

✠ Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost ✠

September 26–27, 2026

5:00 p.m.; 8:00, 9:30, and 10:45 a.m.

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Silent Prayer Before Worship

O God, the Strength of all who put their trust in You, because of the weakness of our sinful nature we can do nothing to earn salvation. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You with faith and obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ Service of Prayer and Preaching ✠

(8:00, 10:45) **Prelude**

Praeludium in C Major, BuxWV 137

Dieterich Buxtehude

Announcements

Opening Hymn

“Jesus, Name of Wondrous Love” *LSB* 900

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

(8:00) **Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

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Sponsors Katie Mueller and Drew Boothe

Invocation

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

C Amen.

Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **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 on God’s Word and self-examination.

Confession of Sins and Absolution

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P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal**

punishment. 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 you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

John 20:19–23

C Amen.

Opening Versicles

LSB 260

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalms 118:24

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Psalms 113:3

P Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Psalms 84:10

P Make me to know Your ways, O Lord,

C Teach me Your paths.

Psalms 25:4

P Sanctify us in Your truth.

C Your Word is truth.

John 17:17

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Psalms 113:3

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

Psalms 113:3

Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261

Refrain



C The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that

day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up-on His name,
make known His deeds a-mong the peo-ples, pro -
claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."
Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done
glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the
earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -
hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the
Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.
Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32

The word of the LORD came to me: “What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Behold, all souls are Mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is Mine: the soul who sins shall die. . . .

“Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is My way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are My ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 25:1–10

- P** To You, O Lord,
C **I lift up my soul.**
- P** O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame;
C **let not my enemies exult over me.**
- P** Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame;
C **they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**
- P** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord;
C **teach me Your paths.**
- P** Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation;
C **for You I wait all the day long.**
- P** Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love,
C **for they have been from of old.**
- P** Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
C **according to Your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of Your goodness, O Lord!**
- P** Good and upright is the Lord;
C **therefore He instructs sinners in the way.**
- P** He leads the humble in what is right,
C **and teaches the humble His way.**
- P** All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,
C **for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.**
- C** **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.**

Epistle Reading

Philippians 2:1–18

If there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Catechism – The Ten Commandments

P *What is the Seventh Commandment?*

C **You shall not steal.**

P *What does this mean?*

C **We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.**

P *What is the Eighth Commandment?*

C **You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**

P *What does this mean?*

C **We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.**

P *What is the Ninth Commandment?*

C **You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**

P *What does this mean?*

C **We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.**

Apostles' Creed

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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.**

(10:45) Children's Message

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) Hymn of the Day

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" *LSB 655*

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) Sermon

"Rooted to Be of the Same Mind" *Philippians 2:1–18*

(9:30) **Offertory**

“Create in Me” LSB 956

At the 9:30am service, the offerings will be collected at a stand at the back of the church in the narthex. The ushers will process the offerings forward as the Offertory is sung.



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 Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

(5:00, 8:00, 10:45) **Offering Hymn**

(Hymn of the Month) **“My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker”**

LSB 820

Prayer of the Church

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- † Celebration of the wedding of Julia Scott and Blake Browning (Sept. 26).
- † Thanksgiving for the 20th wedding anniversary of Luke and Elizabeth Niedringhaus (Sept. 30).

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

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 God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Collect for Divine Guidance

P Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Your most gracious favor, and further us with Your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in You we may glorify Your holy name and finally, by Your mercy, obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benedicamus and Blessing

P Let us bless the Lord.

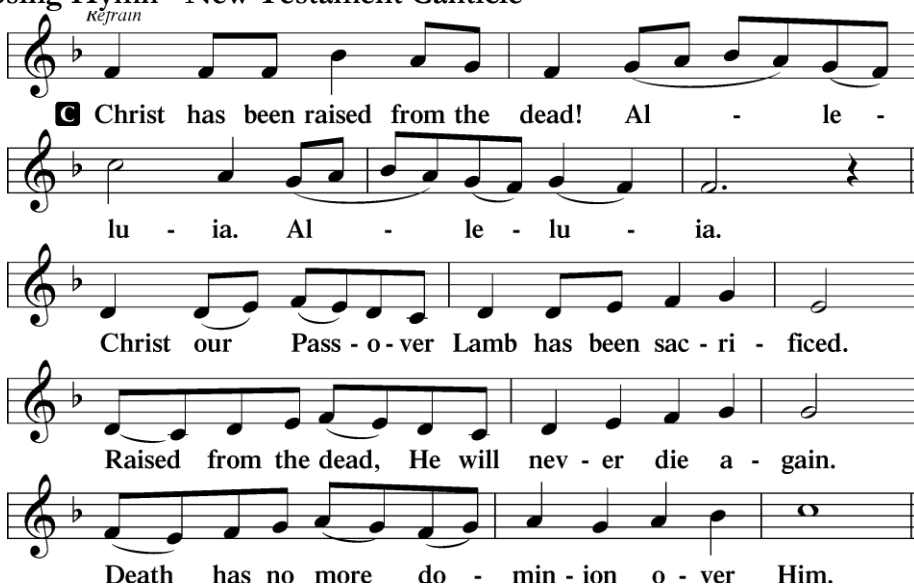
C Thanks be to God.

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn - New Testament Canticle

Refrain



C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.
Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.
Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Silent Prayer

(8:00, 10:45) **Postlude**

“Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren”

Michael Praetorius

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Preacher

Liturgist

Assisting Seminarians

Pastor Wade

(10:45) **Rev. Craig Muehler**

(5:00) **Paul Blessing**

(8:00) **Noah Bauer**

(9:30) **Rob Laird**

(10:45) **Max Johnston**

Organist

Kantor Stoppenhagen, 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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