

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Oct. 4th, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD)
2026

✠ Preparation ✠

Welcome and Connection Cards

Stand

Opening Hymn - Today Your Mercy Calls Us

✠ Holy Baptism ✠

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their own Baptism.

[P] In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

Holy Baptism

Confession and Absolution

[P] Our help is in the Name of the LORD,

[C] **who made heaven and earth.**

[P] If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O
LORD, who could stand?

[C] **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore
You are feared.**

[P] Since we are gathered to hear God's Word,
call upon Him in prayer and praise, and
receive the body and blood of our LORD Jesus

Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first
consider our unworthiness and confess before
God and one another that we have sinned in
thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot
free ourselves from our sinful condition.
Together as His people let us take refuge in the
infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father,
seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and
saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

[C] **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive
us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life.
Amen.**

[P] Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son
to die for you and for His sake forgives you all
your sins. As a called and ordained servant of
Christ, and by His authority, I therefore
forgive you all your sins in the Name of the
Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy
Spirit.

[C] **Amen.**

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receive the body and blood of our LORD Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

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C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

(11 a.m. only) Children between the ages of 3 years old and 5th grade are invited to meet Cathie Geske in the Gathering Space.

Introit

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!
The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever!

Kyrie

A In peace let us pray to the LORD.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the LORD.



Psal.

C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious LORD.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.
Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The LORD be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD,

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 5:1–7

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

- ⁷Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved!
⁸You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.
⁹You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.
¹⁰The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches.
¹¹It sent out its branches to the sea
and its shoots to the River.
¹²Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?
¹³The boar from the forest ravages it,
and all that move in the field feed on it.
¹⁴Turn again, O God of hosts!
Look down from heaven, and see;
have regard for this vine,
¹⁵the stock that your right hand planted,
and for the son whom you made strong for
yourself.
¹⁶They have burned it with fire; they have cut it
down;

may they perish at the rebuke of your face!
¹⁷But let your hand be on the man of your right
 hand,
 the son of man whom you have made strong for
 yourself!
¹⁸Then we shall not turn back from you;
 give us life, and we will call upon your Name!
¹⁹Restore us, O LORD God of hosts!
 Let your face shine, that we may be saved!

Epistle Reading

Philippians 3: 3b-14

- [L]** This is the Word of the LORD.
[C] Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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[C] Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



[C] These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



[C] Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33 - 46

- [P]** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,
 the twenty-first chapter.
[C] Glory to You, O LORD.
[P] This is the Gospel of the LORD.
[C] Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the
 dead.

He ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of God the
 Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the
 living and the dead.

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

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Hymn of the Day - Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

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Sermon *""Let Us Use Our Gifts" Romans 12:1-8*

Closing Hymn - Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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Prayer of the Church

Pax Domini

P The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C Amen.

The congregation now greets one another in the Name of the LORD, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

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Connection Cards

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Offering and Offertory Prayer

Benediction

P The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine on you and be
gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give
you peace.

C Amen.

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Announcements