

19th Sunday after Pentecost

09/29/2024

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

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

GATHERING HYMN: [ELW#465 "As the Grains of Wheat"](#)

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: [This is the Feast](#)



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Mighty God, by your power you led your people out of slavery in Egypt and raised Christ from the dead. Deliver us continually by your power from slavery to freedom and from death to life, for the glory of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

Please be seated.

PSALM 106:1-10

L ¹Hallelujah! Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good,
for God's mercy endures forever.

C ²**Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord
or proclaim in full God's praise?**

L ³Happy are those who act with justice and always do what is right.

C ⁴**Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people,
and visit me with your salvation;**

L ⁵that I may see the prosperity of your elect
and be glad with the gladness of your people,
that I may glory with your inheritance.

C ⁶**We have sinned as our forebears did; we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

L ⁷In Egypt they did not consider your marvelous works,
nor remember the abundance of your steadfast love;
they rebelled by the sea, by the Red Sea.

C ⁸**But you saved them for your name's sake, to make your power known.**

L ⁹You rebuked the Red Sea, and it dried up,
and you led them through the deep as through a desert.

C ¹⁰**You saved them from the hand of those who hated them
and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.**

EXODUS 12:1-13; 13:1-8

L A reading from Exodus: ^{12:1}The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt,
²"This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month
of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this
month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a
household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining
one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.
⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the
sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month;
then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They
shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the
houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat
it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it
raw or boiled in water but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner
organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains
until the morning you shall burn with fire. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins
girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand, and you shall eat it
hurriedly. It is the Passover of the Lord. ¹²I will pass through the land of Egypt that
night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from human to
animal, and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. ¹³The
blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I
will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

^{13:1}The Lord said to Moses, ²"Consecrate to me all the firstborn; whatever is the first
to open the womb among the Israelites, of human beings and animals, is mine."

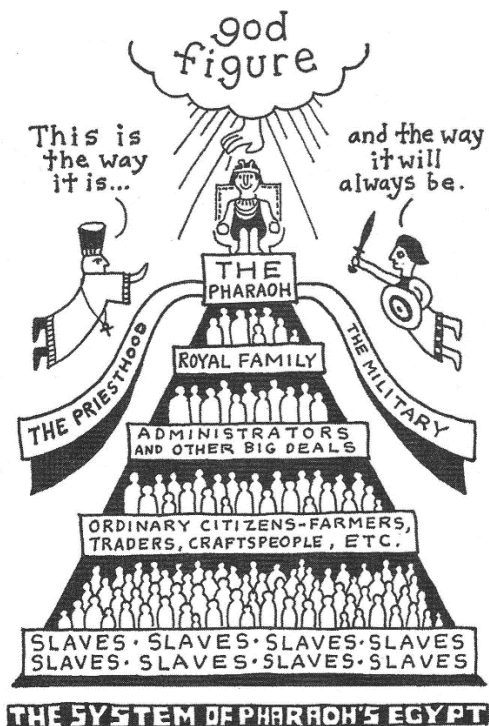
³Moses said to the people, "Remember this day on which you came out of Egypt,
out of the house of slavery, because the Lord brought you out from there by
strength of hand; no leavened bread shall be eaten. ⁴Today, in the month of Abib,

you are going out. ⁵When the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he swore to your ancestors to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, you shall keep this observance in this month. ⁶Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, and on the seventh day there shall be a festival to the Lord. ⁷Unleavened bread shall be eaten for seven days; no leavened bread shall be seen in your possession, and no leaven shall be seen among you in all your territory. ⁸You shall tell your child on that day, 'It is because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.'

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY: [ELW#552 "Blessed Be the God of Israel"](#)

SERMON: [\(Sermon Audio Link\)](#)



Please stand, as you are able.

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

L Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

L We pray for the people of God in all places. Shape our witness to the good news of Jesus that we joyfully share your transforming love with all whom we encounter. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

L We pray for the healing of the earth. Renew oceans and seas, marshes and estuaries. Uphold the work of conservationists, oceanographers, and all who care for fragile ecosystems and habitats. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

L We pray for peace and cooperation among local and global communities. Bless the efforts of community organizers, international aid workers, and all those who work for justice and peace around the world. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

L We pray for all who are in any need. To all who grieve, bring consolation; to all who are weary or lonely, bring solace. By your grace, make your presence known among

all who call to you for healing, especially Heidi Brackbill, Rebecca Brennan, Michelle Drayson, the Elshafei family, Jeff Fultz, the family and friends of Mary Goehring, Lydia Hendersen, Mark Hughes, the Johnson family, Robert Karner, Charles Larsen, Charlotte Leer, the McNamara family, Donna Mayhew, Wendy Neumann, Julie Obie, Peter Olsen, Dottie Reitz, Robert Reitz, Claudia Schober, D. J. Singer, Jack Smith, the Spiegler family, Chuck Trautwein, Esther Trautwein, and Pastor Jack. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

L We pray for caregivers: doctors and nurses, home health aides and counselors, and those who care for loved ones. Sustain them in their work and help us to build a health care system that supports all. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

L We give thanks for the saints who now rest in your eternal presence. In thanksgiving for their lives of faithful service and witness, we commend them to your loving care. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

L We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING*: ([On-Line giving Link](#))

The Offering is received and is presented at the altar.

