Saint Luke, pray for us!



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"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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Do you need help?



Can you think of a time you needed

somebody's help? Maybe you asked for help with school work, or tying your shoes, or carrying something heavy. We ask for help when we know somebody else is better than we are at something—with school work, with tying our shoes, or carrying things.

Today is the great feastday of Pentecost. Today's the day we remember how our God gave His Holy

Spirit. God the Father promised He would send a helper after Jesus had left the world and gone to heaven. This helper is the Holy Spirit!

Our Helper (the Holy Spirit) is God Himself. And our Helper is better than we are at lots of things. Our Helper, the Holy Spirit, will help us when we feel kind of weak. The Holy Spirit helps us to pray and to stay strong in our faith. The Holy Spirit helps us to learn more about God. The Holy Spirit helps us remember about our Lord, Jesus Christ, so we can try to be like Him too.

We can ask for help from our Helper, the Holy Spirit. Do you know that we have a special prayer to the Holy Spirit? It starts, "Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth..." When we pray that prayer, we are asking for help from the Holy Spirit!

WORD SEARCH Can you find these words in the jumble? Bishop Body Comforter Feastday Gospel Healing Holy Spirit Luke Pentecost Soul Surgeon QKXLUZKP **Trinity** ZTNXSJMEJCZY

WHAT'S IN THE ICON?

Here is another icon of Saint Luke, the Surgeon.

If you look closely, you can see some of his medical equipment.



SAINT LUKE THE SURGEON A SAINT OF OUR TIME

When you're sick, what do you

do? Well, you might take some medicine or go to the doctor, right? You probably pray with your family, too, asking God that you'll get better.

Saint Luke was a doctor who helped people in two ways too. He was a special kind of doctor called a surgeon, and he worked long hours, helping people in their pain. Saint Luke always hung an icon in the operating room. He would light an oil lamp before he worked. He would



pray for the person and make a cross over the person's body. He knew that God was helping him do his important job.

Lots of sick people would ask for Saint Luke because he was such a good doctor. Later on, Saint Luke became a priest too, and then a

Here is Saint Luke the surgeon helping a patient.

bishop! Even as a bishop, Saint Luke still worked as a doctor too.

Saint Luke died just over 50 years ago, but we can still turn to him for help!
Many people pray to him, and you can read about so many of his miracles. He especially helps children who are sick.

We celebrate Saint Luke on Wednesday, June 11th (OC: June 24th).