Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, August 10, 2025 – 10:30 a.m.



Welcome!

To our guests and visitors:

We are glad that you are here with us today! If you are looking for a church home, consider joining us?

Shout To The North

Men of faith rise up and sing Of the great and glorious King. You are strong when you feel weak, In your brokenness complete. Shout to the north and the south; Sing to the east and the west Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.

Rise up, women of the truth, Stand and sing to broken hearts Who can know the healing pow'r Of our glorious King of love. Shout to the north and the south; Sing to the east and the west Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.

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We've been through fire, We've been through rain; We've been refined by the pow'r of His name. We've fallen deeper in love with You. You've burned the truth on our lips. We will Shout to the north and the south; Sing to the east and the west Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.

Rise up, church with broken wings, Fill this place with songs again Of our God who reigns on high. By His grace again we'll fly. Shout to the north and the south; Sing to the east and the west Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth. We will Shout to the north and the south; Sing to the east and the west Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.

Lord of heaven and earth, He is Lord of heaven and earth, He is Lord of heaven and earth.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my

mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!

People: I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my

fears.

Pastor: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes

refuge in Him!

People: The LORD redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take

refuge in Him will be condemned.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His

gracious forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: We now confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of

heaven and before one another, that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have given in to anxiety and have not always put our trust in God and His gracious provision for our lives. We have not always been good stewards of the many gifts that God graciously gives us and have focused on keeping things for ourselves rather than

sharing them with others.

We have missed opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around us and have not sought out the best for the people of our family circles, our neighborhoods, and our communities. We pray our God to have mercy on us, to forgive us all our sins, to lead us into lives of growing faith and increasing charity, and finally to bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: God is faithful and keeps His promises of full pardon for the sake of His

Son, Jesus Christ, granting mercy and forgiveness for those who repent and turn to Him. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \blacksquare

Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

Still

Hide me now under Your wings: Cover me within Your mighty hand. When the oceans rise and thunders roar, I will soar with You above the storm: Father, You are King over the flood, I will be still and know You are God.

Find rest, my soul, in Christ alone; Know His pow'r in quietness and trust. When the oceans rise and thunders roar, I will soar with You above the storm: Father, You are King over the flood, I will be still and know You are God.

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Old Testament Reading

Genesis 15:1-6

After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward." ² But Abram said, "Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit^[c] my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir."

- ⁴ Then the word of the Lord came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." ⁵ He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." ⁶ Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.
- P This is the word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading

Hebrews 11:1-16

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ² This is what the ancients were commended for. ³ By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible. ⁴ By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead.

⁵ By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death: "He could not be found, because God had taken him away." For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God. ⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

⁷ By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

⁸ By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. ⁹ By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

¹¹ And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. ¹² And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

¹³ All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. ¹⁴ People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

- P This is the Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Luke 12:22-34

Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. ²³ For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ²⁴ Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! ²⁵ Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? ²⁶ Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

²⁷ "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ²⁸ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰ For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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.

It Is Well

Grander earth has quaked before Moved by the sound of His voice Seas that are shaken and stirred Can be calmed and broken for my regard

Through it all through it all My eyes are on You Through it all through it all It is well Through it all through it all My eyes are on You And it is well with me

Far be it from me to not believe Even when my eyes can't see And this mountain that's in front of me Will be thrown into the midst of the sea

Through it all through it all My eyes are on You Through it all through it all It is well Through it all through it all My eyes are on You And it is well, it is well

So let go my soul and trust in Him The waves and wind still know His name

So let go my soul and trust in Him The waves and wind still know His name It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul
It is well it is well with my soul
Through it all, through it all
My eyes are on You, and it is well with me

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Sermon Do Not Be Anxious Luke 12:22-34

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Friends in Christ, I urge you all to lift up your hearts to God and pray with

me as Christ our Lord has taught us and freely promised to hear us.

God, our Father in heaven, look with mercy on us, Your needy children on earth, and grant us grace that Your holy name be hallowed by us and all the world through the pure and true teaching of Your Word and the fervent love shown forth in our lives. Graciously turn from us all false doctrine and evil living whereby Your precious name is blasphemed and profaned.

Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: May Your kingdom come to us and expand. Bring all transgressors and

those who are blinded and bound in the devil's kingdom to know Jesus Christ, Your Son, by faith that the number of Christians may be increased.

Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Strengthen us by Your Spirit according to Your will, both in life and in

death, in the midst of both good and evil things, that our own wills may be crucified daily and sacrificed to Your good and gracious will. Into Your merciful hands we commend [name(s)] and all who are in need, praying

for them at all times: Thy will be done. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Grant us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and

help us trust in You to provide for all our needs. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us so that our

hearts may be at peace and may rejoice in a good conscience before You,

and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lead us not into temptation, O Lord, but help us by Your Spirit to subdue

our flesh, to turn from the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil

with all his wiles. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: And lastly, O heavenly Father, deliver us from all evil of both body and

soul, now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We trust, O Lord, in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through

Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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 as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Words of Institution

On the night He was betrayed, He took the bread, gave thanks, and said, "Take eat, my friends, this broken bread, this is my body for forgiveness of your sin. When you eat, my friends, this meal of love, remember me and my love for you again."

On the night He was betrayed, He took the cup, gave thanks, and said, "Take drink, my friends, this cup of wine, this is my blood for forgiveness of your sin. When you drink, my friends, this cup of love, remember me and my love for you again."

Oh, we are here, to thank You Lord, for the bread and wine outpoured. For it is Your body and Your blood that You so lovingly and freely give to us. So we praise You holy Lamb of God; We love You our sweet Jesus. We love You our sweet Jesus. We love You our sweet Jesus.

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You Say

I keep fighting voices in my mind That say I'm not enough Ev'ry single lie that tells me I will never measure up Am I more than just the sum of Ev'ry high and ev'ry low Remind me once again just who I am Because I need to know

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong oh You say I am Yours And I believe oh I believe What You say of me I believe

The only thing that matters now Is ev'rything You think of me In You I find my worth In You I find my identity

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong oh You say I am Yours And I believe oh I believe What You say of me I believe

Taking all I have and now I'm laying it at Your feet You'll have ev'ry failure God You'll have ev'ry victory

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong oh You say I am Yours And I believe oh I believe What You say of me I believe

Oh I believe yes I believe What You say of me I believe

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Communion Dismissal

P: Now may this true body and blood, strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith until life everlasting.

Go in His peace.

C: Amen

Post-Communion Collect

PLet us pray.

Gracious Lord, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Lord Jesus. Grant that the bread of life and blood of Christ that has been shared and received in this blessed Meal may be for us that life-giving food that nourishes us, allays our fears, and sustains us on our earthly journeys as we seek to bring You honor and praise all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

C Amen.

Benediction

C Amen.

Majestic

Oh Lord, Our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth Oh Lord, Our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth The heavens declare Your greatness The oceans cry out to You The mountains, they bow down before You So I'll join with the earth and I'll give my praise to You

Oh Lord, Our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth Oh Lord, Our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth The heavens declare Your greatness The oceans cry out to You
The mountains, they bow down before You So I'll join with the earth and I'll sing...
The heavens declare Your greatness The oceans cry out to You
The mountains, they bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth and I'll give my praise to You

I will worship You. I will worship You. We will worship You. We will worship You.

The heavens declare Your greatness The oceans cry out to You
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The heavens declare Your greatness The oceans cry out to You
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So I'll join with the earth and I'll give my praise to You
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DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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