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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Order of Worship – 9:00 AM
+ Service of Holy Communion +
Divine Service, Setting Three (LSB)

**AS WE GATHER** – The last lines of today’s Gospel offer us a sober and haunting question: 
*When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?* The problem does not lie with a God who wavers in His love for us but with our own fickle hearts, our doubts and fears. Today the Lord calls us to persist in the faith and to endure the struggles and sorrows of this life with confidence that God is on our side. As we look up to the cross that adorns our sanctuary, we see there the unmistakable sign of God’s love, affection, and saving will. Therefore, we will pray with confidence and will not lose heart, for the Lord will keep His promises.

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**  “Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ” by Jeffrey Blersch

**WELCOME**
[Please fill out prayer request cards.]

[@Means please stand; †Means please be seated]

**OPENING HYMN**  *Word of God, Come Down on Earth*  LSB 545

1 Word of God, come down on earth, Living rain from
2 Eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to
3 Word that caused blind eyes to see, Speak and heal our
4 Word that speaks God’s tender love, One with God be-

heav’n descending; Touch our hearts and bring to birth
life creation, Word that came from heav’n to die,
mortal blindness; Deaf we are: our heal-er be;
yond all telling, Word that sends us from a-bove,

(continued)
Faith and hope and love un-ending, Word almighty,
Crucified for our salvation, Saving Word, the
Loose our tongues to tell Your kindness. Be our Word in
God the Spirit, with us dwelling, Word of truth, to
we reverence You; Word made flesh, we long to hear You.
world restoring, Speak to us, Your love outpouring.
pity spoken, Heal the world, by sin now broken.
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES
P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.
P Remember Your people, which You have purchased of old,
C which You have redeemed to be the people of Your heritage.
P Bless the Lord, O my soul,
C and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS
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. 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.

[Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.]
P O Almighty God, Merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto 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.
GLORIA PATRI

Glor-y be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

KYRIE

Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-
on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high; and on earth peace, good-will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav’n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al-mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive 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.

**SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

All: O Lord, Almighty and Everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE LESSON**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA**

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

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.
(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

HYMN OF THE DAY  Preach You the Word

1. Preach you the Word and plant it home
To men who

2. We know how hard, O Lord, the task
Your servant

3. The sow-er sows; his reckless love
Scatters a-

4. Though some be snatched and some be scorched
And some be

like or like it not,
The Word that shall en-
bade us un-der-take:
To preach Your Word and

broad the good-ly seed,
Intent a-lone that

choked and mat-ted flat,
The sow-er sows: his

dure and stand
When flow’rs and men shall be for-got.
never ask What pride-ful prof-it it may make.
all may have The whole-some loaves that all men need.
heart cries out, “Oh, what of that, and what of that?”

5. Of all his scattered plenteousness
One-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,
And bears a harvest hundredfold:

6. Preach you the Word and plant it home
And never fear, the Harvest Lord

Who gave the sower seed to sow
Will watch and tend His planted Word.

SERMON

"PREACH IN ANY DIRECTION!"  2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

I. It is easy in our day and age to be silent about God’s Word, to not speak up in fear of ridicule.

II. But as Paul urges Timothy in our text, God urges us to preach the saving Word of His Gospel to those around us.

NICENE CREED

I believe in One God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in One Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the
Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made Man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

“Meditation”

by Walter O’Donnell

OFFERTORY

Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God

C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re-

new a right spir-it within me. Cast me not a-

way from Thy presence, 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Lord has urged us to be persistent in prayer on behalf of ourselves and all people as they have need, and He has promised to answer, so let us pray. Almighty God, Your Son encouraged us to be diligent in prayer, and Paul called on us to pray without ceasing. Hear the prayers of Your people for the sake of Your Son, and grant Your blessing to all who come before You on bended knee. Lord, in Your mercy.

