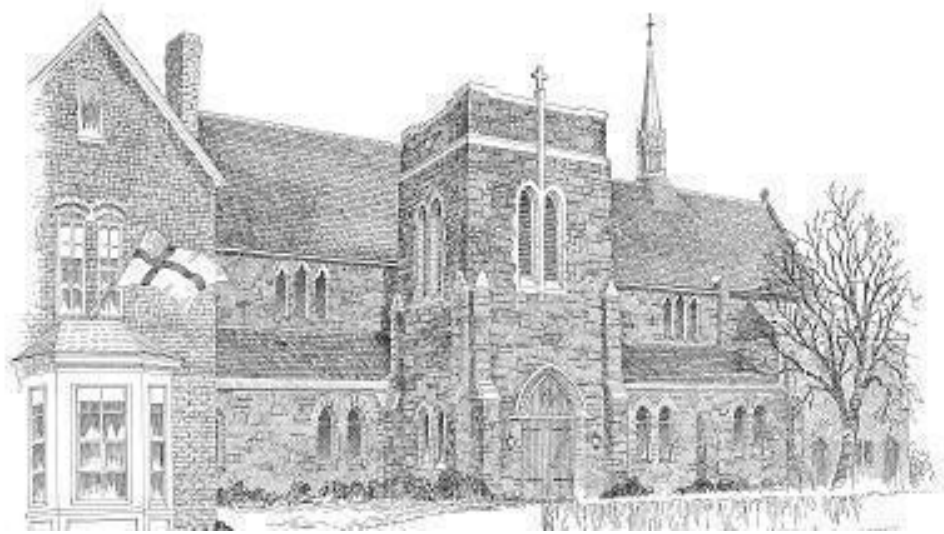




St. Luke's Cathedral

**Last Sunday after Pentecost
The Reign of Christ**

Sunday 24 November 2024



The Cathedral Church of St. Luke
in the
Episcopal Diocese of Maine
and the
City of Portland

*Whoever you are,
and wherever you may be on the journey of the spirit,
The Episcopal Church welcomes you.*

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
10:00AM *in the Nave & Livestreamed*

Welcome to St. Luke's Cathedral!

We are a faith community with ancient worship and modern thought, catholic traditions and progressive theology. We proclaim a Biblical perspective for thinking people, a respect for reason, science, and a diversity of perspective. This empowers compassion and care for both the wider community and one another. Our commitment to welcome and inclusion is central to our mission modeled on the Kingdom of God and proclaimed by Jesus Christ. We are part of the 1.7 million-member **Episcopal Church** in the United States, and the 85-million-member worldwide **Anglican Communion**.



New to St. Luke's? We are delighted to welcome you to the cathedral and are grateful for your presence with us today. We invite you to fill out our visitor's register at either entrance of the cathedral nave.

Our Mission: St. Luke's welcomes every person to share in the Episcopal Church's mission "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Jesus Christ." As a cathedral, St. Luke's is the seat of the bishop and the chief mission church of the Diocese and people of Maine. St. Luke's first service was held on Christmas Day in 1868, and continues over 150 years of reaching out to the city and people of Portland.

How we worship: Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud, and to sing all music printed in the order of service. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the ✠ indicates that. Instructions for how to receive communion are provided later in the bulletin, at that point in the liturgy.

Where are the restrooms? There are four restrooms in the parish house, through the doors at the front left corner of the church. Men's and women's restrooms are across the large room at the top of the ramp: walk straight across, through the double doors and to your left. On the lower level, there are two accessible, single-stall (non-gender) restrooms, one on either end of the large room. If you need help finding them, please ask an usher.

Visit our child-friendly gathering space: beside the baptismal font on the east wall of the nave, a place where children and their guardians can move around and engage with soft toys, books, yet still participate in worship.

Worship Resources: Except where otherwise indicated, all spoken texts used in worship are from *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979). And, except where otherwise indicated, all music not in the public domain is reprinted and streamed with permission under OneLicense.net #A-713087 and/or RiteSong.

Sunday parking for St. Luke's: Off-street parking is available in two locations for those attending Sunday services: our lot adjacent to the Parish Hall, accessed from Park St.; and the Cumberland Club's (Spring Street between Park & High Sts.). We are grateful to the Cumberland Club for sharing their space with us (except on Easter and Mother's Day). In addition, limited handicap parking is available in the traffic circle in the State Street churchyard.

