

We Worship our Lord
We Are Family...Empowering Mission Through Sending
9th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 10, 2025, 11:15am

Our God is a sending God because He's a loving God, and the love of God is as broad as all humanity. Therefore, the Church that confesses God is also a sending Church, engaged in the mission of Jesus throughout the earth.

PreService Music

Opening Praise Song

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

C: My soul makes its boast in the Lord, let the humble hear and be glad.

P: Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together!

C: I sought the Lord, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

P: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him!

C: The Lord redeems the life of His servants, none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

P: Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious forgiveness for the sake of Jesus.

C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and before you, my brothers and sisters, that I am sinful by nature and deed. I have not always put my trust in You and Your gracious provision for my life. I have not always been a good steward of the many gifts that You graciously give me and have

focused on keeping things for myself rather than sharing them with others. I have missed opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around me and have not sought out the best for my family, my neighborhoods, and my community. God, I pray to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, lead me into a life of growing faith and increasing charity, and finally to bring me to everlasting life, Amen.

P: God is faithful and keeps His promises of full pardon for the sake of His Son, Jesus, granting mercy and forgiveness for those who repent and turn to Him. As a called and ordained servant of Jesus and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

C: Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Together, we pray,

C: Almighty and merciful God, it's 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, Amen.

Children's Time

Genesis 15:1–6

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hebrews 11:1–16

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel and Sermon Text according to St. Matthew, Chapter 28, verses 16-20,

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Praise Song

The Sermon *We Are Family...Empowering Mission Through Sending*

P: Please rise as we confess our faith,

C: 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.

The Gathering of our Gifts and Tithes

The Prayers of His Children

P: Lord, in Your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: ...through Jesus, who taught us to pray,

C: 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.

Sending Praise Song

God's Benediction