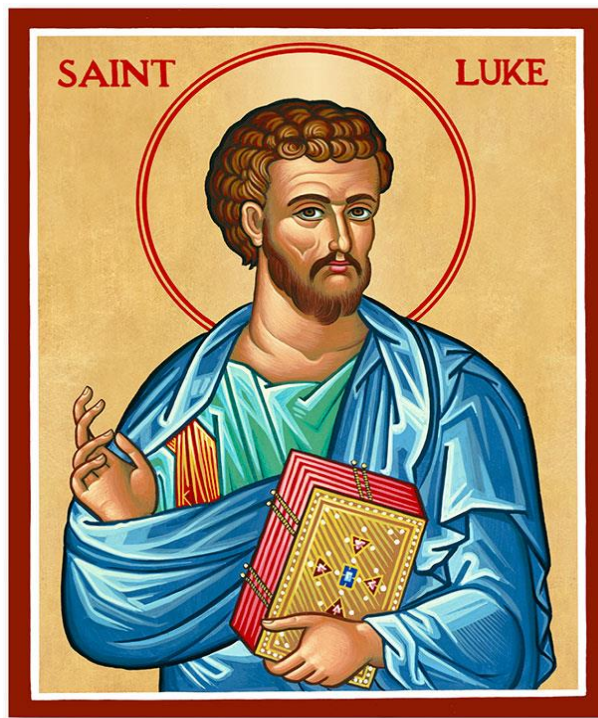


**Welcome to worship at
Holy Trinity, Terrigal**

**LUKE, EVANGELIST AND MARTYR
18th October 2020**



9.00am – Holy Eucharist

**Presiding and Preaching - Fr Mark Watson
Organist – Chris Sillince**

SAINTS

Today we celebrate Saint Luke, evangelist and martyr. Why honour the saints? We do so not to give glory to them, but to Jesus Christ. Saints are those who have been faithful in their following of Christ. Some in the Church are uncomfortable about giving any role to saints for fear of diverting attention away from Our Lord. The saints are not honoured for any inherent goodness they might have, but because they remained faithful to Jesus. St Paul said to the church in Corinth, "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ" (1 Cor. 11:1).

The saints encourage us by their faithfulness in ordinary, not necessarily heroic ways. Every Sunday we confess the faith of the Church in the Nicene Creed. We say we believe in the "communion of saint." That includes all God's "holy ones" In heaven and earth. The saints are the great cloud of witnesses cheering us on from the bleachers and encouraging us to remain faithful the way they did in their day. What's important for us today is how we live in following the saints who followed Christ. I love that line in the hymn *For all the saints* that says, "We feebly struggle, they in glory shine." They've run their race; we're still on the journey.

Today, there is a sort of puritanical ideal in many churches, a way of looking at things as clear cut, black and white. It may be convenient to divide the world and the church into saints and sinners, goodies and baddies, successes and failures and it may give us a sense of control because we know who's in and who's out, who's naughty and who's nice but it's also false and unreal and it's *unchristian*. Oscar Wilde said, "every saint has a past and every sinner has a future." He also said in his sublime poem, *Ballad of Reading Gaol*:

Ah! Happy they whose hearts can break
And peace of pardon win!
How else may man make straight his plan
And cleanse his soul from sin?
How else but through a broken heart

May Lord Christ enter in?

Being a saint doesn't mean being perfect and flawless. Many saints were quite flawed people. Jesus was the only perfect human being, but his followers are flawed make no mistake, even the best of them.

Luke, whom we celebrate today, was not flawless. God takes the broken pieces of our lives and makes us whole people. We place ourselves in the light by spending time with God in prayer and contemplation, by receiving the sacraments, by studying the scriptures, by opening ourselves to his loving gaze. Light really doesn't really *do* much other than shine. And it helps us see better. The question for us is, do our lives help others to see better?

Fr Mark

Sentence

The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ask therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.

Luke 10.2

Prayer of the Day

Gracious and loving God,
you chose Luke the evangelist
to reveal in his gospel

the mystery of your love for the poor and outcast:
unite in heart and spirit all who profess your name,
and lead all nations to seek your salvation

in Jesus Christ, your Son;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Jeremiah

Chapter 8, verse 22 to Chapter 9 verse 3

Is there no balm in Gilead?

Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of my poor people
not been restored?

O that my head were a spring of water,
and my eyes a fountain of tears,
so that I might weep day and night
for the slain of my poor people!

O that I had in the desert
a traveller's lodging-place,
that I might leave my people
and go away from them!

For they are all adulterers,
a band of traitors.

They bend their tongues like bows;

they have grown strong in the land for falsehood, and not for
truth;

for they proceed from evil to evil,
and they do not know me, says the LORD.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145.10-18

10 All creation praises you, O Lord:
and your faithful servants bless your name.

**11 They speak of the glory of your kingdom:
and tell of your great might,**

12 That the whole earth may know your mighty acts:
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

**13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:
and your dominion endures through all generations.**

14 The Lord upholds all those who stumble:
and raises up those that are bowed down.

**15 The eyes of all look to you in hope:
and you give them their food in due season;**

16 You open wide your hand:
and fill all things living with your bounteous gift.

**17 The Lord is just in all his ways:
and faithful in all his dealings.**

18 The Lord is near to all who call upon him:
to all who call upon him in truth.

**A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy
Chapter 4, verses 9-17a**

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.

At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord,
to go and bear fruit that will last.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Chapter 10, verses 1-9

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am

sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

For the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer for those suffering severe illness (adapted from *A Prayer Book for Australia*, p. 692)

Healing Spirit,

we pray for those suffering from serious diseases
and for those who are terminally ill,
and those living with the COVID-19 virus.

We pray for skill and patience for the doctors and nurses who care for them. We pray that their relatives and friends may be strengthened and comforted.

May their faith not falter as they support each other through testing times.

We pray for those engaged in research
that by your inspiration and their skill
the scourges of this generation may be overcome.

Help us to live in your way

and to seek health in body, mind and spirit. **Amen.**

Please pray for

Barb Matthews, Graeme Patterson, Ken Hope, Norm Williams, Emma Horton, Isobel Hargraves, Gail Lyndon, Jean Jackson, Marian French, Aaron Lane, Pat Lindsay, Toby Lindsay, Gloria Townsend, Margaret Willard, Carolyn Gibbs, Cathy Oaks, Pat Stokes, Jill Ross, Carmen McGee and Frank Anderson.

'Whispers of Love' Meditation

Meditation is on Monday at 10.00am at The Church of the Holy Trinity.

Reflection:

All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well.

Julian of Norwich

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

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Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship meets the second Monday of each month at 1pm in the church foyer. All women are welcome to join us for a shared time of Christian fellowship.

Samaritans

We will have our basket for food donations available for those wishing to bring items. Some suggestions are breakfast cereal, long life milk, pasta, plus sauce, soap, toothpaste, soup, sardines, baked beans, spaghetti in a tin, creamed corn and chips.

Dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club

Please join us for dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' on **Sunday 1st November from 6pm.**

If you are interested, please let us know by email to the office admin@terrigalanglican.org.au,
calling the office on 4365 1115
or asking to have your name added to the sign-up sheet upon entry to the service on Friday or Sunday.

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God,
your son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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St Luke, Evangelist and Martyr **– Sunday 18 October 2020**

- Jeremiah 8.22 – 9.3; Psalm 145.10-18;
2 Timothy 4.9-17a; Luke 10.1-9

Why do we celebrate the saints? Because they encourage us in our closer following of the Lord Jesus. Luke is traditionally thought of as a physician. He focuses more than other Gospel writers on Jesus' ministry with women, and His ministry of healing.

Luke is mentioned in other parts of the New Testament, in the rather plaintive Epistle reading for today, and other letters of Paul, as well as in his second book - Acts - where at several stages the narrative changes from *they* to *we*.

Clearly Luke was at the forefront in the early spread of the Gospel and is perhaps the only Gentile to write in the New Testament.

- We give thanks for the life and work of St Luke and pray for the continued grace and power of Christ in the ministry of healing.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council

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The Op Shop is open Tuesday to Thursday from 9.00am to 4.00pm

Fridays open from 9.00am to 10.15am and from 11:15am to 4.00pm

(Please note Friday between 10.15am-11.15am the Op Shop is CLOSED)

Saturday open from 10.00am to 1.00pm