

St. Luke Lutheran Church  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
**Twelfth Saturday After Pentecost**

August 30, 2025 5:00 P.M.  
(in-person and e-worship)



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Jesus taught them with a parable story, saying: *“When you are invited to the Banquet at the Marriage Feast, go and sit in the lowest place so that when your host comes he may say to you: ‘Friend, go up higher, then you will be honored in the presence of all.’ . . .”*

– Luke 14:7,8, and 10

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**Welcome to worship here** at St. Luke Lutheran Church ELCA. We gather around the story of Jesus! We are glad you have joined us to worship our Lord in this Service of Word and Meal. If you are visiting, longing to be a part of a community, want to join, are searching for faith, need a good-news-shaped word, or seek healing and peace, we invite you to sign the Guest Book in the Entry Narthex, complete the goldenrod "Connections" page, give us your contact information and the opportunity to respond and welcome and get to know you. Please return to worship with us again. Read our weekly announcements on the white GPS page. If you are in need of assistance or have questions of any kind, please speak with an usher, a Staff member, a Council member or Pastor Brad Brauer, our Interim Pastor. This is Christ's Church. Here the scriptures are opened and preached. Here is Christ's Welcome Table of grace and mercy. There is a place for you here. Join us in Jesus' mission.

**In today's Scripture Readings . . .** We listen to an expanded set of wisdoms from the Old Testament book of Proverbs. We continue to listen to the author of Hebrews, chapter 13 where faith, then, meets action/ ethics. Hebrews invites us to expand our own welcoming Table ministry. Hospitality to strangers! Remembering people in prison! We continue our journey with Jesus, following Luke's Gospel structure, in which mealtime events are the focus and the occasion for an invitation to the Feast and Banquet. God graciously invites all to the banquet of life. All are welcome! Embedded in the gospel is a healing story that was preached on last week in conjunction with Luke 13:10-17. Both a woman and a man are healed on the Sabbath Day, causing great consternation to the rules-abiding Pharisees (Luke "pairs" stories.) . God, it seems, pays no attention to rules that ostracize the outcast and sinner when it comes to deeply-felt need and the condition of bondage to the satanic/ demonic. The God of Jesus is a God of gospel good news, not Law and rules. Listen today to the wonderful themes of "great reversal" in the Gospel reading. The exalted and powerful are humbled and cast down. Tax collectors and sinners are all welcome. God fills the hungry with good things . . . All these themes are present in Mary's Magnificat (Luke 1) that may be the central skeletal story-line in Luke's narrative. The story Jesus tells invites us into the "Big Theme" of Luke's gospel: Jesus comes with a graceful invitation to the most sinful and needy of persons, including us. We are accepted, forgiven, and welcomed!

**Please join us to receive HOLY COMMUNION:** At St. Luke, all Christians who desire to receive Christ's presence and blessing, in, with and under the forms of bread and wine in the Holy Communion Meal are welcome to do so, regardless of your age or denomination. If you or your children are not yet baptized into the Christian faith, please contact the pastor who would love to help you begin to receive this sacrament of grace and belonging and learn about its meanings. As Lutheran Christians, we trust and teach what Martin Luther wrote in his Small Catechism: *"These words, (given for you) and (shed for you for the forgiveness of sins) when accompanied by the physical eating and drinking, are the essential thing in the sacrament, and whoever believes these very words has what they declare and state, namely, 'forgiveness of sins, new life, and salvation.'"* By hearing these words of our Lord Jesus Christ spoken, and by receiving ordinary bread and ordinary wine (or grape juice), we believe the Holy Spirit unites us with the Jesus of the past and the Christ of faith and with each other, even those whom physical distance and health concerns separate. Jesus Christ humbles himself to become fully present in his real body and blood, given to each of us, and all of us together. This Meal is for you. All are welcome here! Friend and stranger. All are welcome at the banquet of the Savior! Come up the center aisle to the Pastor or Assisting Minister and receive the bread into your open, flat palm/ hand, go left or right and receive/or take the cup of wine/ juice from the server at Table. If you desire only a blessing, please do come and receive the sign of the Cross and a word of blessing and prayer. Cross your arms to indicate you are not communing but wish a simple blessing. Everyone, young and old, is encouraged to share in this Holy Communion Meal. These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God.

## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

## Confession and Forgiveness Rite

In the name of the Father (Creator), and of the ✝ Son (Jesus Christ our Lord), and of the Holy Spirit (the Giver of life). **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection and self-examination. (Let us hold ourselves before the Commandments of the Lord which, like a mirror exposes our idolatry, measure us up like a yard stick, and judge us (Divine gavel in the courtroom) as those totally in need of the Lord's healing touch.)*

Gracious God,  
have mercy on us. **In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The minister stands and addresses the congregation.*

May 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 for eternal life.  
**Amen.**

## Pastoral Greeting

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all:

**And also with you!**

Let our prayers and praises rise before you, O Lord, as incense rose in the Temple:

**The lifting up of our hands as our evening offering and sacrifice.**

## Gloria

ACS Setting 11



1 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!



To God be glo-ry for - ev - er! To God be glo-ry for - ev - er!



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

2 Glory to God,  
glory to God,  
glory to Christ Jesus!

3 Glory to God,  
glory to God,  
glory to the Spirit!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you resist those who are proud but give grace to those who are humble of heart. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, in all we say and do. We ask this prayer in his most holy name. **Amen.**

# WORD

## First Reading

## Proverbs 25:6-22

*Further Wise Sayings of King Solomon.*

**25** These are other proverbs of King Solomon that the officials of King Hezekiah of Judah copied.

<sup>6</sup> Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence  
or stand in the place of the great;

<sup>7</sup> for it is better to be told, 'Come up here',  
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen

<sup>8</sup> do not hastily bring into a court of law;  
for<sup>[a]</sup> what will you do in the end,  
when your neighbor puts you to shame?

<sup>9</sup> Argue your case with your neighbor directly, and build Shalom, but do not disclose another's secret;

<sup>10</sup> or else someone who hears you will bring shame upon you,  
and your ill repute will have no end.

<sup>11</sup> A word fitly spoken  
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.

<sup>12</sup> Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold  
is a wise rebuke to a listening ear.

<sup>18</sup> Like a war club, a sword, or a sharp arrow  
is one who bears false witness against a neighbor.

<sup>19</sup> Like a bad tooth or a lame foot  
is trust in a faithless person in time of trouble.

<sup>20</sup> Like vinegar on a wound<sup>[b]</sup>  
is one who sings songs to a heavy heart.

Like a moth in clothing or a worm in wood,  
sorrow gnaws at the human heart.

<sup>21</sup> If your enemies are hungry, give them bread to eat;  
and if they are thirsty, give them water to drink;

<sup>22</sup> for you will heap coals of fire on their heads,  
and the Lord will reward you.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

## Psalm 112:1-9

*The righteous are merciful and full of compassion. (Ps. 112:4)*

- <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD  
**and have great delight in God's commandments!**
- <sup>2</sup> **Their descendants will be mighty in the land;  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**
- <sup>3</sup> Wealth and riches will be in their house,  
**and their righteousness will last forever.**
- <sup>4</sup> **Light shines in the darkness for the upright;  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**
- <sup>5</sup> It is good for them to be generous in lending  
**and to manage their affairs with justice.**
- <sup>6</sup> **For they will never be shaken;  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**
- <sup>7</sup> They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;  
**their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the LORD.**
- <sup>8</sup> **Their hearts are established and will not shrink,  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**
- <sup>9</sup> They have given freely to the poor,  
and their righteousness stands fast forever;  
**they will hold up their head with honor.**

## Second Reading

## Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

*The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains suggestions for the conduct of a holy life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ.*

<sup>1</sup> Let mutual brotherly and sisterly love continue. <sup>2</sup> Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup> Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them, those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup> Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. <sup>5</sup> Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup> So we can say with confidence,

*"The Lord is my helper;  
I will not be afraid.  
What can anyone do to me?"*

<sup>7</sup> Remember your spiritual teachers and leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

<sup>15</sup> Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess God's name. <sup>16</sup> Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are sweet and pleasing to God.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

ACS Setting 11

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris' n in - deed.

## Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus observed guests jockeying for position at the table. He used the opportunity to teach his hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also made an appeal for hosts to imitate God's gracious hospitality to those in need.*

<sup>1</sup> On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them this parable.

<sup>8</sup> "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, <sup>9</sup> and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you.

<sup>11</sup> For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite only your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup> And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day W&P 23

Broken for Me

*Refrain*

Bro - ken for me, bro - ken for you;

the bod - y of Je - sus bro - ken for you.

1 He of - fered his bod - y, he poured out his soul;  
 2 Come to my ta - ble and with me dine;  
 3 This is my bod - y giv - en for you;  
 4 This is my blood . . . I shed for you;

*Refrain*

Je - sus was bro - ken that we might be whole.  
 eat of my bread . . . and drink of my wine.  
 eat it, re - mem - b'ring I died for you.  
 for your for - give - ness, mak - ing you new.

*Final refrain*

Bro - ken for me, bro - ken for you;

the bod - y of Je - sus bro - ken for you.

