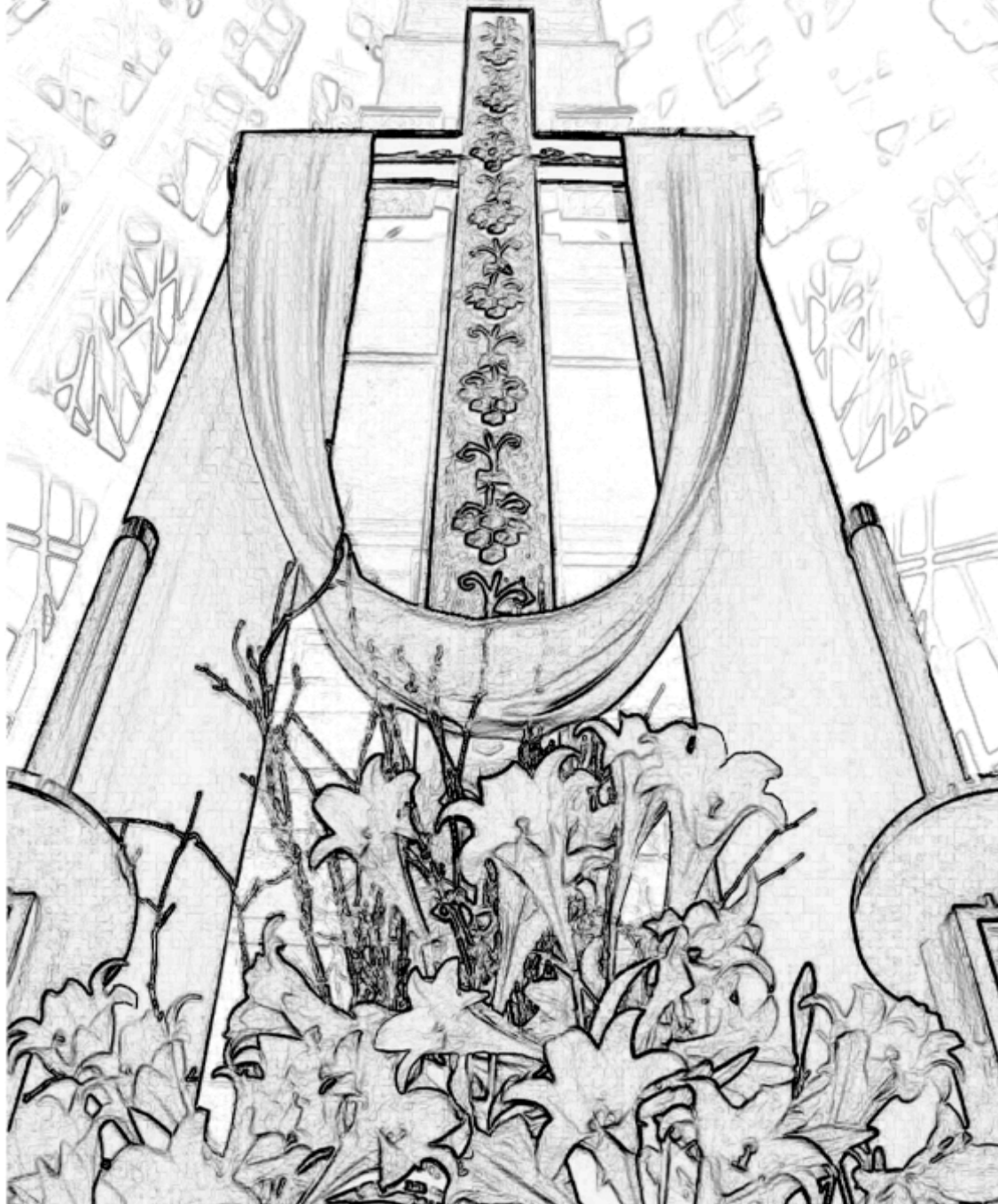


The Sixth Sunday of Easter



SAINT LUKE CHURCH

A warm welcome to all who gather in the name of Christ this morning. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider Saint Luke Church.

