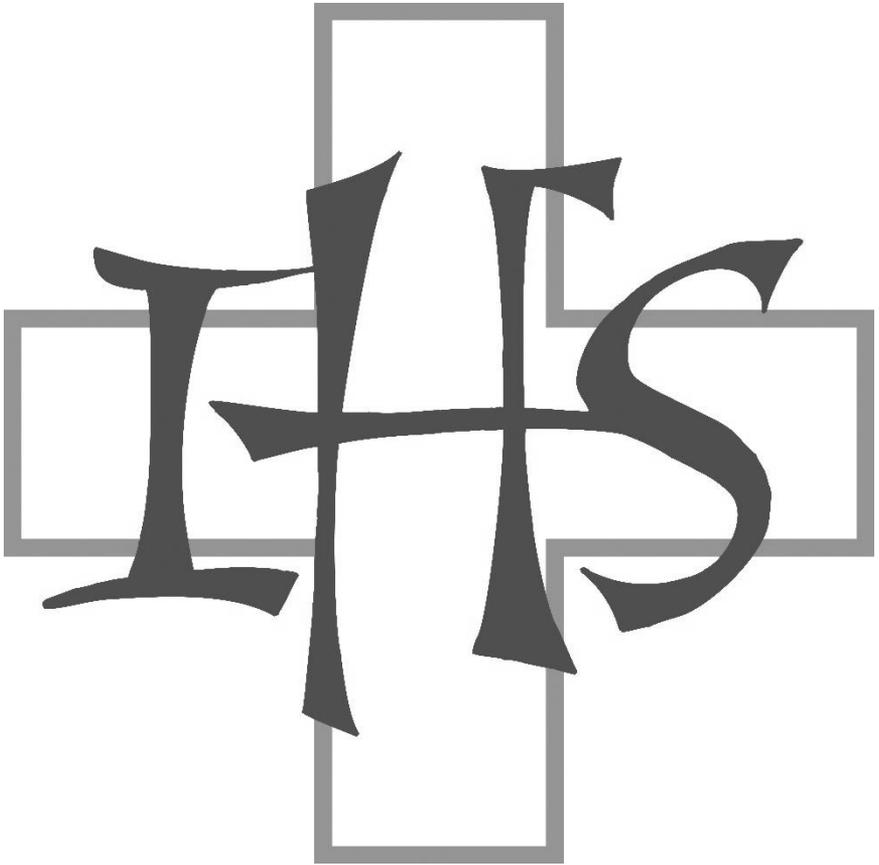


The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



Order of Worship

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Introit

Psalm 74:18–19, 21, 20a, 22a; antiphon: v. 2a

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!

Remember this, O LORD, how the enemy scoffs,
and a foolish people reviles your name.

Do not deliver the soul of your dove to the wild beasts;
do not forget the life of your poor forever.

Let not the downtrodden turn back in shame;
let the poor and needy praise your name.

Have regard for the covenant;
arise, O God, defend your cause.

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

*If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the
Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor before the service.*

Thank you.

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service

Welcome

Opening Song

I Will Dwell

Neale & Neale

Verse 1, Verse 2, Chorus, Verse 3, Chorus, Bridge x3, Chorus x2

1. You are my Shep - herd, I have all that I need;
You lead me be - side the peace - ful wat - ers to
rest in mea - dows green; 2. You re - new my
strength, guide me in the right way;
me, bring - ing com - fort and joy;
You're bring - ing all glo - ry and all hon - or
You wel - come me as a guest in - to Your house, a -
to Your match - less Name; Ev - en though I
noint - ing me with oil; Ev - en though I
walk the dark - est val - ley, I will not be
walk the dark - est val - ley, I will not be
CHORUS
a - fraid. 'Cause Your good - ness and Your mer - cy fol - low me all
a - fraid.

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13 my days, and I will dwell in Your house, and I will dwell

15 in Your house, and I will dwell in Your house for-

17 ev-er. My 3. You walk be- side- ev-er. My

21 cup is run-ning o-ver; My cup is run-ning o-ver; My

23 cup is run-ning o-ver be-cause of You; My

25 cup is run-ning o-ver; My cup is run-ning o-ver; My

27 cup is run-ning o-ver be-cause of You. My

29 cup is run-ning o-ver; My cup is run-ning o-ver; My

31 cup is run-ning o-ver be-cause of You. Your good-

33 ness and Your mer-cy fol-low me all my days, and I will dwell

35 in Your house, and I will dwell in Your house, and I will dwell

37 in_ Your house_ for - ev - er. 'Cause Your good -

40 ness and Your mer - cy fol - low me all my days, and I will dwell

42 in Your house, and I will dwell in Your house, and I will dwell

44 in_ Your house_ for - ev - er._____

Confession and Absolution

Stand

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

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

C Amen.

P Holy Lord, as we stand in your presence, we are aware of our sins of thought, word, and action.

C We have not lived our lives according to your will.

P We have failed to live up to your expectations.

C We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Hear us now, O Lord, as we confess our sins to you:

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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.**

Song

Lord Have Mercy On Us

Kendrick

Sung twice

(Sung twice)

Lord, have mer - cy on us;

Come and heal our land.

