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The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2025

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prayer on entering church: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Consolator"

Franklin D. Ashdown

RINGING OF THE BELLS/ WELCOME

OPENING HYMN (*please rise and sing*)

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

Hymnal p. 435

**Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the fall;
Here a pure and healing fountain Flows for you, for me, for all,
In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.**

**Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within;
From infection and uncleanness, From the leprosy of sin,
Wash your robes and make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.**

**Come in sorrow and contrition, Wounded, powerless and blind;
Here the guilty, free remission, Here the troubled, peace may find.
Health this fountain will restore; They that drink shall thirst no more.**

**They that drink shall live forever; 'Tis a soul renewing flood.
God is faithful; God will never Break His covenant of blood,
Signed when our Redeemer died, Sealed when He was glorified.**

CONGREGATION GREETINGS

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross (+) may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

CONFESSION¹

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made Heaven and Earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(We take a moment of silence before the Lord as we call to mind how we have not properly loved Him, ourselves, or other people.)

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (†) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

KYRIE

Hymnal p.186

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**A: (sung) Lord, have mercy upon us;
Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Hymnal p. 187

P: Glory be to God on high,

C: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

**We praise Thee, we bless Thee,
we worship Thee, we glorify Thee,
we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

CHOIR

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven. To His feet, that tribute bring;
ransom, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praise is sing!

Hallelujah, hallelujah to the mighty King!

Father, like He tends and spares us; well our Feeble frame He knows;
in His hands, He gently bears us. Rescues us from all our foes;
hallelujah, hallelujah! Wide His mercy flows.

Angels in the height, adore Him; Ye Behold Him face to face; Saints
triumphant, bow before Him, gathered in from every race. Alleluia,
alleluia allelujah allelujah praise with us, the God of grace, hallelujah!

COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(sung)* And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray.

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: *(sung)* **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Ruth 1:1–19a

L: The first reading for the eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from chapter one of Ruth.

Widowed Ruth accompanies Naomi and moves to Bethlehem.

Following the reading...

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY

Psalm 111

L: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!

**C: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!**

L: 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.

**C: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!**

L: 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.

C: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever!

L: 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!

C: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever!

A: 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.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2:1–13

L: The second reading is from chapter two of 2 Timothy.

Paul teaches about faith and hope in Christ.

Following the reading...

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P: Alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

cf Matthew 4.4

A: (sung) Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:11–19

P: The Holy Gospel is according to St. Luke, chapter seventeen.

C: *(sung)* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus makes the unclean to be clean.

Following the reading...

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

THE APOSTLES' CREED²

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.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymnal p. 790

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,

Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning

And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen All that is needful has been

Sent by His gracious ordaining?

**Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.**

What need or grief Ever has failed of relief?

Wings of His mercy did shade you.
Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!

SERMON³

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

VOLUNTARY

Chorale Prelude on "Kingsfold"

Michael Fontana

OFFERING SONG

Hymnal p. 192

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for ourselves, the church, and the world.

Following each petition:

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

P: Almighty God, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that He may rule and direct us according to Your will, strengthen us in all our temptations, afflictions and sorrows, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth that we might continue steadfast in faith, may increase in all good works and in the end join You in Your everlasting kingdom of glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with His favor and (†) give you His peace.

C: *(sung)* **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymnal p. 528

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, The Triumph of His grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad, The honors of Thy name.**

**Jesus! The name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.**

**He breaks the pow'r of cancelled sin; He sets the pris'ner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.**

Look unto Him, ye nations; own You God, ye fallen race.
Look and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace.
See all your sins on Jesus laid; The Lamb of God was slain.
His soul was once an off'ring made For ev'ry soul of man.
To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above, The Church in earth and heav'n.

Prayer after worship: Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

John Barr

¹*The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."* John 20:22-23. We take heart that the absolution proclaimed by the pastor is as from the Lord Himself.

²*It is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.* Romans 10:10. Our response to the Word of God that has just been read is our confession of faith in the one, true, triune God.

³Martin Luther teaches us about hearing the Word: "Know, therefore, that you must be concerned not only about hearing, but also about learning and retaining it in memory, and do not think that it is optional with you or of no great importance, but that it is God's commandment, who will require of you how you have heard, learned, and honored His Word." (Large Catechism) *Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!* Luke 11:28

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