Please enter the church using the Courtyard entrance.

Out of an abundance of caution everyone is required to wear a mask in the church and during the service.

Everyone must sign in and have their temperature taken, which will not be recorded. Please go right to your seat after you have signed in.

There will be no singing by the congregation and responses and prayers should be spoken quietly.

Sharing of the Peace will be done in place and without contact. A nod toward the neighbor, a bow of the head, a wave or other signs of mutual spiritual respect can be used.

Following the service an usher will dismiss you from your seat. Please exit immediately. Pastor will greet people in the courtyard, weather permitting.

Free parking is available in the parking garage behind the church. Enter from Melrose St. (one block north of Belmont).

If there is anything else we can do to assist your worship experience, please let the ushers know.



SAINT LUKE CHURCH

Sunday, May 9, 2021
Sixth Sunday of Easter

PRAYER CONNECTION AND REFLECTION

Time to reflect and pray individually as you prepare for worship

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord. Amen

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE ILL

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully hear our prayers and grant to your servants

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| <i>Shauna Stiglich</i> | <i>Jan Nyberg</i> | <i>Amyyah Robinson</i> | <i>Rosie Diaz</i> | <i>Shirley Howell</i> |
| <i>MaryJo McCawley</i> | <i>Jeanette Geweke</i> | <i>Elisabeth Sumegi</i> | <i>Dan Horton</i> | <i>Calvin Clements</i> |
| <i>Laurie Strohmayr</i> | <i>Mona Moharrerri</i> | <i>Martha Kastigar</i> | <i>Grace Tampa</i> | <i>Rosemarie Morgen</i> |
| <i>Albester Hall Jones</i> | <i>William A. Jones</i> | <i>Matthew Hage</i> | <i>Omar Silva</i> | <i>Jack Pasquale</i> |
| <i>Linda Planekowsky</i> | <i>Mark Van Scharrel</i> | <i>Steven Lubicz</i> | <i>Hayden Berthelot</i> | <i>Kenneth Markworth</i> |

the help of your power, that illness may be turned into health and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ. Amen

FOR THOSE IN NEED

God of compassion, help us to see the face of Christ in those who are poor, and in serving them to serve you. Give us generous hearts so that those living in poverty may have adequate resources. By your Spirit move us to affirm the dignity of all people and to work for just laws. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Almighty God, we commit to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad:

Nicholas Bakulinski *Jeremy Strohmayr* *Dan McCarthy* *Preston Larson* *Lucas Kratz*

Defend them with your heavenly grace and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Almighty God, all thoughts of truth and peace come from you. Kindle in the hearts of all your children the love of peace, and guide with your wisdom the leaders of the nations, so that your kingdom will go forth in peace and the earth will be filled with the knowledge of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 9, 2021 • 8:30 AM

GATHERING

Sit Prelude: Trumpet above and below LN Clerambault

Stand Hymn Christ Is Alive

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Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.
Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and ev'ry age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Greeting

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Alleluia!

Let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

The congregation responds: Amen

WORD

Sit First Reading Acts 10:44-48

The reading concludes: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98

Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

O Lord, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.
You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the Lord.
Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.
Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
who comes to judge the earth.
The Lord will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6
The reading concludes: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stand Alleluia Verse sung by Cantor
HOLY GOSPEL Saint John 15:9-17

Sit Sermon
Hymn of the Day Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds
Now all the vault of heaven resounds in praise of love that still abounds:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here:
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Eternal is the gift he brings, therefore our heart with rapture sings:
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Now still he comes to give us life and by his presence stills all strife.
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that we conquer through your triumph;
grant grace sufficient for life’s day that by our lives we truly say:
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“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!”
Be to the Father, and our Lord, to Spirit blest, most holy God,
all the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Stand Nicene Creed
**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 and the Son.
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 Intercession

After each petition: Let us pray to the Lord: **Have mercy, O God.**

Sharing of the Peace

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Stand Offertory Prayer
Let us pray.
**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness
you have blessed us with these gifts; our selves, our time, and our
possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world
with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
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Hymn My God, How Wonderful Thou Art
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How beautiful thy mercy seat in depths of burning light!
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for thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.
My God, how wonderful thou art, thou everlasting friend!
On thee I stay my trusting heart till faith in vision end.