St. Luke's Territorial Acknowledgement

St Luke's acknowledges that we are worshipping on "unceded territory taken by force and previously occupied by the **Wabanaki people**." (*Amended City Charter, Portland, Maine*). Some of the resources that built this cathedral came from industry related to the slave trade in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries. We join our fellow residents in honoring the Wabanaki knowledge and culture that continues to thrive in the Tribal Nations. We ask for Blessing and Peace upon all indigenous peoples that have called, and always will call, this place—"The Dawnland"—HOME.

We invite you to pray this morning for...

members of our parish family

Sarah Braik, Maggie Gardner

members of our extended parish family

Lisa Gorham (*friend of Peter & Connie Bingham*), Alice Brown (*niece of Gail Swanton*),

Pat Anderson (*sister of Gail Swanton*), Jan Giroux (*colleague of Gail Swanton*), Will Armitage (*son of Nancy Armitage*), Basil Siavelis (*uncle of Rita Siavelis*), Joe (*son of Jeri Edgar*), Janice (*sister of Terry Foster*), Will Oliver (*friend of Sallie Smith*)

Please silence your electronic devices before worship begins.

Prelude

9. Andante sostenuto
from Twelve Tone-Pieces, Op. 65, No. 9

Music: Johann Georg Herzog
(1822-1909)

Words of Welcome

The Reverend George Stevens, *Interim Dean*

The Word of God

When the tower bell rings, please stand as you are able. The people are encouraged to sing all music printed in the bulletin.

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,
3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,
4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;
5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,
6 The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him:

1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;
3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.
4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.
5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.
6 his pe - ple's hope, his peo - ple's wealth, their ev - er - last - ing theme.

The Hymnal 1982 – #483 “The head that once was crowned with thorns”; Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1855)
Music: *St. Magnus*, CM, melody from *Divine Companion*, 1707; harm, William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after John Pyke Hullah (19th cent.)

Opening Acclamation

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

People Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts 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 Savior. Amen.

Song of Praise

Kyrie eleison

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

Chris - te e - lei - son, Chris - te e - lei - son, Chris - te e - lei - son, e - lei - son.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

translation: *Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.* Music: from *Mass for St. Bartholomew's*, William K. Trafka (b. 1956)

Celebrant May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Please sit.

First Reading

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Reader A reading from the seventh chapter of Daniel.

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 93 at the Gradual

The Choir introduces the Refrain, which all then repeat together. The Choir sings the verses of the psalm. The People join in singing the Refrain where indicated.



God is Sovereign, clothed in splendid apparel; God is robed in majesty and is girded with strength.
God has made the whole world so sure that it cannot be moved;
Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting. *Refrain*

The waters have lifted up, O God, the waters have lifted up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea,
mightier is the Holy One who dwells on high.

Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness adorns your house, O God, for ever and for evermore. *Refrain*

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Music: from *The Portland Psalter*, Robert A. Hawthorne, Copyright © 2002 Robert A. Hawthorne, Church Publishing, Inc.

Second Reading

Revelation 1:4b-8

Reader A reading from the first chapter of Revelation.

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our king?
2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for - give,
3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver all,
4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re - nown;

What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose praise the Church would sing?
to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that we might rise and live.
you said the first must be the last and ser - vice be our call.
you died for us up - on a cross with thorns your on - ly crown.

As - pir - ing not to glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame,
To break the law of death you came, the low of love to bring:
O Christ, in work - place, church, and home let none to pow - er cling;
But still, be - yond the span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring,

you walked a dif - ferent low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.
a dif - ferent rule of right - eous - ness, a dif - ferent kind of king.
for still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - ferent kind of king.
for now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - ferent kind of king.

The musical score consists of four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism – #364 “O Christ, what can it mean for us”; Words: Delores Dufner, OSB, (b. 1939), Words Copyright © 2001, 2003 GIA Publications, Inc.
Music: *Kingsfold*, CMD, English folk melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), Copyright © by permission of Oxford University Press

At the ✠ below, you are invited to trace crosses over your forehead, your mouth, and your heart.

Deacon ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Gospel

John 18:33-37

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit.

