

# THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Saturday, September 29, 2018

5:00 PM

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## **GIVING THANKS TO GOD THROUGH WORSHIP**

**Welcome!** We hope that your time in worship will encourage and strengthen your relationship with God. We share the greatest hope through the One who loves you most – Jesus Christ! We invite all worshipers today to fill out the Fellowship Pew Pad during the offering portion of worship. You are also invited to make a prayer request on the green card, which is in the pew rack and then place the card in the offering plate or hand them to an usher. We pray God’s blessings upon you and invite you to worship with us every Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday morning at 9:00 am.

### **AS WE GATHER WE PRAY**

*Almighty God, grant that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our Baptism into the death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, may be renewed by Your Holy Spirit to live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

The paraments are green, which is the symbolic color of life in nature and so represents our spiritual life in God’s kingdom of Grace.

### **THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE (September 30 – October 6)**

**Psalm 19:1-2:** *“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.” (NIV)*

**WELCOME**

## ✠ SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING ✠

*(Lutheran Service Book, Page 260)*



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

### INVOCATION

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen.**

### OPENING VERSICLES

**Pastor:** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**People:** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.** [*Psalm 118:24*]

**Pastor:** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**People:** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.** [*Psalm 113:3*]

**Pastor:** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

**People:** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.** [*Psalm 84:10*]

**Pastor:** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

**People:** **Teach me Your paths.** [*Psalm 25:4*]

**Pastor:** Sanctify us in Your truth.

**People:** **Your Word is truth.** [*John 17:17*]

**Pastor:** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**People:** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**All:** **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.**



**HYMN OF PRAISE** *“Holy, Holy, Holy” (Verses 1 & 4) – LSB 507*

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**  
**Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;**  
**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**  
**All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.**  
**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

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

**People:** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

**OLD TESTAMENT: NUMBERS 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29**

The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost – also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!”

Moses heard the people of every family wailing at the entrance to their tents. The LORD became exceedingly angry, and Moses was troubled. He asked the LORD, “Why have you brought this trouble on your servant? What have I done to displease you that you put the burden of all these people on me? Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth? Why do you tell me to carry them in my arms, as a nurse carries an infant, to the land you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where can I get meat for all these people? They keep wailing to me, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I cannot

carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me. If this is how you are going to treat me, please go ahead and kill me – if I have found favor in your eyes – and do not let me face my own ruin.”

The LORD said to Moses: “Bring me seventy of Israel’s elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you.

So Moses went out and told the people what the LORD had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied – but did not do so again.

However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. A young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.”

Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses’ aide since youth, spoke up and said, “Moses, my lord, stop them!”

But Moses replied, “Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD’s people were prophets and that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!” *(NIV)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.** *(Responses are spoken)*

## **NEW TESTAMENT: JAMES 5:13-20**

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the

error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.  
(NIV)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The  
Word  
of God

*Please rise*

*"Seek Ye First" – LSB 712*

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you! Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Man does not live by bread alone, But by ev'ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia!**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL: MARK 9:38-50**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

"Teacher," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us."

"Do not stop him," Jesus said. "For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, for whoever is not against us is for us. Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.

"If anyone causes one of these little ones – those who believe in me – to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, where "the worms that eat them do not die, and the fire is not quenched.'

Everyone will be salted with fire.

“Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves, and be at peace with each other.” (NIV)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

## **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.**

*Please be seated*

**HYMN** *“O Jesus, King Most Wonderful” – LSB 554*

## **THE SERMON**

**Psalm 19:1-2:** *“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.” (NIV)*

*Please rise*

## **GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND**

*“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” – LSB 805*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*O God, hear the prayers and petitions of Your people. We do not make requests of You because we are righteous, but because of Your great mercy (Daniel 9:18).*

## SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS: THE OFFERING *(Please be seated)*

*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. – Ephesians 1:3*

Because we value your presence in worship and desire to serve you as best as we can, please use this time to complete the Fellowship Pew Pad and pass it to your neighbor. Prayer requests may be made by filling out the green card in the pew rack in front of you and placing it in the offering plate.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

### PRAYER *(Please rise)*

Pastor: We pray together,

**People: Almighty God, give us times of refreshment and peace in the course of this busy life. Grant that we may so use our leisure to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds that we may be opened to the goodness of Your creation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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. [Matthew 6:9-13]**

## BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God. [Psalm 103:1]**

Pastor: 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. [Numbers 6:24-26]

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN *"On What Has Now Been Sown"* – LSB 921**

## POSTLUDE