

# *Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

## *September 26, 2021*



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**PRESERVICE MUSIC**    “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (arr. Nevue) & “Give Thanks” (arr. Hayes)

## **10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)**

*Solo Rick Behrens*

*Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship His holy name, Sing like never before,  
Oh my soul, I worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
Its time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass or whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

### **REFRAIN**

Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship His holy name, Sing like never before,  
Oh my soul, I worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
10,000 reasons for my heart to find. **REFRAIN**

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing your praise unending  
10,000 years and then forevermore. **REFRAIN**

Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship His holy name, Sing like never before,  
Oh my soul, I worship Your holy name.  
Yes, I will worship Your holy name.  
Lord, I worship Your holy name.

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## **MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

<sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

<sup>11</sup> I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. *John 10:10-11*

## **INVOCATION**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

*Psalm 104:33–34*

**P** I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

**C** I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

**P** May my meditation be pleasing to Him,

**C** for I rejoice in the LORD.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*James 5:7, 9, 12, 14, 16; Mark 9:50; Psalm 104:31, 35b*

- P** We enjoy singing praises to God, but we truly need Him to look down on us in mercy. So often we fail to follow the directives for Christian living, which we will read about in today's Epistle. So James urges, "Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed." Let us ask God for grace and mercy.

*Silence for reflection.*

- P** James writes, "Be patient . . . until the coming of the Lord. . . . Do not grumble against one another, brothers. . . . Let your 'yes' be yes and your 'no' be no. . . . Is anyone among you sick? . . . Pray over him."
- C** **We confess our impatience, our lack of love for our brothers and sisters in Christ, and our words that do not always reflect the love You have for us. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed. Heavenly Father, our only hope is in Your grace and mercy. Forgive us for Jesus' sake.**
- P** God has cured our sickness of sin by sending His Son to die in our place. He values us and calms our fears, saying, "Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
- C** **may the LORD rejoice in His works.**  
**Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!**

## HYMN OF THE MONTH - 735 HAVE NO FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK

*In verse 3 of "Have No Fear, Little Flock" we are reminded that there is good reason to praise the Lord for Jesus stooped down to become one of us and through His death and resurrection we are healed of our sin. In verse 4 we thank God for our Good Shepherd, Jesus, who stays close beside us and keeps us in His flock.*

- 1 Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock,  
For the Father has chosen To give you the Kingdom;  
Have no fear, little flock!
- 2 Have good cheer, little flock; Have good cheer, little flock,  
For the Father will keep you In His love forever;  
Have good cheer, little flock!
- 3 Praise the Lord high above; Praise the Lord high above,  
For He stoops down to heal you, Uplift and restore you;  
Praise the Lord high above!
- 4 Thankful hearts raise to God; Thankful hearts raise to God,  
For He stays close beside you, In all things works with you;  
Thankful hearts raise to God!

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## SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. Everlasting Father, source of every blessing, mercifully direct and govern us by Your Holy Spirit
- C** **that we may complete the works You have prepared for us to do;**
- P** through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29*

<sup>4</sup>Now the rabble that was among [the children of Israel] had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, “Oh that we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup>We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. <sup>6</sup>But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at. . . .” <sup>10</sup>Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. <sup>11</sup>Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? <sup>12</sup>Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,’ to the land that you swore to give their fathers? <sup>13</sup>Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, ‘Give us meat, that we may eat.’ <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness.” <sup>16</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you. . . .” <sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it. <sup>26</sup>Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” <sup>28</sup>And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

*James 5:1–20*

<sup>13</sup>Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup>Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit. <sup>19</sup>My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, <sup>20</sup>let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 9:38–50*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>John said to [Jesus], “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” <sup>39</sup>But Jesus said, “Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup>For the one who is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward. <sup>42</sup>“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>And if your hand causes

you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>46</sup>And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' <sup>49</sup>For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### A CHRISTIAN'S DAILY PRAYER

As morning dawns and day awakes, to You I bring my need  
O gracious God, my source of strength, in You I live and breathe  
Each hour is Yours by wisdom planned  
Each deed empower'd by sovereign hands  
Renew my spirit, help me stand; be glorified today.

As day unfolds I seek Your will in all of life's demands  
And though the tempter tries me still, I cling to Your commands  
Let every effort of my life display the matchless worth of Christ  
Make me a living sacrifice; be glorified, today.

As sun gives way to darkest night Your Spirit still is here  
And though my strength fades like the light, new mercies will appear  
I rest in You, abide with me until our trials and suffering  
Give way to final victory; be glorified today.

I rest in You, abide with me until our trials and suffering  
Give way to final victory; be glorified today,  
Be glorified, I pray.