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You have promised to protect, defend, and prosper Your Church through Your Word. Give us wise and faithful pastors who will preach Your Word without constraint, and open our ears and hearts to hear and believe it. Bless us with faithful church workers, and bless those now preparing for Your service. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You hold accountable all those who govern and lead Your people. Bless,
guide, and instruct our president, Congress, governor, and all in authority that they govern according to Your will and purpose for the cause of peace among the nations, for the common good of all, for our protection against our enemies, and for the promotion of virtue and the punishment of evil. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.
P Almighty God, Your Word is the lamp to our feet and the light to our path. Bless those who gather to teach and learn Your Word, especially our Sunday School, and Bible studies, that we show ourselves wise and faithful sons and daughters who delight in Your Word and walk in Your ways. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.
P Almighty God, You carry the burdens of us all in Your Son, who was wounded for our transgressions. Deliver the sick from illness, the suffering from their pain, the troubled from their distress, and the dying from fear, [especially ...]. Give us courage and strength in our afflictions that we trust in Your promise and await Your promised healing with patience. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.
P Almighty God, You give us all things and have made us managers of Your great creation. Bless the earth that its fruitfulness supply all that we need, and bless our stewardship of the land that we not squander what You have given. Bless our hearts that we learn generosity and return to You the tithes and offerings of a grateful heart. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.
P Almighty God, You have given us a place at the Table, where Your Son gives us His body and blood to eat and to drink. Give us repentant hearts and faith to receive the gift of Christ Himself in this blessed communion. Give us unity of faith in our common confession before the world and love for one another as You have loved us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.
P Almighty God, You know our frailty and our weakness, that we do not always know how to pray or what to pray for, so grant us all things good and profitable for our salvation. Deliver from us all things harmful; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, through whom all glory, honor, and worship are Yours, Holy Father, in the unity of the Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.
At all times and in every place, it is good and right for us to bring You thanks and praise, O Lord, Holy Father, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who bids us always to trust in Your mercy and never to give up in prayer, for by His death He atoned for our sin and the sin of the whole world, and by our Baptism into that death He has brought us home to You. Therefore, with patriarchs and prophets, with apostles and evangelists, with saints and all the faithful of every time and place, we offer You the unending song of praise, joining with the angels in singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
heav’n and earth are full of Thy glo-ry. Ho-san-na,
ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He,
bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
Almighty Father, Everlasting God, Your power is displayed in everything You have made, but Your mercy is made known chiefly through Your Son, Jesus Christ. He came in our flesh and blood to suffer in our place for sin, to die the death we should have died, and to rise again to give us hope for our own joyful resurrection. Give those who come to the Table of our Lord the gift of Your Holy Spirit, so that we not think highly of ourselves, but in humble repentance acknowledge what He has accomplished and receive His body and blood with faith. Gather together from all the ends of the earth all who come to Your Table that we may be one Body in Christ and through Christ be delivered to everlasting life.

Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST
As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, O lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So, 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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.
Let us share this peace with one another.
(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

[Remain standing]

LAMB OF GOD

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Reminder: gluten free wafer (by holding up an index finger to the elder), and non-alcoholic wine (the white grape juice in the center) are also available.
The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace

1 The Gospel shows the Father's grace, Who sent His Son to save our race, Proclaims how Jesus lived and died That we might thus be justified.

2 It sets the Lamb before our eyes, Who made the atoning sacrifice, And calls the souls with guilt oppressed To come and find eternal rest.

3 It brings the Savior's righteousness To robe our Satan and the grave; It works the faith which brings release And gives the troubled conscience peace.

4 It is the power of God to save From sin and firmly clings To all the treasures which it brings.

5 It bears to all the tidings glad And bids their hearts no more be sad; The weary, burdened souls it cheers And banishes their guilty fears.

6. May we in faith its message learn Nor thanklessly its blessings spurn; May we in faith its truth confess And praise the Lord, our righteousness.

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

1 Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.

2 When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near, When my life is almost gone, And the day is almost gone,

3 When the darkness appears And the night draws near Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.

(continued)
Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

1 Eternal Spirit of the living Christ,
2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;
3 Come with the strength I lack, bring vision clear.

I know not how to ask or what to say;
Help me to see Your purpose and Your will;
Of human need; O give me eyes to see.

I only know my need, as deep as life,
Where I have failed, what I have done amiss;
Fulfillment of my life in love outpoured,

And only You can teach me how to pray.
Held in forgiving love, let me be still.
My life in You, O Christ; Your love in me.

NUNC DIMITTIS

1 Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy
POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P  O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

and His mercy endureth for ever.

O Almighty God, You have promised that as often as we pray, You will hear and answer us according to Your gracious will. Teach us to be persistent in prayer, to live in confident faith before You, and to rest our lives and our hope in Your everlasting promises; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, with whom You and the Holy Spirit live and reign, One God, both now and forevermore.

SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

P  The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Bless we the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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 favor and give you His peace.  

A-men, a-men, a-men.
1 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, Your love possessing,
joyful sound. May the fruits of Your salvation pilgrim way, Let not fear of death appall us,
Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us;
In our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful,
Glad Your summons to obey. May we ever,
O refresh us, Traveling through this wilderness. Ever faithful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ever Reign with You in endless day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" by Humphrey Turner

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