Isabelle, Jacob, Jason, Javen, Jordan, Mark, Marshall, Phillip, Raymond, Russell, Scott, Travis, Weston.

Those Whose Needs Have Been Made Known to Us: Adrian, Alyson, Ann, Ann B., Ann C., Beau, Becky, Beverly, Bill, Bill T., Bob, Breese, Brian, Caitlin, Carol, Carol & Ross, Carolyn, Cathy, Cathy B., Chris G., Chris M., Christy and David, Craig, Cynthia, Dana, Danny, David, Dawn, Debbie, Dene, Donnie, Eleanor, Elle & Jared, Elizabeth, Emma, Frank & Sheri, Gayle, Georgia, George, Hester, Holly, Hunter, Haley, Jack, Jackie, Jacob, Jana, Trent, & Judy, Joan, JoAnne, John F., John H., John & Suzy, Karen, Karen K., Kay, Julia & Jack, Kelly, Kimberley, Kitty, Kristi, Lainie, Laura, Lauren & Family, Linda, Maddy, Marilyn, Mark, Mary, Mary Alice, Michael, Mike, Nelle, Pam, Pat, Patty, Patricia, Peggy, Pete, Rachel, Raymond & Margaret, Remi & Family, Robbie, Sarah, Sarah Nelle, Scott B., Stan & Launa, Susan, Susan M., Thomas, Thomas A., Tom, Tom W., Tommye, Zach, our Hurricane Ida Survivor Families.

Those Who Have Died: Gayle Limbeck, half-sister of Peggie Klema; Judy & Charles Kempinska, friends of Linda Taylor; Mike Jiminez, nephew of Juan Espinoza; Dr. Jorge Angel, stepfather of Roy Wheeler and stepfather-in-law of Debbie Wheeler.

CHRISTMAS ON THE LAKE 2021

IN-PERSON CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULE*

Service	Date	Time	Music	Description
Christmas Eve	Friday, December 24	2:00 PM	Organ/Musicians	Traditional
Christmas Eve	Friday, December 24	4:00 PM	Keyboards/Vocalist	Children's Pageant
Christmas Eve	Friday, December 24	8:00 PM	Organ/Choir	Traditional
Christmas Day	Saturday, December 25	10:00 AM	Organ	Traditional
Christmas I	Sunday, December 26	10:00 AM	Organ/Choir	Traditional

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CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you wish to honor/remember a loved one this Christmas season by donating a poinsettia for our altar, please fill out the form below [or visit <https://stlukescfm.wufoo.com/forms/st-lukes-on-the-lake-christmas-poinsettias-2021>]. Suggested donation is \$25.00. You may pay on-line [via Vanco] or by cash/check placed in the collection plate or mailed to the church office. If paying by check, please include "poinsettia" on the memo line. Your message will be included in our Christmas bulletins.

DUE BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH

Your Name: _____ Your phone: _____

Your email: _____

Name of tribute: _____

Brief message for bulletin: _____