# ☐ Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost ☐ October 11–12, 2025

廿 The Office of Vespers: 5:00 pm 廿

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

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# + + + Silent Prayer Before Worship

O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Teach us to forgive one another and to do what You have commanded, and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without Your aid, grant us the help of Your grace to please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### Prelude

#### Announcements

**Opening Hymn** 

(Hymn of the Month) "O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth" LSB 834

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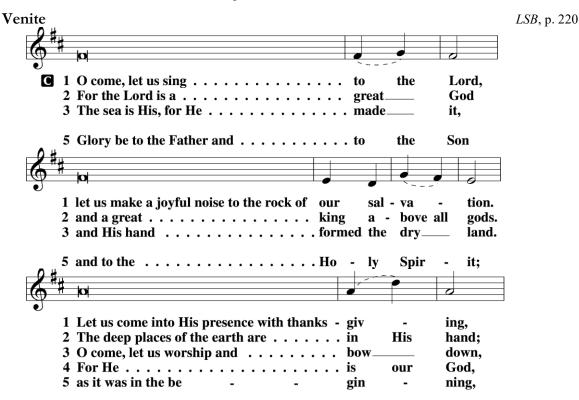
# **Psalmody**

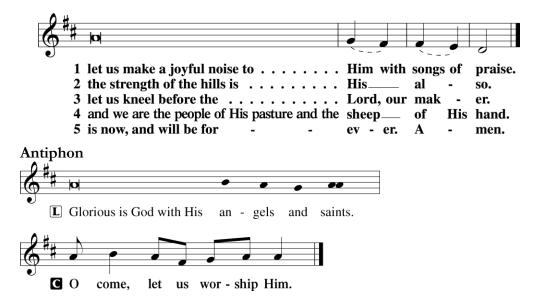






C O come, let us wor - ship Him.





Psalmody (sung by choir)

Psalm 111

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations. The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy; they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness. He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name! The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

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**

Ruth 1:1-19a

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she

had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited His people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me." Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more. So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

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

#### **Epistle Reading**

2 Timothy 2:1–13

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hardworking farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with Him, we will also live with Him;

if we endure, we will also reign with Him;

if we deny Him, He also will deny us;

if we are faithless, He remains faithful—for He cannot deny Himself.

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

#### "He That Shall Endure to the End"

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

He that shall endure to the end shall be saved.

Matthew 24:13

Luke 17:11–19

#### Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

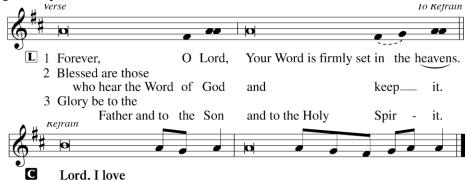
Glory to You, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as He entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Responsory

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

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

"Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old" LSB 846

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

"Think It Over"

#### **Apostles' Creed**

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,

the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

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)

(5:30, 9:30) Canticle

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" LSB 940

(8:00, 11:00) **Canticle** (sung by choir)

"Jubilate Deo"

John Ireland

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before His presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord He is God; it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and speak good of His Name. For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth from generation to generation.

Psalm 100

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### LWML Pledge (spoken together)

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

### Prayer





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

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P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

- Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; 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 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of William & Karen Frederick (Oct. 9).
- Thanksgiving for the 49th wedding anniversary of Al & Joan Koepke (Oct. 9).
- † Thanksgiving for the 33<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary of Rev. Dr. Martin & Peggy Haeger (Oct. 10).
- Celebration and thanksgiving for wedding of TD Walker & Sandra Allen, son of Jeff & Dawn Walker (Oct. 11).
- $\ \ \$  Thanksgiving for the 29<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of John & Tavia Shively (Oct. 12).

#### (Saturday) Collect for Peace

- P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### (Sunday) Collect for Grace

- O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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

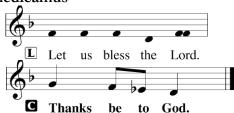
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(11:00) **Sermon** 

"Think It Over"

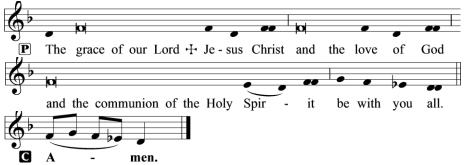
#### Benedicamus

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**Closing Hymn** 

"For All the Faithful Women" LSB 855

Stanzas 1, 9, 3, 4

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Preacher Liturgist Assisting Seminarians Pastor Wade (8:00, 11:00) Pastor Schudde (5:00) Paul Blessing, (8:00) Jordan Fasnacht, (9:30) William Jackson, (11:00) Noah Bauer

Lectors

Kim Temme, Carol Markway, Jan Dieterichs, Becky Hohenstein, Jeanne Grone, Cleta Hoover, Cathy Newman, Lesley Preston, Sherry Whitlock, Lisa McMiller

Choir Organist St. Paul's Choir Kantor Gerhardt

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