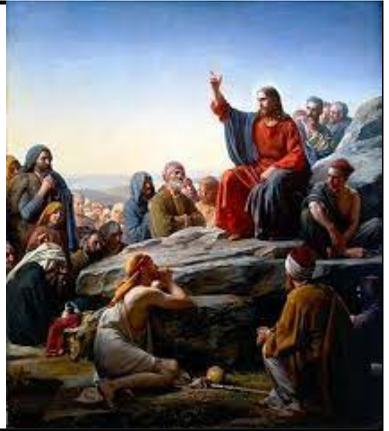


St. Luke's Episcopal Church Ada, OK



The Third Sunday of Advent
December 11th, 2022 9:00 a.m.

Prelude *A Lyric Prelude* H. Colvin

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Advent Three: Proclamation and Joy

Scripture:

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his rule and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David’s throne and over his kingdom with justice and righteousness forever and ever.”

Light two purple candles and the pink candle.

Now we light the candle of Proclamation and Joy. May our hearts be forever filled with the joy of His Coming.

Let us pray: “Father, we are filled with joy because we have hope and peace that you have sent your Son for all that believe. Help us to be the voices that proclaim grace and truth. Amen.”

Opening Hymn *#59 Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding*

Opening Acclamation Page 355 BCP (Book of Common Prayer)

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

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

The Collect for Purity Page 355 BCP

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 Lord. *Amen.*

Kyrie Eleison: Hymnal S 96 *Lord, have mercy*

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us Pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,
and rejoice with joy and singing.

The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the LORD,
the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

"Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Holy Way;
the unclean shall not travel on it,
but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray.
No lion shall be there,
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;
they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.
And the ransomed of the LORD shall return,
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

The Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 15 Page 91, BCP

The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

Luke 1:46-55

Setting in c minor by George Dyson (sung by the choir)

My soul doth magnify the Lord:
and my spirit hath rejoiced,
rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For He hath regarded:
the lowliness of His handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth:
all generations shall call me blessed.
For He that is mighty hath magnified me:
and holy is His Name.
And His mercy is on them that fear Him:
throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with His arm:
He hath scattered the proud
in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat:
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things:
and the rich He hath sent empty away.
He remembering His mercy
hath holpen His servant Israel,
as He promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed, forever.
Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

The Epistle

A Reading from the letter of James 5:7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

#72 Hark! The Glad Sound! (1-2/3-4)

The Gospel Matthew 5:2-11

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me."

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written,

'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way before you.'

"Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Tammy Wooliver

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures:
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People (*form I*) Page 383 BCP

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Poulson, our Bishop; Daniel, Bishop of Uruguay; Tammy our Priest, Bobby our Deacon, and Beverly and Robert our Iona Candidates, and the clergy and people of the diocese of Oklahoma; in Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Matthew’s, Enid and Church of the Holy Spirit, Montevideo, Uruguay; for all bishops and other ministers, and for all clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, Joe, our Governor, Kevin, our Mayor, Randy, the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation, Bill, and for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, Ada, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, and for all the blessings of this life, especially for those in our Parish Cycle of Prayer, Dustin, Christy, Will, Drew Sheppard & Addison Chapman, Derek & Aleksander Stewart, Austra, Emma, & Ella Wheat, Carson, Nao, & George Taylor, Randy & Kathy Taylor, and the Ushers of St. Luke’s.

For those celebrating Birthdays this week: Steve Boettcher and Evie Riden.

For those celebrating Anniversaries this week: Dustin & Christy Sheppard.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. The altar flowers are given by Denver and Tori Davison in memory of her sister, Diane Dillon Patterson. Pray that we have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering,

For those serving our country at home or abroad: McKinley Noel & Jon Beauchamp

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

For those who are in hospitals. (see prayer request sheet)

For those who need healing:

River Northcutt	Bill Yerby	Marie Montin	Ann Barton	Caleb Scroggins
Michael Percy	Mary Jo Smith	Mary Criswell	Tony Nemecek	Mark Walling
Mel Beauchamp	Sharon Riggs	Gera Wright	Cindy Austin	Drew Sheppard
Dewayne Cushman	Ida Maxwell			

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St. Luke's and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

The Confession

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Celebrant:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and 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:

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

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

The Announcements

Offertory

An offering of money is received. Everyone worshipping this morning is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Many support Saint Luke's through pledged offerings made via mail or online through Tithe.ly. Together our gifts make possible for us to live fully into our mission of to live in Christ, to love the World, and to serve one another.