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## Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near. *A brief silence.*  
(Each prayer bid ends with . . . . Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**  
Response after the final petition: **Amen.**

## Peace

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace. Then the assembly is seated.*

## Offerings are Received

We are invited to give joyfully our tithes and offerings to join in God's unceasing mission to and through the Church. Place your offerings in the basket in the aisle. You may also send gifts directly to St. Luke via mail or contribute via our online giving resources on our church website

<http://stlukeabq.org/>.

You are also invited to give, in addition, to our Bucket of Change recipient and its ministry. **The Bucket of Change recipient for August is Cuidando Los Niños of Albuquerque.** Its mission: To break the cycle of homelessness for children and families by providing high-quality early childhood education, case management, supportive housing, & parent education. Website: CLNabq.org



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be-cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.



And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And



now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

*Last time*

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## **Offering Prayer**

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – **our selves, our time, our possessions, all signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of the Christ who offered himself for us, Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

## **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.*

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy  
that we should always sing of your glory,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.  
For you are the hope of the nations,  
the builder of the city that is to come.  
Your love made visible in Jesus Christ  
finds and brings home the lost,  
heals the broken,  
restores the sinner with acceptance and welcome,  
and gives dignity to the despised and outcast.

In Jesus' face your light shines out,  
flooding lives with goodness and truth, mercy and love,  
gathering into one in your Kingdom  
a divided and broken humanity.

And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their  
unending hymn:



San-to, san - to, san - to Dios de glo - ria y po - der,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,



cie - los y tie - rra pro - cla - man tu glo - ria.  
heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ben - di - to a - quel que vie - ne en el nom - bre de Dios.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

*Thanksgiving at the Table continues . . .*

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, God our Creator  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
We praise you for your world and for sending us a Savior.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

*We remember now at this table his Last Meal and Testament . . .*

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,  
that by this Holy Communion we may know  
the unity we share with all your people  
in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*The presiding ministry may introduce the Lords's Prayer*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray together 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,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

O taste and see that the Lord is good. Come to the banquet, for everything is now ready.

*The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.*

Agnus Dei

ACS Setting 11



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -  
 O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.  
 sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -  
 O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.  
 sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -  
 O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no -  
 sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -



so - tros, ten pie - dad de no - so - stros.  
 on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.



Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.  
 Grant us your peace. A - mén.

## Communion

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

## The Distribution of Communion



*You are invited to move up the center aisle and receive bread (gluten-free bread is also available) from the pastor or assistant. Go left or right. Take a cup of wine (red) or grape juice (white) from the tray held by the assistant. After receiving it, please walk back by the side aisle where you can place your empty disposable cup in the basket. All are welcome. If you desire only a blessing, please do come and stand before the Pastor or minister with crossed arms to*

*receive a blessing prayer and sign of the Cross.*

## Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, and his blessing, strengthen you, keep us all in that One True Faith, and bring us all to everlasting life. Depart from the Lord's Table in peace and joy.

**Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift and feast of life. **In your mercy, strengthen us through these means, in faith towards you and in fervent love for one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing Prayer for those who extend God's Table . . .

*Let us join together in prayer to bless our Eucharistic ministers*

Gracious God, we thank you for the gifts of this Sacrament of the Altar, a powerful reminder of your love in the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. **As we send forth our brothers and sisters to extend his table and bring the Bread of Life to those who are unable to join us, we ask that you bless their ministries. May they be instruments of your grace, bringing comfort, healing, and hope to the sick and homebound, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's Face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

May the Lord look upon you with kindness and give you peace.

**Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

## Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly CCLI

### Verse 1

It all comes down to  
this  
What you require of me  
Love my neighbor as  
myself  
And You above all  
things.

### Verse 2

It all comes down to  
this  
To be Your hands and  
feet  
Good news to all the  
world  
The truth will set us  
free

### Bridge

It's beauty for ashes  
It's mourning to  
dancing  
It's closer and closer  
The Kingdom of heaven

### Verse 3

Years from now we'll  
see  
The fruit our hands  
have sown  
Faith just like a seed  
The only way it grows

### Chorus:



Act just - ly, love

mer - cy, walk hum - bly with You, God. In all things, in  
all ways, walk hum - bly with You, God.\_

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## Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God!**

## Postlude

**Scripture readings for Thirteenth Weekend After Pentecost: September 6 & 7**  
Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1:1-21; Luke 14:25-35

