Offertory Prayer

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Service of Holy Communion

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 God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed good, right and our duty to give thanks and praise to God for all that God has done and all that God has given to us. We know that God acts in the right ways in the right places and at the right times in our lives and in the lives of the people around us. At just the right time, God gave his only Son, Jesus Christ to live for us, to die for us and to rise for us, so we could have reconciled relationships with God and with one another. Every time, we eat this meal, we remember the Lord's death until the day when Jesus comes again.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Distribution Hymn All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly ELW #461

Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray.

C: Good and gracious God we give you thanks for refreshing our faith and our lives through this tremendous meal. Help us to live our lives as a faithful response to your goodness and empower us to share all that you have given to us with the people you have placed in our lives. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

P: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, bless you now and forever.

Closing Hymn: Sent Forth by God's Blessing ELW #541

Dismissal: P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

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Welcome! We are glad you are with us today!

"If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here. If you would like to Become a member, contact any member, or the church office."

Sunday, October 19th, 2025; 9:30 am 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: We come before our God, this morning, under the sign of our baptism in the name of God, the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

C: Merciful and loving God, we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

P: Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven!

C: Amen

Opening Hymn: My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

ELW #597

Apostolic Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Call to Worship Psalm 121

P: I lift up my eyes to the hills, from where will my help come?

C: My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

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

C: He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

P: The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

C: The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.

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

C: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray.

C: Holy One, we lift our eyes to you in hope and awe. Grant that we may reject all apathy of spirit, all impatience and anxiety, so that, with the persistence of the widow, we may lift our voice again and again to seek your justice. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

Sue Johannsen

²² The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1} In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ² proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

At Your feet we fall

Gospel Acclamation: As We Seek Your Face

As we seek Your face May we know Your heart Feel Your presence, acceptance As we seek Your face. Sov'ereign Lord
We cry holy, holy
At Your feet we fall.

Gospel Reading: Luke 18:1-8

(After the reading is announced: C: Glory to you O Lord.)

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

(After the reading; P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you O Christ.)

Children's Message

Pastor Josh Schunk

Sermon Pastor Josh Schunk

Hymn of the Day: Blessed Assurance ELW #638

Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Offering Hymn: For the Fruit of All Creation

ELW #679