



October 8, 2023

8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING MUSIC

Larry Landusky

PRELUDE

All Creatures of Our God and King
arranged by Philip Keveren

Marilyn Arland
and Larry Landusky

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ben Hinkie

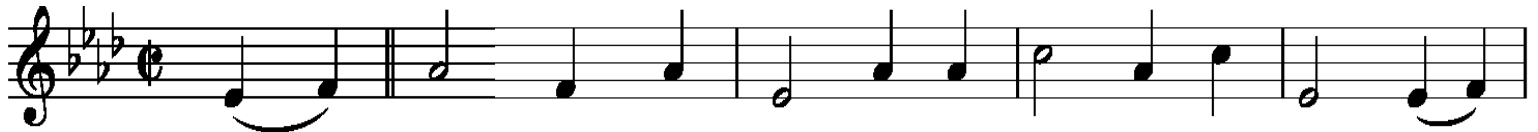
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ben Hinkie

Break open our hearts this morning to hear your word, O God.
Let our fears be vanquished, our spirits restored!
Come and let us worship with great joy!
Let us drop the things of the past which weighed us down!
God is about to do something new in our lives!
Let God's will become strong in our lives. Amen.

**Please stand if it is comfortable to do so*

PROCESSIONAL HYMNThe Firm Foundation***FOUNDATION**

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord, is
2. "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed, for
3. When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie, My
4. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose I



laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent word! What more can He say than to
I am thy God, I will still give thee aid; I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and
grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply; The flame shall not hurt thee, I
will not, I will not de - sert to its foes; That soul, tho' all hell should en -



you He hath said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
cause thee to stand, up - held by My right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
on - ly de - sign thy dross to con - sume and thy gold to re - fine."
deav - or to shake, I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake!"

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***INVOCATION**

Tim Witherow, Cindy McBrayer

ANTHEM OF PRAISE

Do Not Be Afraid
by Philip Stopford

Staff Singers

CHILDREN'S TIME

Nancy Sharp

All children are invited to come forward. Following Children's Time, ages 4-5 are invited to Preschool Praise, room #102 of the Children's Wing.

EPISTLE READING

Kaye Hobgood, David Pinson

Philippians 3:4-14

⁴Even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard 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 one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

PASTORAL PRAYER

Charles Johnson

*HYMN OF PRAYER *When I Survey the Wond'rous Cross*

HAMBURG



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the Prince of glo - ry
2. For - bid it Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my
3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sor - row and love flow min - gled
4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a pres - ent far too



died, My rich - est gain I count but loss, And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
down; Did e'er such love and sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
small; Love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

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*GOSPEL READING

Kaye Hobgood, David Pinson

Matthew 21:33-46

³³ “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Then he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ ⁴¹ They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” ⁴² Jesus 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 amazing in our eyes?’ ⁴³ “Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” ⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

SPEAK, O LORD

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness.

PROCLAMATION

The Rejected and the Redeemed

Charles Johnson

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

You are invited to dedicate your life to Christ, join our faith community,
or answer a call from God to do ministry in this world by coming forward
during the hymn and share this decision with a minister.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



1. Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home!
2. We our - selves are God's own field, Fruit un - to His praise to yield;
3. For the Lord our God shall come And shall take His har - vest home;
4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come, Bring Thy fi - nal har - vest home;

All is safe - ly gath - ered in, Ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown Un - to joy or sor - row grown;
From His field shall purge a - way All that doth of - fend that day;
Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free from sor - row, free from sin;

God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied:
First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear;
Give His an - gels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast;
There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy pres - ence to a - bide;

Come to God's own tem - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.
But the fruit - ful ears to store In His gar - ner ev - er - more.
Come, with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

*THE MORNING OFFERING

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Kerry Campbell, Becky Corley

OFFERTORY

Devotion
by John Ness Beck

Second Voices

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please share the peace with those near you.

RECOGNITION OF THE MINISTRY OF BEN HINKIE

Maribeth Williams
and Callie Kostelich

Prayer of Blessing

Poem by Janet Bristow

May God's grace be upon this shawl...
warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing.

May this mantle be a safe haven...
a sacred place of security and well-being...
sustaining and embracing in good times
as well as difficult ones.

May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in *Hope* kept in *Joy*,
graced with *Peace*, and wrapped in *Love*.

Blessed Be Ben!

***CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION**

GOD BE WITH YOU

God Be With You

God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide uphold you
With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again
Till we meet till we meet, Till we meet at Jesus' feet
Till we meet till we meet, God be with you till we meet again

***PASTORAL BENEDICTION**

Charles Johnson

***POSTLUDE**

Festive Trumpet Tune
by David German

Marilyn Arland

WE ARE IN THE SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME

The name of this season comes from the word *ordinal* meaning “showing order or denoting an order of succession.” Ordinary Time is not a break from the liturgical year, but it is a time with deep meaning, a time to experience the mystery of Christ in our everyday lives.
The liturgical color for this season is green: a sign of growth and hope.

WE TAKE SERIOUSLY OUR MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer cards are available. Please place your filled out card and offerings in the box on the rear wall of the Worship Hall or place in the offering plate as it is passed during worship.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR USE.

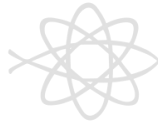
Please ask an usher for assistance as you enter the sanctuary for worship.

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We are a community of faith made up of followers of Jesus Christ who are diverse in backgrounds and perspectives but are united in our mission to love and serve God and the world God loves.



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