Sermon

The Reverend Christopher Worthley, *Assisting Clergy*

Please stand as you are able.

Nicene Creed

from *Enriching our Worship*

People

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 V

Leader In peace, let us pray to God, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the holy Church of God, remembering especially Trinity, Saco; for the Commission on Ministry; Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center in Biddeford; that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Thomas our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader Remembering especially Ukraine, Haiti, Sudan, Gaza, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Israel, Lebanon and Palestine, all places torn by war and violence, and all victims of war, we pray for the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For those in positions of public trust, remembering especially Joseph, our President; Donald our President Elect; Janet, our Governor; Mark, our Mayor; and all members of local, state, and national government; for all who serve and have served in the armed forces of our country; that they may serve with justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, for the victims of human trafficking and those working to combat it; and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For this congregation that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health.

The Leader reads the names from the parish prayer list, printed on the inside cover of your bulletin.

During the silence that follows, you are invited to add names, silently or aloud.

In remembering our loved ones, friends, and family in prayer, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For all who have ☩ died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader Rejoicing in the fellowship of blessed Luke and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People **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.

Celebrant May Almighty God have ☩ mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People may greet one another in the name of God. Afterward, please sit.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

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



A free will offering in support of the mission and ministry of the Cathedral is taken at this time.

All quarters in the offering plate go to support lunches for the school children in Dony, Haiti.

Online giving is available at <stlukesportland.org/give/>; or scan the QR at left.

Spiritual

Ride on, King Jesus, No man can a-hinder me.

For He is King of Kings, He is the Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ, the first and last. No man works like Him.

King Jesus rides a milk-white horse. No man works like Him.

The river of Jordan He did cross. No man works like Him.

For He is King of Kings, Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ, the first and last.

King Jesus rides in the middle of the air. He calls the saints from everywhere.

Dan Schmalz, *bas*; Connie Schmalz, *piano*; Words: Traditional; Music: African American Spiritual, arr. Hall Johnson (1888-1970)

Please stand as you are able.

1 Temp - ted and tried we're oft made to won - der, why it should be thus all the day long;
2 When death has come and tak - en our loved ones, it leaves our home so lone - ly and drear;
3 Faith - ful till death said our lov - ing Mas - ter, a few more days to la - bor and wait;
4 When we see Je - sus com - ing in glo - ry, when he comes from his home in the sky;

while there are oth - ers liv - ing a - bout us, nev - er mo - lest - ed though in the wrong.
then do we won - der why oth - ers pros - per, liv - ing so wick - ed year af - ter year.
toils of the road will then seem as noth - ing, as we sweep through the beau - ti - ful gate.
then we shall meet him in that bright man - sion, we'll un - der - stand it all by and by.

Refrain

Far - ther a - long we'll know all a - bout it, far - ther a - long we'll un - der - stand why;

cheer up, don't wor - ry, live in the sun - shine, we'll un - der - stand it all by and by.

Lift Every Voice and Sing II - #187 "Farther along"; Words: William Buel (W. B.) Stevens (1862-1940)
Music: *Farther Along*, 10 9. 10 9 with Refrain, Words: William Buel (W. B.) Stevens (1862-1940); arr. J. R. Baxter (1887-1960)

Prayer over Offertory Gifts for Stewardship Season

Celebrant Creator God, may these gifts honor the work you have given us to do here in this place. May we bless, break, and share these gifts of time, talent, and treasure with our neighbors, walking in love as you have walked with us.

People Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant May God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to our God.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

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

Music: from *Mass for St. Bartholomew's*, William K. Traffka (b. 1956)

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

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 Savior 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 God,

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 Creator 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 blessed 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 God, now and for ever.

People

AMEN.

Celebrant
People

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

organ
Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.
organ
Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.
organ
Je - sus, Re - deem - er, Re - deem - er of the world,
organ
Do - na no - bis pa - cem,
sub
do - na - no - bis pa - cem, do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Music: from *Mass for St. Bartholomew's*, William K. Traffka (b. 1956)

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 of the People

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. As the Iona Community says, "Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here."