Cleanse with Your fire, heal with Your touch;

Hum - bly we bow and call up-on You now; Oh—

Lord, have mer - cy on—

us, oh us.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six lines of music. The first line is marked '(Sung twice)'. The lyrics are: 'Lord, have mer - cy on us;'. The second line is marked with a '3' above the staff and the lyrics: 'Come and heal our land.'. The third line is marked with a '5' above the staff and the lyrics: 'Cleanse with Your fire, heal with Your touch;'. The fourth line is marked with a '7' above the staff and the lyrics: 'Hum - bly we bow and call up-on You now; Oh—'. The fifth line is marked with a '9' above the staff and the lyrics: 'Lord, have mer - cy on—'. The sixth line is marked with a '11' above the staff and the lyrics: 'us, oh us.'. There are two first endings: the first ending is marked with a '1' above the staff and the second ending is marked with a '2' above the staff. The score ends with a double bar line.

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 121; antiphon: vv. 1–2

A Together, we speak Psalm 121 responsively:

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

**²My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**

³He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

**⁴Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

⁵The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

**⁶The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

⁷The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

**⁸The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.**

C **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.**

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From where does my help come?

**²My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray. O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; 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

Genesis 32:22–30

²²The same night [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

¹⁴As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

¹I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ²preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 18:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

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

¹[Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. ³And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' ⁴For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" ⁶And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? ⁸I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Nicene Creed

G **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the
Father, by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from
heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin
Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.**

►

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living
and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

Song of the Day

So I Will Trust You

Altrogge

Verse 1, Chorus 1, Verse 2, Chorus 1, Bridge x2, Chorus 2, Chorus 1

VERSE

1. Al-might-y Mak - er, Un - i - verse shap - er,
2. Lord o - ver na - tions, King of Cre - a - tion,
You put the stars in-to space heav-en and earth bow to You. Yet You de - scend-ed,
I am Your child,
You have be - friend - ed those who had hat - ed Your name,
been rec - on - ciled, with ten - der af - fec - tion You drew
just like me.
me to You.

CHORUS 1

King of Glo - ry, I know You love me, so I will trust You.

Yes, I will trust You. God al - mighty, You have saved me,

so I will trust You. Yes, I will trust in You.

1.

2., 3.

BRIDGE

How could I not trust my King, the

One who has formed me and shaped me? I will re-joice and will sing

— for the One who has made me has saved me...

CHORUS 2

King of Glo - ry,

I know You love me.

God al - mighty, You have saved me.

I will trust in You, I will trust in You. D.S.

Sermon



Prayers of the Church Family and the Lord's Prayer

- L** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

- L** Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- C** **Amen.**

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach 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.**

Benediction

- P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** **Amen.**

Song

How Great Is Your Goodness

Kerr

Chorus x2, Verse, Chorus, Verse, Chorus, Tag

CHORUS

How great is Your good - ness, stored up for those who fear -
 You; No end to the kind - ness that
 comes from You each day. We count on com - pas -
 sion in the shei - ter of Your pres - ence;
 Hid - den a - way, hid - den from harm, how great Your love,
 hid - den a - way, hid - den from harm,
 how great Your love. *Fine* A ref -

VERSE

uge so near us, You're faith -
 ful each day; We cry out,

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You hear us, safe in Your arms, *D.S. al Fine*
 — shel - tered from harm. How great is Your good -



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Resources for Meditation this Week

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

19 October 2025

Readings

Genesis 32:22–30

2 Timothy 3:14–4:5

Luke 18:1–8

Faith Clings to the Word and Promises of God and Perseveres in Prayer

“Left alone,” Jacob wrestled through the night with the Lord, *“until the breaking of the day”* (Gen. 32:24). Though *“Jacob’s hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him”* (Gen. 32:25), he would not let go until the Lord blessed him. At times, we, too, strive with God; He strives with us and blesses us by grace. So Jesus teaches us *“always to pray and not lose heart”* (Luke 18:1). Jesus speaks of *“a judge who neither feared God nor respected man”* and of a widow *“who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary’”* (Luke 18:2–3). Because of her persistence, the judge agreed to *“give her justice”* (Luke 18:5). Our Lord dispenses justice generously and swiftly, giving *“justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night”* (Luke 18:7). He does so according to the Gospel. Therefore, His ministers are to persevere faithfully in their vocation, in what they *“have learned and have firmly believed”* (2 Tim. 3:14). On the basis of *“the sacred writings”* (2 Tim. 3:15), they are to *“preach the word”* at all times and not lose heart (2 Tim. 4:2).



Readings

Revelation 14:6–7

Romans 3:19–28

Matthew 11:12–19 or John 8:31–36

The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace

“Wisdom is justified by her deeds” (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His kingdom and *“remain in the house forever”* (John 8:35). For He is *“a friend of tax collectors and sinners”* (Matt. 11:19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel *“to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people”* (Rev. 14:6), *“the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law”* (Rom. 3:21), *“that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus”* (Rom. 3:26). And by hearing the Gospel of Christ Jesus, *“whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith”* (Rom. 3:25), *“you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free”* (John 8:32).