Offertory Music: *Adante* A. Vivaldi

Doxology: Hymn #43, Verse 4

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

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Sanctus S-130

Celebrant and People:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant:

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 our of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink, do this for the remembrance of me."
Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

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

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in 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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

The Blessing

Closing Hymn #438 *Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord!*

The Dismissal

The People Respond "Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia."

Postlude *Toccata in C* J. Pachelbel

Serving Today:

Officiant: The Rev. Tammy Wooliver
Deacon: Deacon Bobby Saunkeah
Advent Reader: Michael Riden
Advent Candles: Elliot Riden
Lector: Yoli Vazquez
OT Reader: Michael Riden
Organist: Miriam Kast-White
Choir Director: Carson Taylor
Acolyte: Flossie Walling
Ushers: Shirley Mixon & Christine Pappas
Altar Guild: Marsha Church & Susan Norvell

Vestry Members:

Senior Warden: Christine Pappas
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**Youth Group
Advent Activities**

Dec. 14th-Bell Ringing
Dec. 21st-Hot chocolate,
candy canes &
the Christmas Story.

Invite your friends!

Happening this week: (Dec. 11 to Dec. 18)

Gospel for Dec. 18th

Today: Anglican Rosary Workshop 1:00 to 3:00 PM

Matthew 1:18-25

Tuesday: EFM 5:30 PM

AA Meeting 8:00 PM

Wednesday: Youth Group 5:30 PM-Bell Ringing

Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM

Choir Practice 6:30 PM

Thursday: Bridge Club 12:30 PM

Friday: AA Meeting 8:00 PM

Saturday: AA Meeting 8:00 PM

Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM

Reception for Beverly Rodgers and Robert Willis

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, December 15th: Blue Christmas Service 6:00 PM

For those struggling with the holiday season and loss

Friday, December 16th: Third Friday Holy Happy Hour 5:30-7:30 PM

Christine & Shirley's House 519 N. Crownpoint Dr.

Sunday, December 18th: Reception for Beverly Rodgers & Robert Willis

Wednesday, December 21st: Ordination for Beverly Rodgers &

Robert Willis, St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral, OKC 6:30 PM

Thursday, December 22nd: Matthew 25 4:00-5:30 PM

Saturday, December 24th: Christmas Eve Service 6:00 PM

Sunday, December 25th: Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM

It is time to order Poinsettias for the Christmas Eve Service!
Please fill out the form included in the bulletin and place in the Alms bag
or bring by the office. Forms must be turned in by Dec.21st!

Advent Schedule 2022

Compline (end of day prayers) every evening at 8:00 PM through Advent
on Facebook Live.

See Upcoming Events for other Advent Events!

St. Luke's Stewardship drive is still underway. Please prayerfully consider how you can financially support the church in the coming year. Pledges go to the General Fund to keep the lights on and the doors open. Please fill out a pledge card located in the hymnal rack and place in an envelope and place in the offering or bring it by the office. You can also schedule your pledge through Tithe-ly through the GIVING tab on the St. Luke's website.

Time and Talent

We will be having a Time and Talent fair in January for you to see all the ways you can volunteer your time and talent in the church in the coming year. We will have Time and Talent Pledge Cards at that time.

Blue Christmas Service
 for those struggling with the holiday
 season and loss

Thursday, December 15th
6:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
612 S. Broadway Ave.
Ada, Oklahoma



All are welcome!

Save the Date!

THIRD FRIDAY
 HOLY HAPPY HOUR

DECEMBER 16TH
 5:30 TO 7:30
 COME & GO

CHRISTINE & SHIRLEY'S HOUSE
 519 N. CROWNPOINT DR.



Sunday, Dec. 18th

*Reception to Celebrate
 the Ordination of
 Beverly Rodgers
 and Robert Willis*

Sign up on the bulletin board!



ORDINATION

FOR
 BEVERLY RODGERS
 &
 ROBERT WILLIS

Wednesday, December 21st
 6:30 pm
 St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral
 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