Ushers will assist you to approach by the center and return by the side aisles. You are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine when presented; we believe that the divine presence is fully present in both the bread and the wine, and you may refuse either. For example, you may choose to receive only the bread, and then walk away; or, if you would like, you may touch the chalice with your hand, and not actually consume any wine. If you would like to receive the blessing of the Church, but not communion, indicate to the clergy by crossing your arms when approached. If you are not able to come forward, please motion to an usher, and communion will be brought to you. Per Diocesan guidelines, the cathedral does not practice intinction (dipping the bread into the wine) at this time.

Prayers of Healing are offered in *All Saints Chapel* (to the right of the kneeling rail). Members of the prayer team will assist you in offering prayer of healing for yourself or a loved one.

The choir sings

Canticle 18, A Song to the Lamb: *Dignus es*

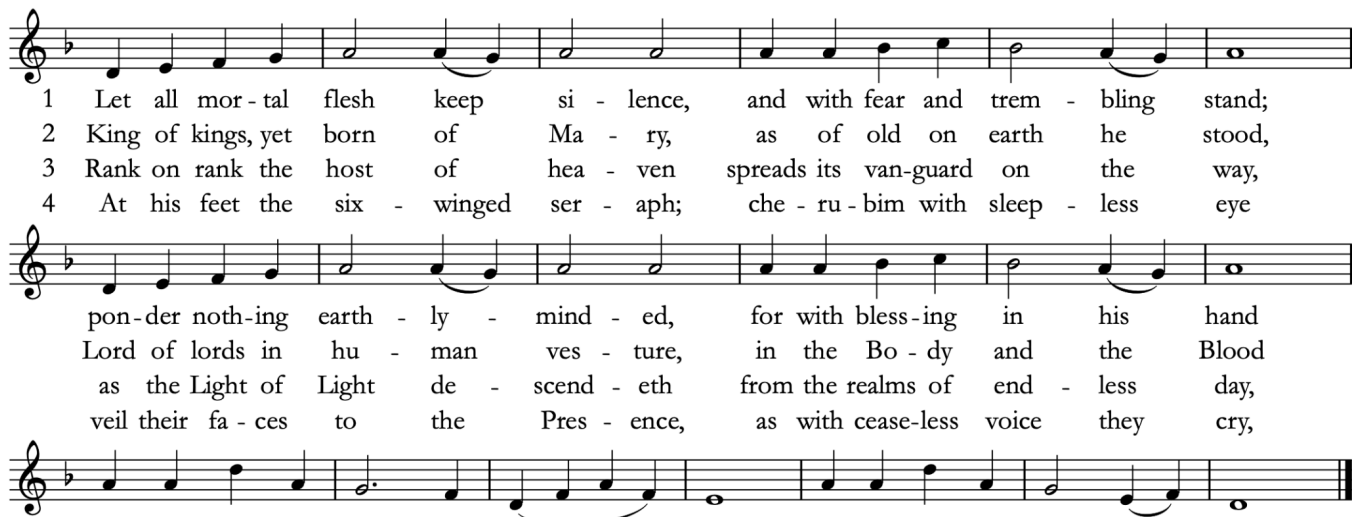
Refrain: Splendor and honor and *royal power are yours by right, O Lord our God. *orig. “kingly”

Splendor and honor and kingly power are yours by right, O Lord our God, for you created everything that is, and by your will they were created and have their being. *Refrain*

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, for with your blood you have redeemed for God, from every family, language, people, and nation, a kingdom of priests to serve our God. *Refrain*

And so, to him who sits upon the throne, and to Christ the Lamb, be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, for ever and for evermore. *Refrain*

Words: Revelation 4.11; 5.9-10, 13; Music: Calvin Hampton (1938-1984). Copyright © 1984 M. Pambrun



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on earth he stood,
3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van-guard on the way,
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; che - ru - bim with sleep - less eye

pon-der noth-ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless-ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
as the Light of Light de - scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
veil their fa - ces to the Pres - ence, as with cease-less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth, our full hom-age to de - mand.
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heaven - ly food.
that the powers of hell may van - ish as the dark-ness clears a - way.
“Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!”

The Hymnal 1982 – #324 “Let all mortal flesh keep silence”; Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885)
Music: Picardy, 87. 87. 87, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Please stand as you are able.

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God,

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 Celebrant blesses the people with these words

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be quick to love and make haste to be kind. And may the ✠ blessing of God who made us, and who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you this day and forevermore. — Henri Frederic Amiel (1821-1881)

People Amen.

