

Nineteenth Sunday of Pentecost

10:30am

Sunday, October 4th

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ourselves to grow in faith
and love, to serve together,
and to reach out with the
Gospel of Jesus Christ.*



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Invitational Prayer (remain standing)

Gathering Song: 'How Great Is Our God'

- 1 The splendor of the King Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice trembles at His voice

Chorus:

How great is our God Sing with me
How great is our God and all will see
How great, how great is our God

- 2 And age to age He stands and time is in His hands
Beginning and the End Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb the Lion and the Lamb **(Chorus)**

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Stand, as able

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

Invocation

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

C Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 80:7-9, 14-19

- P: ⁷Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved!
- C: ⁸**You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.**
- P: ⁹You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land.
- C: ¹⁴**Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine,**
- P: ¹⁵the stock that your right hand planted, and for the son whom you made strong for yourself.
- C: ¹⁶**They have burned it with fire; they have cut it down; may they perish at the rebuke of your face!**
- P: ¹⁷But let your hand be on the man of your right hand, the son of man whom you have made strong for yourself!
- C: ¹⁸**Then we shall not turn back from you; give us life, and we will call upon your name!**
- P: ¹⁹Restore us, O LORD God of hosts!
- C: **Let your face shine, that we may be saved!**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Exhortation

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- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

Confession of Sins

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- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of**

Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

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P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray... Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We speak together the League Pledge:

League Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

Be Seated

Opening Song: 'Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)'

1. Amazing grace how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now I'm found;
Was blind but now I see.
2. The Lord has promised good to me;
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be.
As long as life endures.

Chorus: My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace.

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home. **Chorus**
4. When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun. **Chorus**

Ending: Unending love, amazing grace.

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

First Reading ~ Old Testament Prophet

Isaiah 5:1-7

¹Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. ³And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? ⁵And

now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briars and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

Second Reading ~ New Testament Epistle

Philippians 3:4b–14

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Stand, as able

Third Reading ~ Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33–46

³³[Jesus said:] “Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went

into another country. ³⁴When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' ³⁹And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

⁴²Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?"

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

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.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited forward for a brief lesson and treat.

Sermon Song: 'In Christ Alone'

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

SERMON ~ "God Wants Fruit, Not a Résumé" (Philippians 3:12)

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

Offertory Song: 'Nothing Without You' - SOLO

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Prayer Response

Each petition ends with the following prompt from the Pastor and response from the Congregation:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.** (*After the final petition: Amen.*)

Lord's Prayer

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.**

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Remain Seated

Benedicamus

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A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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.**

Sending Song: 'You Are Worthy of My Praise'

(Leader) I will worship

(All) I will worship

(Leader) With all of my heart

(All) With all of my heart

(Leader) I will praise You

(All) I will praise You

(Leader) With all of my strength

(All) All my strength

(Leader) I will seek You

(All) I will seek You

(Leader) All of my days

(All) All of my days

(Leader) I will follow

(All) I will follow

(Leader) All of Your ways

(All) All Your ways

Chorus (All)

**I will give You all my worship. I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship. You alone are worthy of my praise**

(Leader) I will bow down

(All) I will bow down

(Leader) Hail You as king

(All) Hail You as king

(Leader) I will serve You

(All) I will serve You

(Leader) Give You everything

(All) Give You everything

(Leader) I will lift up

(All) I will lift up

(Leader) My eyes to Your throne

(All) My eyes to Your throne

(Leader) And I will trust You

(All) And I will trust You

(Leader) I will trust You alone

(All) Trust You alone

**(All) I will give You all my worship. I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship. You alone are worthy of my praise**

(Leader) I will worship

(All) I will worship

(Leader) With all of my heart

(All) With all of my heart

(Leader) I will praise You

(All) I will praise You

(Leader) With all of my strength

(All) All my strength

(Leader) I will seek You

(All) I will seek You

(Leader) All of my days

(All) All of my days

(Leader) I will follow

(All) I will follow

(Leader) All of Your ways

(All) All Your ways

**(All) I will give You all my worship. I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship. You alone are worthy of my praise**

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Sending Instructions & Dismissal

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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