### **Participating in Today's Worship**

Presider and Preacher: The Rev. Hal Nilsson

Sacristy Care: Shirley Smith

Reader: Mary Beth Garrett

Pianist: Danielle Cordova

Vocalist: TBA

Sound: Ray Prudhomme

Video Engineer: Greg Anderson

Ushers: Jean & Chris Hollowwa

Nursery Care: Precious Goodhart

Altar Flowers for Saturday: Given by Mares & Trujillo Families, in honor of Marcus' birthday  
Altar Flowers for Sunday: Given by Sandy Williams in thanksgiving Clay & Lisa Koontz's wedding anniversary

Sacristy Candle for August: Given by Daleen Olson, in loving memory of Bruce MacDonald

Pastoral Care: call the church office

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Allie Brandt, Coordinator of Multi-Generational Ministries † Pamela Franco, Media Ministry Assistant

Michelle Barba, Business Manager † Angie Miller, Church Office Manager & Ministry Assistant

*Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me?  
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God. – Psalm 42:5*

**Let us offer our prayers for the wideness of God's mercy for the whole world —**

**For the church universal, its bishops, for the newly baptized and confirmands, and for all the faithful, its ministry, and the mission of the gospel**

† Missionary Carolyn Schneider in Guyana;

† Presiding Bishop-elect Yehiel Curry, Synod Bishop Meghan Aelobouni and the work of the Rockies Synod and its ministries, for the ministries of the ELCA in Jordan and the Holy Land and for her bishops and clergy seeking peace together with the Rabbis of Israel

**For the well-being of your creation; that we may be good stewards of all your gifts and share generously with all who are in need, for an increase of peace and justice in the world,**

† Especially in Gaza and the larger Middle East and in the Ukraine and for Oksana's family in Ukraine, for safety and an end to war and terror

† Marissa & Gene, Brandon & Chris & Peter (from Nancy Espy), Janie (from Daleen Olson), Thomas Young's medical work (from Cindy Callisto), Don, safety as he travels, Mark Mooty, Elisa, Felisa, Joshua Kiniaard (16 yrs), Andy, Nancy, Rob, Dave, Sam, Andrew, Scott & Beels, Emily, Seth, Nora & Logan, Kathy, Lisa Gail & Mary, Chele, Debra, Roseann Schneider, Sofia, Michael R, Joan & Dave, Kaela, Callie Coughenour, Kurt Coughenour, Russ Glauner, Magdalena Barba & family, Jean Klinke

**For the nations and those in authority, rulers, legislators, and judges,**

† For this community; for peace and security for all peoples, for this assembly here at St. Luke Church, for our growth in faith and service for the poor, oppressed

† For the starving children and families in Gaza and in Sudan

† For August Bucket of Change recipient Cuidando Los Niños in Albuquerque

**For the sick and infirm of body, mind, and spirit, those who live with incurable diseases, AIDS, malaria, last stage cancer, and polio**

† Karin Duda, for health procedures

† For the hospitalized and recovering, especially those who will have surgery: Pastor Brad's daughter Erinn Brauer Brown and his niece Renae Brauer, Steve Azar, Daleen Olson, Myra Lynch

† For the bereaved and sad: Family & friends of Betty Jewell, Lori Erven and family at the death of her mother; family of Stephen Smith, that they might have peace, and hope and receive your Presence and promises with faith

**For the hungry and homeless on our streets and neighborhoods, for the mentally ill especially, for the lonely**

† Amy, Juvanna, and Frankie, and others we pass by unable to help them sufficiently

**For the congregation and its needs, and for its special concerns,**

† The Call Committee and the Church Council

† For our St. Luke Preschool and the children and families at the beginning of a new school year

† For Interim Pastor Brad, church committees/ministries, and staff; Pamela Franco working in Central America

† Ellen & Roland Seylar (their move to assisted living in Maryland), Forrest Blech, Sandy Bowers, Bob & Sherri Domres, Ray Prudhomme, Chrystal Vaughan, Karin Duda, Dorela Cole, Lorna Hill, Brenda Sanchez, Polly Brodbeck, Melda Burns, Leah Coughenour, Dottie Donohoe, Kay Dunbar, Lucille Few, Marie Lenard, Marv Plugge, Loretta Roe, Liz Wills (ride to church)

**For blessings of our faithful and loving Lord, we give thanks**

† Sally Meeks, welcome back to Albuquerque

**We remember the faithful departed who now are at rest and all the saints in our lives most dear to us who have lived out the faith and taught us by their great examples; we give thanks for our time with them, and, as we believe Jesus died and rose again, we look forward to uniting with them in eternal life with Jesus**

† Betty Jewell (from Cindy Callisto), Betty (Lori Erven's mother), Stephen Smith (friend of Betty Ann), Lois Rowland

**Into your mercy we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting always in your mercy and love for us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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*PrayerChain@StLukeABQ.org or contact the church office. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month.*