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan,
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave,
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign,
 5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove;

1 Hark! how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own;
 2 and ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man;
 3 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save;
 4 who once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran - sored sin - ners slain,
 5 Crown him the King, to whom is given the won - drous name of Love.

1 a - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 2 who ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu - man breast,
 3 his glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high,
 4 now lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing
 5 Crown him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall,

1 and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 and takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 their songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King
 5 crown him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

The Hymnal 1982 – #494 “Crown him with many crowns”; Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894)
 Music: *Diademata*, SMD, George Job Elvey (1816-1893); desc. Richard Proulx (1937-2010). Descant Copyright © 1970 Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission.

The Deacon dismisses the people with these words

Go in peace to love and serve our God.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

v. Acclamations (sur le texte des acclamations carolingiennes)
 from *Suite Médiévale*

Music: Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

About the postlude... Jean Langlais's *Suite Médiévale* is described as being "in the form of a low mass," that is, to provide music for a celebration of the eucharist that includes no singing. Each movement quotes at least one plainsong melody from the Roman Rite. The final movement, Acclamations (*sur le texte des acclamations carolingiennes*), is a toccata, more sturdy than brilliant, based on the Carolingian acclamation "*Christus vincit*" ("Christ triumphs"), a five note motive heard in the pedal after each of the opening flourishes. The whole majestic movement is based on this motive, for a fitting close, both musically and theologically. *Suite Médiévale* is idiomatic of the "organ Mass," one of the standard forms of the Mass celebrated in Roman Catholic churches throughout western Europe, but especially in France. The organ Mass is a form of the High (*i.e.*, sung) Mass of Sundays and solemn celebrations. The possible uses of the organ in the Mass were standardized by 1600. In general, the organ plays in alternation with sung versets of plainsong during the Ordinary of the Mass, that is the Kyrie Eleison, Gloria in excelsis, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei, at the offertory, the elevation of the host, and at the Dismissal. Traditionally, these organ versets have been improvisatory in style, if not truly improvised, and quote, or are inspired by, the plainsong versets that they replace. The organ Mass became the foundation of a French improvisatory idiom in the 19th and 20th centuries, of which *Suite Médiévale* is a product. Composer & organist Jean Langlais (1907-1991) studied composition with a student of César Franck and was appointed organist to the Church of St. Clotilde in Paris in 1945. This blind virtuoso player and improviser also taught at the Paris Schola Cantorum. In addition to his organ works, he also composed for orchestra and chamber ensembles.

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<i>Assisting</i>	The Reverend George Stevens, <i>Interim Dean</i>
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<i>Reader</i>	Ellen Detlefsen
<i>Prayers Leader</i>	Curtis Maurand
<i>Live Streaming</i>	Jack Swanton, Sam Allen
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Kate Leschey, Elizabeth Burger
<i>Contributing Ministries</i>	Acolytes, Vergers, Flower Guild, Altar Guild, Kneeler Guild, Cathedral Choir, Healing Team

***The Altar Flowers for today's services are given to the glory of God
in thanksgiving for the dedicated service provided by the members of St. Luke's Flower Guild.***

HAPPENING TODAY

Coffee Hour: Please join us after the 10AM service for fellowship and refreshments in the Upper Hall, through the doors to the left of the altar. All are welcome. Interested in hosting? This important part of our common life provides us with a time for connection. Hosting is fun and easy; it requires only bringing in a baked good and brewing coffee. Please consider volunteering; a lot of gratitude comes with it. Thank you! Check the hosting schedule by visiting <<http://tinyurl.com/coffeeatstlukes>>, and choose a date, then contact Meredith Cough <meredith.cough@gmail.com>.

The Dean's Forum on Stewardship: Please join the Reverend George Stevens in the Nave after church for a forum on Stewardship. George will speak about the heart of stewardship—how our shared gifts align with our call to walk in love. This is an opportunity to reflect deeply on how we give of ourselves, our time, and our resources to further God's work in the world.

Ad Hoc Preparedness Committee: At its November meeting the vestry unanimously approved the formation of an ad hoc Preparedness Committee. Chaired by Linda and Peter Carleton and Ruth Roemer, the purpose of the committee is to help St. Luke's address for the threatened mass deportations and the growing number of transgender people fleeing from hostile states.