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**SERMON** "To Be Held Accountable" James 5:13-20

**CREED** Early Service – Apostles' Creed Late Service – Nicene Creed  
*(Creed can be found in the back of the hymnal and on the screens)*

## NEW MEMBER WELCOME

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*After each petition, please respond with the following:*

**P** Lord, in your mercy,

**G** hear our prayer.

*At the end of the prayer:*

**G** Amen.

***Early service please continue with the Lord's Prayer & Benediction***

## + SACRAMENT +

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### SANCTUS

LSB 208

**C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### LORD'S PRAYER

### PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

### AGNUS DEI

LSB 210

**C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.  
2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*For guests and visitors, we invite you to please read our statement  
regarding the Lord's Supper on the inside cover of your bulletin.*

## + DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

## 626 COME LET US EAT

- 1 *Worship Team - Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,*  
Congregation - Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.  
*Worship Team - Our Lord's body let us take together,*  
Congregation - Our Lord's body let us take together.
- 2 *Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,*  
Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.  
*Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,*  
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.
- 3 *In...His presence now we meet and rest,*  
In...His presence now we meet and rest.  
*In the presence of our Lord we gather,*  
In the presence of our Lord we gather.
- 4 *Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty Word,*  
Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty Word.  
*Jesus risen will bring in the Kingdom,*  
Jesus risen will bring in the Kingdom.

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## I COME TO THE CROSS

I come to the cross, seeking mercy and grace,  
I come to the cross where You died in my place.  
Out of my weakness and into Your strength,  
Humbly I come to the cross

Your arms are open, You call me by name.  
You welcome this child that was lost.  
You paid the price for my guilt and my shame,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come,

Jesus, I come to the cross. **REPEAT ALL**  
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## WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

What a friend we have in Jesus , all our sins and griefs to bear;  
What a privilege to carry, ev'rything to God in prayer;  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry, ev'rything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged, take it to the Lord in prayer;  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrow share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness, take it to the Lord in prayer.

## BRIDGE

Oh, what a friend we've found; what a friend we've found; what a friend we've found in You;  
Oh, what a friend we've found; what a friend we've found; what a friend we've found in You.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge - take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there. **BRIDGE 2X**

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## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- P** Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament,
- C** **and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You;**
- P** through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

## 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.**

## CORNERSTONE

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly trust in Jesus name. **2X**

## CHORUS

Christ alone; Cornerstone  
Weak made strong; in the Savior's love.  
Through the storm, He is Lord.  
Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace.  
In every high and stormy gale,  
My anchor holds within the veil.  
My anchor holds within the veil. **CHORUS 2X**

When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne. **CHORUS 2X**

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## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE “Days of Elijah” (Robin Mark)

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# Congregation at Prayer and Devotions for the Week

**Invocation** In the name of the Father, and of the Son ✠, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Introit** (found on front page)

**Catechism Review** (found on front page)

**Meditation:** Portals of Prayer, [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions), Other

## ***Daily Scripture Readings***

Sunday: Malachi 2:1-3:5; Matthew 4:1-11  
Monday: Malachi 3:6-4:6; Matthew 4:12-25  
Tuesday: Deuteronomy 1:1-18; Matthew 5:1-20  
Wednesday: Deuteronomy 1:19-36; Matthew 5:21-48  
Thursday: Deuteronomy 1:37-2:15; Matthew 6:1-15  
Friday: Deuteronomy 2:16-37; Matthew 6:16-34  
Saturday: Deuteronomy 3:1-29; Matthew 7:1-12

## ***In Our Prayers This Week (as of Thursday morning)***

Nichole, hospitalized with Covid	Carrie, healing from a stroke
Steve, hospitalized with Covid	Linda, brain cancer
Larry, heart issues	Mary, Jan's sister-in-law, cancer
Del, health issues	Voss, infant recovering from an accident
Jack, ongoing health issues	Elgart, cancer
Chris, ongoing health issues	Lauren's mother
Mehria in the Middle East, safety	Shirley, health issues
Blake	The children in the sledding accident
Al, health issues	Berklee
Jim, cancer	Jim, Parkinson's
Tom, cancer	Steve, Guillain-Barre Syndrome
Tony, hospice	Duane, cancer
Jerry, health issues	Kim, health issues
June, health issues	Nancy, health issues
Wes, health issues	Flood victims
Shawn, surgery	
Sidney, granddaughter of Steinke's with medical issues	
For those in nursing homes, medical professionals, and those whose employment is in question.	
For peace and humility to dwell in the hearts of the people of our world.	
Christians and all people living in terror in the Middle East and throughout the world.	

**Our Savior Families:** Brittni, Marc, Scott & Family, Ryan & Family, Blaine & Family

**Hymn of the Week** "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" LSB 915

**Collect** (found on front page)

**Apostles' Creed, Lord's Prayer, Benediction**