NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 11, 2020

The HYMNS are from the Lutheran Service Book (Maroon Book), unless indicated otherwise. Please stand at the appropriate times.

THE ORGAN PRELUDE

THE WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN NO. 813 - "Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"
(Please stand to sing stanza 7)

THE INVOCATION AND CONFESSION

- P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- 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 for self-examination.)
- 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 only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

THE INTROIT (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

- P: I will praise the LORD as long / as I live;*
 I will sing praises to my God while I have my / being.
- C: I will greatly rejoice / in the LORD;* my soul shall exult / in my God,
- P: for He has clothed me with the garments of sal- / vation;*
 He has covered me with the robe of / righteousness,
- C: as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful / headdress,* and as a bride adorns herself / with her jewels.
- P: Glory be to the Father and / to the Son* and to the Holy / Spirit; as it was in the be-/ginning,* is now, and will be forever. / Amen.
- C: I will praise the LORD as long / as I live;*
 I will sing praises to my God while I have my / being.

THE KYRIE

- P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE - "To God Be the Glory" (See page 3)



THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen. (Be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

P: He will command His angels con-/cerning you* to guard you in / all your ways.

C: Bless the LORD, / O my soul,*
and all that is within me, bless His / holy name!

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Philippians 4:4-13

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE GOSPEL ACCOUNT: Matthew 22:1-14

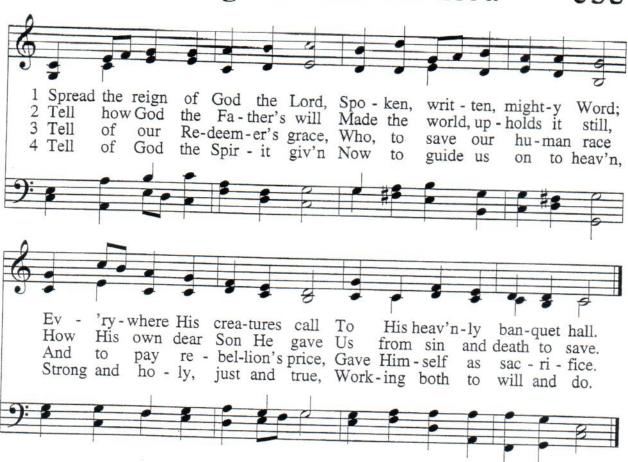
C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.



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- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field; Ripe the promise of its yield. But the reapers, oh, how few For the work there is to do!
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind, Rouse to action heart and mind; Let the gath'ring nations all See Your light and heed Your call.

Text: Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmaier, 1774–1841; tr. composite
Tune: Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch, Halle, 1704, ed. Johann A. Freylinghausen, alt.;
setting: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941

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6 At last the march shall end;
The wearied ones shall rest;
The pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest.

Refrain

△ 7 Praise Him who reigns on high,
 The Lord whom we adore:
 The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 One God forevermore.

Refrain

THE 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated after making confession of our faith)

THE SERMON HYMN NO. 830 - "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" (Please stand to sing stanza 6)

THE SERMON - "The Peace That Surpasses All Understanding."
Text: Philippians 4:4-13

(Stand)
THE OFFERTORY

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition the pastor will say "Lord, in Your mercy." Congregation to respond with "Hear our prayer."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen. (Be seated, but stand for stanza 3, the Trinitarian verse)

THE CLOSING HYMN NO. 803 - "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF THE WORSHIP SERVICE.

THOSE WHO WISH TO RECEIVE COMMUNION WILL BE ASKED TO COME FORWARD AFTER PASTOR DISMISSES THE REST OF THE CONGREGATION. IF YOU ARE LEAVING, PLEASE DO SO AS QUIETLY AS POSSIBLE.

The Presiding Minister - Rev. James A. Haugen, Jr.

The Assistant - John Smolik, Sr.

The Organist - Karen Kostelnik

The Head Usher - Steve Szucs

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Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng



Text: Edward H. Plumptre, 1821–91, alt. Tune: Arthur H. Messiter, 1834–1916; setting: Service Book and Hymnal, 1958

MARION S M and refrain

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee 803 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love! 2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re-flect Thy rays, △ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest, Hearts un-fold like flow'rs be-fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a-bove. Stars and an-gels sing a-roundThee, Cen - ter of un - bro-ken praise. Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean-depth of hap-py rest! Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a-way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow - 'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di-vine: Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day. Chant-ing bird, and flow-ing foun-tain Call us to re-joice in Thee. Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy-ful, we by grace are Thine!

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples

a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine.

of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples,

the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord God will wipe away tears
from all faces,

and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

9 It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have

waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for

me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, 2"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, 3 and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. 4Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' 5But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, 6while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. 7The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

11"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