In the coming days, the Committee will gather information as to what ideas and actions are being considered by the State of Maine, the City of Portland, the Maine Council of Churches, the Episcopal Diocese of Maine, and local immigrant and transgender rights groups. The committee will then present findings to the vestry and the Cathedral and will give suggestions as to ways St. Luke's and its members might participate in these efforts.

As time is of the essence, there will be an introductory meeting today, immediately after the 10:00 service in the Parish office. Attendance at this meeting is not necessary to join the group. Please contact Linda Carleton via email at <lindacarleton01@gmail.com> with any questions or to join the effort.

The Portland Rossini Club will be presenting their concert this afternoon at 3:00PM in the Cathedral Nave. The concert will feature the musical works of Beethoven, Puccini, Moore, Gershwin, Chopin, and Llamazares. Contact: (207) 318-7465 or <rossiniclub.org/event/november24/>

5:15PM Sunday Worship You are most welcome to join us this evening in Emmanuel Chapel for worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving Day service: Please join us at 10AM Thursday 28 November for Holy Eucharist in Emmanuel Chapel. The Rt. Reverend Thomas Brown, Bishop of Maine, will preside. All are welcome to attend.

Stewardship 2025 Update: As our *Walk in Love* Stewardship Campaign draws to a close, we invite you to join us in celebration of our collective journey of giving and purpose:

- **Today: The Dean's Forum on Stewardship**

The Rev. George Stevens, our Interim Dean, will speak about the heart of stewardship—how our shared gifts align with our call to walk in love. This is an opportunity to reflect deeply on how we give of ourselves, our time, and our resources to further God's work in the world.

- **Next Sunday: Celebration and Dedication Sunday**

On December 1st, we will bring forward and bless all of the pledge commitments we've received. Together, we'll celebrate the generosity of this community and dedicate these gifts to God's work in the coming year.

Let these Sundays inspire us to walk boldly in love, answering God's call to share our time, talent, and treasures. Questions? Contact Stewardship Chair & Treasurer, Randi Hogan at <treasurer@cathedralofstluke.org>

Join the Altar Guild for their December Polishing Party: The St. Luke's Altar guild is having a silver and gold polishing party to get ready for the holidays! Join us 10AM–12NOON Saturday 14 December in the Upper Hall. Everyone is welcome! You don't need to be part of the altar guild to participate. Coffee and goodies will be provided. Contact Kate Leschey <cleschey@gmail.com>

PPEAT Announcement: Seeking a volunteer! The Public Policy and Environmental Action Team is in need of a co-Chair for the committee as of December 11, 2024. Please contact Ruth Roemer at roemerr29@gmail.com or by phone at 973-901-0345 if you would like more information or would like to volunteer.

Sing Christmas with the Cathedral Choir: Rehearsals Thursdays 7-9PM (no rehearsal this week); singing for Christmas Festival of Lessons & Carols, Sunday 22 December @ 4PM; Christmas Eve; and Sundays @ 10AM. Contact: Christian Clough <CClough@cathedralofstluke.org>

Newsletter Available from the Haiti-Maine Partnership: The Haiti Partnership has produced a newsletter which is available with updates from the St. Simon/St. Jude Episcopal School in Haiti. Printed copies of the newsletter are available at both entrances of the Nave.

The committee is in touch with the school director on a regular basis about all of his hard work to make sure the children in Duny have a meal and an education. The quarters you put in the plate on a weekly basis help to fund a lunch program for 201 students, this is especially important given the conflict and violence in that country right now. The school committee in Duny expresses deep gratitude for our support. With thanks, Meredith Cough - *chair of the Haiti Partnership Committee*

St. Elizabeth's Coat Drive: As the cold weather approaches, St Elizabeth's is looking for donations of coats and boots (new and gently used) to make available for our neighbors. Please leave your donations in the blue box in the lower hall, next to the stairs. Contact: Byrd Wood <jacknbyrd@gmail.com>.

Renaissance Voices Christmas Concert: Join Renaissance Voices and maestro Harold Stover, for their Christmas Concerts at the Cathedral, featuring music of Juan Esquivel, Sally Herman, Celia McDowell, and more! 7:30PM Saturday 14 & 2:00PM Sunday 15 December. Purchase tickets @ <www.renaissancevoices.net/concerts>

Christmas Festival of Lessons & Carols: 4PM on 22 December, our first liturgical celebration of Christmas. Please tell friends, neighbors, and family! Especially for folks away for Christmas, this is an excellent opportunity to celebrate in our beautiful space and tradition! Contact: Christian Clough<CClough@cathedralofstluke.org>.

