

✠ Ninth Sunday after Pentecost ✠

August 9–10, 2025

✠ The Office of Vespers: 5:00 pm ✠

✠ The Office of Matins: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am ✠

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Silent Prayer Before Worship

Almighty and everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve, prepare us for the coming of the Son of Man, forgiving us the things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us the good things we are not worthy to ask except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude

Announcements

Opening Hymn

“The God of Abraham Praise” *LSB 798 Stanzas 1-4*

(9:30) **Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

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Versicles

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The musical notation for the Versicles is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of a quarter rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B. The second staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of a quarter rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B. The third staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of a quarter rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B. The fourth staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of a quarter rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B.

V O Lord, o - pen my lips,
R and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.
V Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;
R make haste to help me, O Lord.

G Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.
 Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

Antiphon

L The Lord has sanc - ti - fied us in the true faith.

G O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite

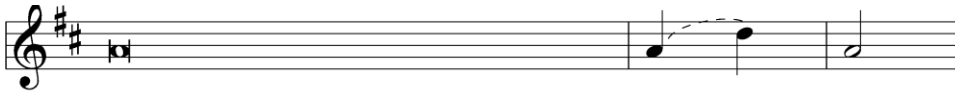
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G 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God,
 3 The sea is His, for He made it,

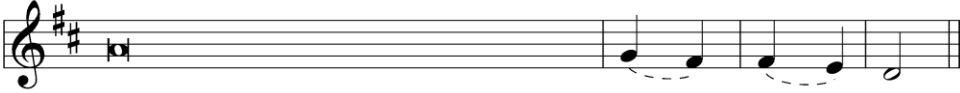
5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
 3 and His hand formed the dry land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



- 1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
- 2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
- 3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
- 4 For He is our God,
- 5 as it was in the be - - gin - ning,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
- 2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
- 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
- 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
- 5 is now, and will be for - - ev - er. A - men.

Antiphon



- L** The Lord has sanc - ti - fied us in the true faith.



- C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 33:12-22

- P** Blessèd is the nation whose God is the LORD,
C the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!
- P** The LORD looks down from heaven;
C He sees all the children of man;
- P** from where He sits enthroned He looks out
C on all the inhabitants of the earth,
- P** He who fashions the hearts of them all
C and observes all their deeds.
- P** The king is not saved by his great army;
C a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
- P** The war horse is a false hope for salvation,
C and by its great might it cannot rescue.

- P** Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him,
C **on those who hope in His steadfast love,**
P that He may deliver their soul from death
C **and keep them alive in famine.**
- P** Our soul waits for the LORD;
C **He is our help and our shield.**
- P** For our heart is glad in Him,
C **because we trust in His holy name.**
- P** Let Your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
C **even as we hope in You.**
- All** **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.

Readings

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 15:1–6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O LORD God, what will You give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “Behold, You have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” And He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then He said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” And he believed the LORD, and He counted it to him as righteousness.

- P** O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 11:1–16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him. By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household.

By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered Him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared for them a city.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 12:22–34

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] said to His disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”


P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Responsory


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Verse *To Refrain*



L 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Refrain



C Lord, I love
the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

(8:00, 11:00) **Children's Message**

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) **Hymn of the Day** *(Hymn of the Month)* **"Children of the Heavenly Father"**
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(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) **Sermon** **"Faith: Assurance and Conviction"**

Apostles' Creed

C 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.

Offering (*received during Canticle*)

Canticle

“Sing Praise to the God of Israel” *LSB 936*

(11:00) **School Faculty Commissioning, Installation and Rededication**

Prayer

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

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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.

Collect of the Day

P Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

- † Thanksgiving for the 50th wedding anniversary of Mark & Debbie Belew (Aug. 9).
- † Thanksgiving for the 30th wedding anniversary of Brent & Julie Schowe (Aug. 12).
- † Sherry Whitlock healing and recovery.
- † Gale Mohr recovering from surgery.

Concluding Collect

P Almighty God, the fount of all wisdom, by Your Holy Spirit enlighten those who teach and those who learn that, rejoicing in the knowledge of Your truth, they may worship You and serve You from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(11:00) Hymn of the Day (Hymn of the Month) “Children of the Heavenly Father” LSB 725

(11:00) Sermon

“Faith: Assurance and Conviction”

Benedicamus

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L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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P The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C A - men.

Closing Hymn

“The God of Abraham Praise” LSB 798 Stanzas 6-9

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Preacher
Liturgist
Organist

Pastor Schudde
(8:00, 11:00) **Pastor Thompson**
Kantor Gerhardt

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The Service of Holy Baptism


The Invocation

The Scripture and Holy Gospel

The Lord's Prayer

The Address to Parents and Sponsors

The Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

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- P** Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
- C** **I do renounce them.**
- P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- C** **Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**
- P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?
- C** **Yes, I believe 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.**
- P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- C** **Yes, 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.**

The Baptism

The Gift of the Candle

The candle given to the child is a visible reminder that Christians are to be the “light of the world.” Even newborn Christians are reminded that they are to grow up to let their “light shine before men that they may glorify our Father in heaven.”

The Prayer

The Welcome

- C** **We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the Body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father and an heir with us of the Kingdom of God.**

The Blessing

- C** **Amen.**

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