SENDING

Stand Table Blessing
Prayer after Communion
Benediction
Prayer for Peace
Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude Tiento de batalla, 5th tone J. Cabanilles

Stephen Bouman, *Presiding Minister* Lucy Baker, *Cantor*
Dale Hoiberg, *Assisting Ministers* Don Mead, *Organist*

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10:30 AM

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Hymn of Praise

sung by Cantor

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose
blood set us free to be people of God.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and
honor, blessing, and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and
join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory and might be to
God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.
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Alleluia Verse

sung by Cantor

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 15th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

✠ SAINT JOHN 15:9-17 ✠

The Gospel of the Lord.
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It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all
times and in all places give thanks and praise to you...

...with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow’r and might: sung by Cantor
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the
highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the
highest.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled...

*The presiding minister continues to thank and praise God, remembering especially the death
and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and his promise and command to celebrate this meal.*

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember...
...the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit...

...with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers... ...until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the sung by Cantor
Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever. Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
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Sit

Lamb of God

sung by Cantor

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. At the invitation of an usher, please proceed to communion by the center aisle and return via the side aisles.

Prayer for those who will not receive

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you. Amen.

Hymn

My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

My God, how wonderful thou art, thy majesty how bright!
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SENDING_____

Stand

Table Blessing

Hymn

This Joyful Eastertide

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain, But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.

Prayer after Communion

Benediction

Recessional Hymn

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Well spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

Prayer for Peace

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

Tiento de bataglia, 5th tone

J. Cabanilles

Stephen Bouman, *Presiding Minister*

Dennis Grabowski, *Assisting Minister*

Lucy Baker, *Cantor*

Don Mead, *Organist*



Introduction to the Day

This Sunday’s image of the life the risen Christ shares with us is the image of friendship. We are called to serve others as Jesus came to serve; but for John’s gospel, the image of servanthood is too hierarchical, too distant, to capture the essence of life with Christ. Friendship captures the love, the joy, the deep mutuality of the relationship into which Christ invites us. The Greeks believed that true friends are willing to die for each other. This is the mutual love of the Christian community commanded by Christ and enabled by the Spirit.



We gather for worship on this day of celebrating our God, who loves us in motherly ways. We remember the women of our national holiday. Long before boxes of chocolates, bouquets of flowers, and Hallmark cards . . .

. . . There was Ann Reeves Jarvis, who in 1868 organized “Mothers’ Friendship Day,” at which mothers gathered with former Union and Confederate soldiers to promote reconciliation.

. . . There was Julia Ward Howe, who in 1870 called for the establishment of a Mothers’ Peace Day, calling for women to gather once a year in parlors, churches, or social halls, to listen to sermons, present essays, sing hymns or pray—all in the name of promoting peace.

. . . There was Anna Jarvis, who in 1910 conceived of Mother’s Day as a way of honoring the sacrifices mothers made for their children.

. . . There was Coretta Scott King, who shortly after her husband’s murder in 1968, led a Mothers’ Day March, and declared, “I firmly believe our last and best hope for a future of brotherhood and peace, lies in the effective use of woman power. . . If American women would increase their voting turnout by ten percent, I think we would see an end to all of the budget cuts in programs benefitting women and children.”

Let us gather this day, to join the fight for the reconciliation of Ann, the peace of Julia, the sacrifice of Anna, and the activism of Coretta, to bring forth the world that Jesus dreamed of, worked for, and died for.