Young and the Restless Friendsgiving Rescheduled: Join the Young and the Restless on Sunday, December 1 for our annual Friendsgiving! Rotisserie chicken, rolls, beverages and paper goods will be provided. Please bring a veggie side dish and/or dessert to share. Specific timing of the gathering and location will be determined in the coming week. Please stay tuned to the E-pistle for details. Please reach out to Phoebe at pblume@gmail.com with any questions.

OPPORTUNITIES & COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Prayers of Healing are offered at the 10AM service each Sunday, during or after communion and to the end of the postlude. Two members of the Healing Team offer these healing prayers in All Saints' Chapel (the small chapel to the right of the communion rail.)

The Biblical Study Group meets in the Conference Room on the ground floor 8:30–10:00AM. The topic for our sessions is the search for the one and only God, Elohim or Adonai, within ourselves. Join us for our study of the search of becoming “who we were meant to be.” We are led by Bob Hanson, retired university professor, Episcopal priest, author, peace activist, and Jungian analyst. With questions, contact Bob at (207)-405-8250.

Soul Talk is a monthly coffee and conversation group in which we talk not so much about our beliefs but about our faith and experience of God. It meets at 10 AM on the 4th Thursday of each month. Please join us once a month or once in a while. Contact Linda Carleton <lindacarleton01@gmail.com> if you'd like to receive an email with material for reflection before each meeting. Our next session will be held on 19 November.

Contemplative prayer meets every Thursday at 4:30PM on Zoom (*please see the E-pistle for the link*). Please join us for a half hour of silent meditation followed by a brief conversation about our experience. No experience necessary! Contact: Sarah Braik <sbraik642@gmail.com>.

Volunteer to serve on the Altar Guild: We love volunteering on the Altar Guild, and think you would, too! Volunteering with Altar Guild is fun and rewarding. Together, we can work to enable our congregation to engage in worship that is filled with order, beauty, peace, and tranquility. Contact: Kate Leschey <cleschey@gmail.com> or Rita Siavelis <ritasiav@hotmail.com>

Join the Kneelers Guild and Prayer Shawl Knitters every Tuesday 2:30–4:30PM in the Upper Hall. Everyone is welcome, whether you are curious or want to begin. Kneeler kits cost \$75, which include directions, yarn, needles & canvas. Novices are welcome; we will teach you as needed. Prayer Shawls: 20" x 60"; select your yarn & needles. Coffee & tea are available.

Join the Young and the Restless, St. Luke's 20s-30s-year-old ministry, which hosts events both at CSL and outside the church. Join us as we hike, ice-skate, play trivia, or just enjoy each other's company! If you are new to us, welcome! We meet 6-8PM each Tuesday at Maine Beer Company in Freeport for trivia. Other events happen sporadically throughout the month, though trivia is a wonderful opportunity to meet us, if you're joining us for the first time. Contact: Shana Rose <shanaro931@gmail.com>

COMMUNITY NOTES

To reserve space for a group, meeting or event, fill out a space usage form, and check with the cathedral calendar first! Thanks! Contact: Avery Schott (207) 772-5434 or <office@cathedralofstluke.org>

Thank you in advance for your offering today. You can donate to St. Luke's through our new and secure "Give and Text" feature. Please text **"TEXTCSL" to 73256**. Our 2024 Pledge Campaign is ongoing. Pledge materials and information are available at <www.stlukesportland.org>

The parish prayer list: Names remain on the prayer list for 3 consecutive weeks unless otherwise requested. If you wish for a name to be added, contact Avery Schott, Parish Administrator <office@cathedralofstluke.org>.

Access your Realm profile: The Cathedral's online database, Realm, is a useful tool for parishioners to manage their contact and pledging information. Realm helps our community by improving our record keeping in a more streamlined fashion. When joining Realm you can sign-up to be a part of the online directory. To activate your Realm profile, please contact Nina Andersen, financial administrator <nandersen@cathedralofstluke.org>. Nina will assist you with the few steps necessary to access your profile.



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