

**Apostle's Creed, Psalter Reading, and Scripture Reading  
For July 19, 2026|**

**THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,**  
Maker of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ,** his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;**  
the holy catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
and the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* Refers to the congregational body of believers, not the Roman Catholic church.

**PSALTER READING: Psalm 108**

My heart, O God, is steadfast; I will sing and make music with all my soul

**Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.**

I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples.

**For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.**

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

**Save us and help us with your right hand, that those you love may be delivered.**

God has spoken from his sanctuary; "In triumph I will parcel out Shechem and measure off the Valley of Sukkoth.

**Gilead is mine, Manasseh is mine; Ephraim is my helmet, Judah is my scepter.**

Moab is my washbasin, on Edom I toss my sandal; over Philistia I shout in triumph.”

**Who will bring me to the fortified city? Who will lead me to Edom?**

Is it not you, God, you who have rejected us and no longer go out with our armies?

**Give us aid against the enemy, for human help is worthless.**

With God we will gain the victory

**and he will trample down our enemies.**

### **SCRIPTURE READING:**

1 Corinthians 13 (NIV)

**13** If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup> It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup> Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup> It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

<sup>8</sup> Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup> but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. <sup>12</sup> For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

<sup>13</sup> And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.