Easter Celebration

The joy of Easter continues. Our environment, still filled with flowers, fabric and fragrance, urges us to “keep the feast,” to sustain our joy and wonder at God’s great gift to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

As a physical reminder of our continuing celebration of our Lord’s Resurrection, we will **stand** for all the portions of the Service at which we would normally kneel during the Fifty Days of the Easter Season as a reminder that, because we have knelt in the shadow of the Cross and have been forgiven our sins by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we can now stand before the throne of grace as God’s dear children. After the Day of Pentecost we shall return to our normal practice of kneeling during the Service.

St. Luke Evening Tea!

St. Luke Evening Tea will meet tonight at 6:00 p.m. You’re invited! The link for “**St. Luke Evening Tea**” can be found on the website at stlukechicago.org. Click on “Evening Tea” or enter the following URL into your browser: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyFF>. See you this evening!

Bible Class

Bible Class **will** meet this Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. Get you lunch and join Pastor Bouman to discuss the lessons and Gospel for the Ascension of our Lord.

The lessons are: *Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:15-23, Saint Luke 24:44-53*

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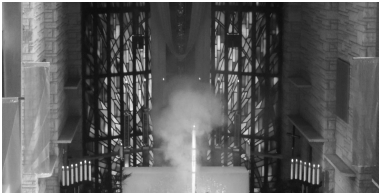
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Festival Celebrations

May 16 - The 7th Sunday of Easter
Celebrate our Lord’s triumphal return to his home in heaven on the

Feast of the Ascension

Holy Communion at 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
The Reverend Michelle Sevig (Holy Trinity Lutheran Church) will be the preaching minister.



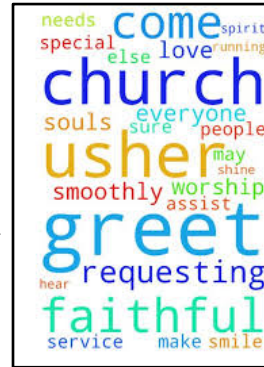
May 23 – The Day of Pentecost

The Rite of Confirmation will take place during the 10:30 a.m. service on the day of Pentecost. Please pray for the young people who will confirm their Baptismal vows.

Called to *Serve* Be an USHER!

Please consider becoming an usher for Church Services at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. This important job is easy to carry out! Simply arrive at church 30 minutes before the service and assist in checking-in worshippers, answering questions and more. No formal training is required, **just a willingness to help** with this simple, important and rewarding part of Sunday Worship.

Please contact Bob Kleisch - 312.415.0656 rkleisch@aol.com for more information.



Saint Luke Academy News

Academy 8th Grader Heading to National History Fair

All Saint Luke Academy students received great reviews at the statewide history fair. Judges remarked on one Academy student's "pithy, Hemingway-esque prose" in a paper described as "entertaining and informative without any filler materials." **Academy eighth-grader, Alan Hoffman**, is one of two students in the state who was selected to compete at the national level. His paper, "Fireside Chats: Presidential Communication," explored FDR's Fireside Chats and how they impacted his presidency and the communication styles of leaders that followed him. An accomplished musician, Alan will be attending ChiArts, The Chicago High School for the Arts in the fall.

First Annual Golf Outing

Academy Parents Association is hosting a Golf Outing on **Saturday, June 19** at 12 Noon. Meet parents, friends, and congregants at Sydney R Marovitz Golf Course (on the Lakefront) for a pre-round BBQ. Entry fee: \$50 per golfer. Format: foursomes. RSVP by May 14 to Mitch Morinec at MMorinec@gmail.com. Contact Mitch for sponsorship opportunities, too!

Registration for Fall 2021

The deadline for new families is **May 15**. Contact Donna Beck at 773-472-3837 or visit the website for information about enrolling at Saint Luke Academy this fall.

Saint Luke Academy admits students of any race, color, national, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, athletic and other school-administered programs.

A note from Dr. Marty on Bible Class...