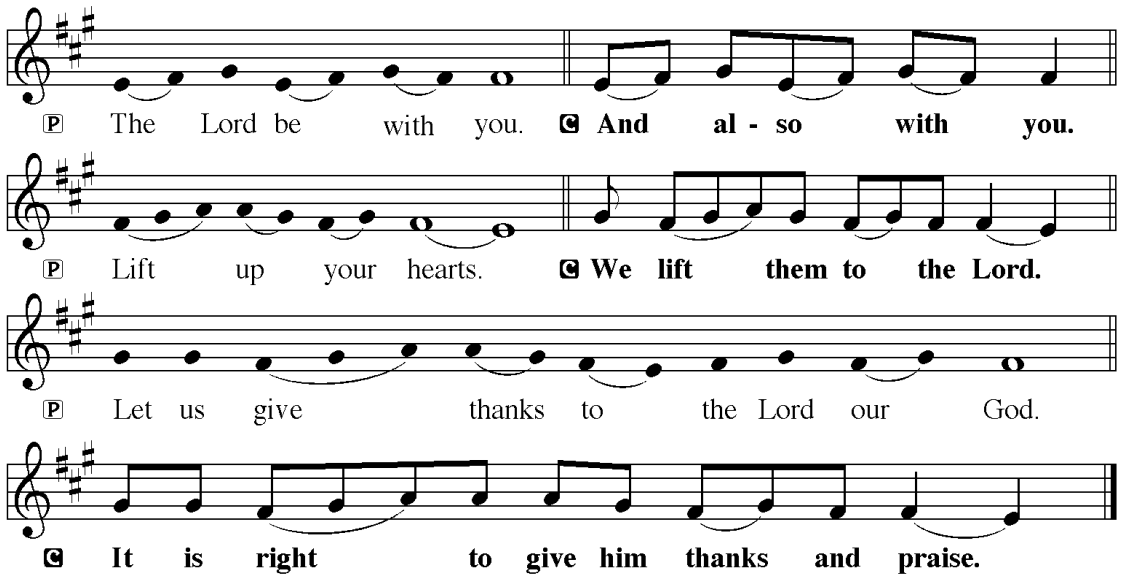
RESPONSE: ["Create in Me"](#)



C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
 it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
 not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
 joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

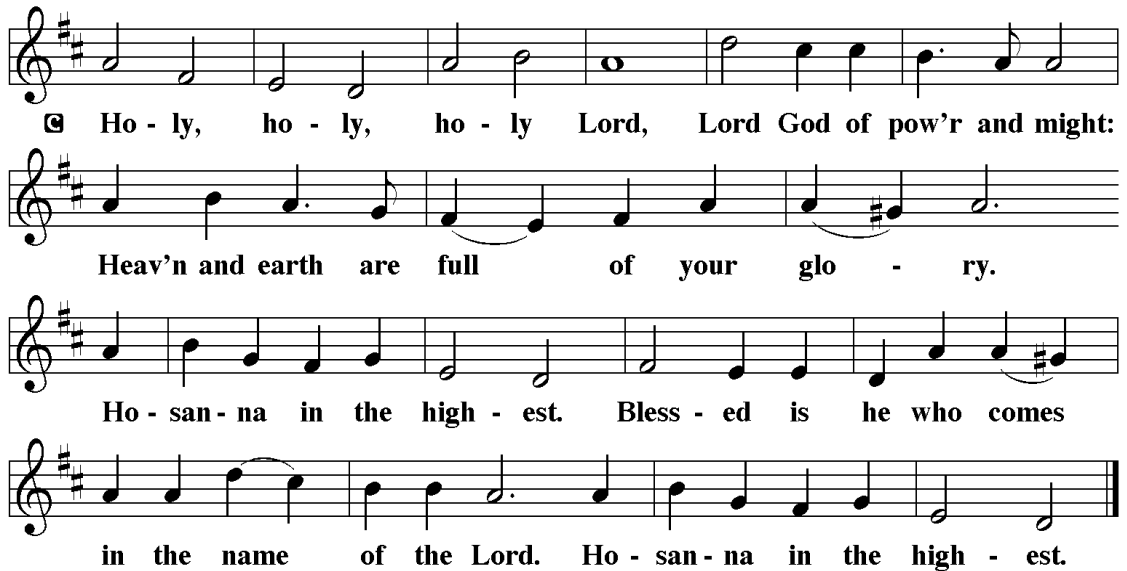
P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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.

The thanksgiving continues with the preface; the congregation responds:



♩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance. You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast. By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is

yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

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**

P The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for the table is now ready.

C Thanks be to God.

After all have communed, the following is sung:

RESPONSE: ["Lamb of God"](#)



☞ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please stand, as you are able.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

G Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.
Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.
He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

- 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 HYMN: [ELW#547 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"](#)

- P** Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

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Pronunciations

Abib – a-BEEB
Canaanites – KAY-na-nites
Hittites – HIH-tites
Amorites – AM-a-rites
Hivites – HIGH-vites
Jebusites – JEB-you-zites

Upcoming Worship Notes

Date	Preaching Texts	Worship Leader
October 6	Exodus 32:1-14	Heidi and Bob
October 13	1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10	Pastor Greg
October 20	2 Samuel 7:1-17	Ron
October 27	1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:27-30, 41-43	Monica
November 3	1 Kings 17:1-24	Heidi and Bob
November 10	Jonah 1:1-17; 3:1-10; 4:1-11	Pastor Greg
November 17	Isaiah 6:1-8	Ron
November 24	Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-28; 31:31-34	Monica
December 1	Daniel 6:6-27	Heidi and Bob
December 8	Joel 2:12-13, 28-29	Julie and Dave
December 15	Isaiah 61:1-11	Ron

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