Zoom! a couple of years ago we did not know what the word means, or how to use it. Now, it is hard to picture going about our work or play, or our coming together for learning or worship across distances without "zooming." I have one use for "zooming" today in this letter of invitation. To the point: almost as fast as we can say "zoom," try this:

When the pandemic forced us to invent alternatives for old ways, or to experiment with new ones, it was clear to us that churches and church gatherings had to reflect fresh ways. For many of us at Saint Luke and, on occasion, at its neighboring churches, the question of meeting, learning, and growing in faith became challenging and urgent. This letter is addressed to members and their relatives and friends--pass it on! -- inviting them to take part in **Bible Class**.

When the search for ways to continue and to prosper reached us, your pastor and leaders and veterans of Bible classes at our church came up with *zoomed-adult-Bible-class*. Every week at mid-morning, numbers of us, without leaving our homes, "virtually" gather as "church" to study the Bible. Usually we examine the texts for the next Sunday, but we are free to find other uses of the time to explore and reflect on God's word.

Bible Class? Is that term a turn-off? Been there? Done that? Were we graduated from Christian study after our confirmations? No, this is instead a turn-on time for **lifelong learning**. In today's culture, we read that many people are bored by the limits which the virus "plague" has brought them. But we zoomers will testify to the fact that the lessons are exciting. We gather "virtually," and Pastor Bouman or a worthy substitute, prompts us, guides us, informs us, and creatively entertains us. He often illustrates a point by telling us rewarding stories from his global experiences. In our years with this experience in the classes, we have never been embarrassed or bored or assaulted. We find instead that God's word speaks to us through "each other," and we grow in knowledge and the experience of grace.

Please come and try it out!



Looking for a way to give back?!

As part of the 2020 Strategic Plan, Saint Luke is setting up a Financial Oversight Task Force. The responsibilities of this Task Force will include re-evaluating all financial policies procedures, and oversight, paying close attention to the Annual Budgeting Process. If you are interested in becoming a member of this team or have any questions about the financial task force team please contact the church office (773.472.3383) or go to www.stlukechicago.org and fill out the application.

Caring and Sharing

During the month of May we are collecting **pasta** – spaghetti, macaroni, farfalle, linguine. These items will be distributed to families through the LakeView Pantry. Please leave your donation in the monthly collection barrel in the church lobby.

THIS WEEK

at Saint Luke Church

SUNDAY, May 9, 2021

Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class 9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.

Evening Tea 6:00 p.m. Link: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyFF>

Church

Room 102

Church

via Zoom

MONDAY- FRIDAY, May 10-14, 2021

Extended Care 7:00-8:00 a.m. & 3:30-6:30 p.m.

School in Session 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

4th floor

WEDNESDAY, May 12, 2021

Administrative Staff Meeting 9:30 a.m.

Memorial Hall

THURSDAY, May 13, 2021

Bible Class 12:00 p.m. Link: <https://bit.ly/39AbHrQ>

LLP Vision Team Meeting 6:30 p.m.

via Zoom

via Zoom

FRIDAY, May 14, 2021

Saint Luke Academy Family Game Night 6:00 p.m.

via Zoom

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD, SUNDAY, May 16, 2021

Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class/Acolyte Training 9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.

Evening Tea 6:00 p.m. Link: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyFF>

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Hot Soup Mission

Our LLP needs volunteers to cook, prepare, clean, and deliver a hot meal to a homeless encampment in Chicago. Preparations at Saint Luke 1500 W. Belmont Ave. on **Wednesday, May 19th.**

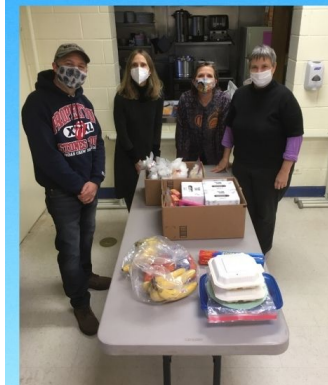
30 minute

Zoom meeting

Monday, May 10th @ 7 p.m.

Meeting ID: 871 1300 6780

Passcode: 530620



If you have any questions contact Paul at 773-841-3702 or Lisa at 773-960-5125