

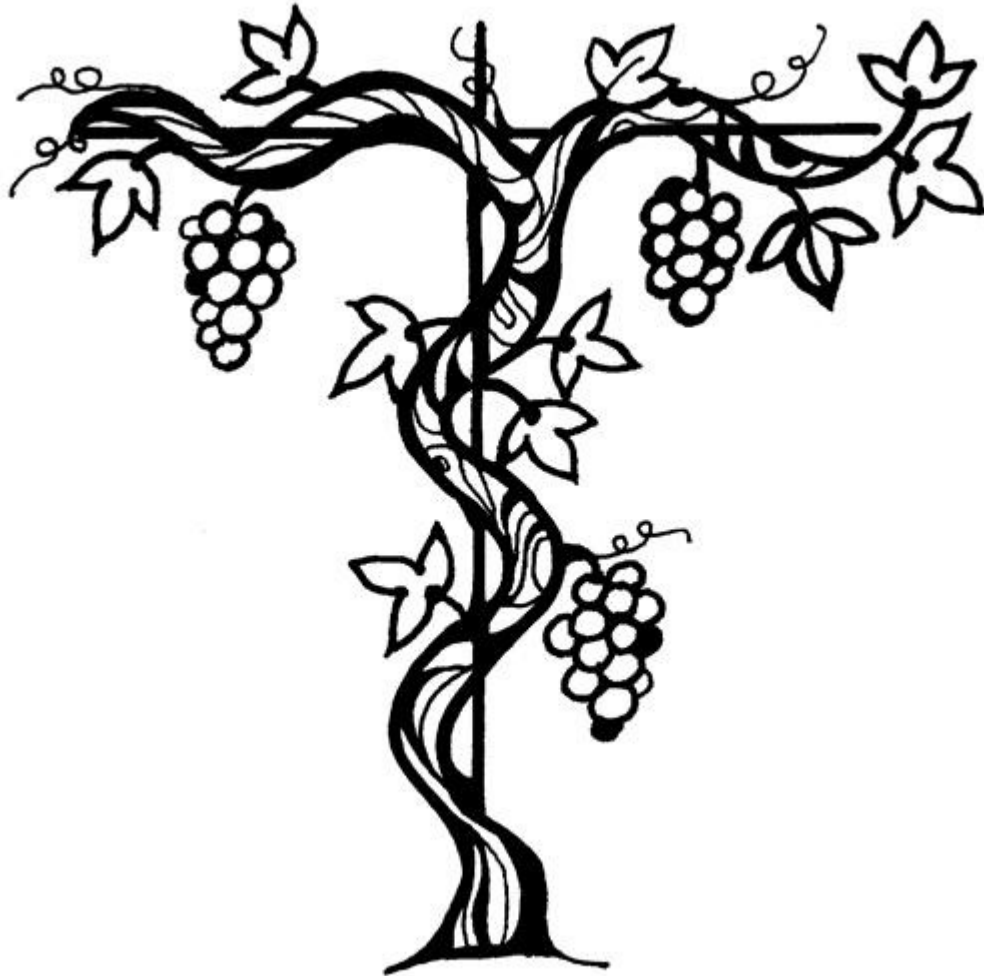
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19th Sunday After Pentecost

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

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BLESSING OF THE PETS

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: We worship this Sunday with all the creatures we love. We join the Psalmists and rejoice with all living things. We sing with the all the birds and animals that make our lives richer because of their presence.

LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

P: Let us give thanks to God for the gifts so freely bestowed upon us. For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea;

C: We thank you, Lord.

P: For the richness of the mountains, plains and rivers;

We thank you, Lord.

P: For all that is gracious in the lives of your children;

C: We thank you, Lord.

P: For all creatures that breathe, and move, and have life;

C: We thank you, Lord.

P: For the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers and trees;

C: We thank you, Lord.

P: For the trust you have shown in giving our pets into our care;

C: We thank you, Lord.

P: That each pet here may be treasured with care;

C: We thank you, Lord.

P: That we may love and honor all your works, O God;

C: We thank you, Lord.

P: May we continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment and good stewardship of your abundant creation.

C: Amen.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS: GENESIS 1:24-31

P: And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and

let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS FOR ANIMALS

P: God our Heavenly Father, you created the world to serve humanity's needs and to lead them to you. By our own fault we have lost the beautiful relationship which we once had with all your creation. Help us to see that by restoring our relationship with you we will also restore it with all your creation. Give us the grace to see all animals as gifts from you and to treat them with respect for they are your creation. We pray for all animals who are suffering as a result of our neglect. May the order you originally established be once again restored to the whole world through the merits and mediation of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you now and forever. Amen.

MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

P: O Lord, we pause and give thanks for the memories of those pets we have lost. We remember with thanksgiving the ways in which they enriched our lives. We ask you to heal any painful memories of their suffering or death, and pray for all who are mourning the loss of much loved animals at this time. Amen.

THE BLESSING PRAYER

P: Creator God, we give thanks that all creatures great and small belong to you. We praise you for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your world. We give thanks for the pets that bring us joy and that help teach us the value of unconditional love. Grant that we may be good caretakers of all our pets, that they too may know the joy of unconditional love. May our shared lives together be lived to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING OF EACH PET (INDIVIDUALLY)

P: (Pet's Name) may God continue to shine his light of love and faithfulness through you. Amen

THE CLOSING BLESSING

P: The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and the love of God and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always. Amen

At this time we will conclude the pet blessing portion of today's service and move into the sanctuary. Pets are welcome to remain with their owners for the worship service, provided they are clean, well-behaved, and comfortable in the church setting. Pet owners are encouraged to use their discretion regarding what is best for their pet.

Prelude: "Communion"- G. Young

GATHERING

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

(Stand if you are able)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C: Amen

P: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

P: Compassionate God,

C: we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ.

P: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn: ELW 832

My Lord of Light



1 My Lord of light who made the worlds, in wis - dom you have spo - ken;
2 My Lord of love who knew no sin, a sin - ner's death en - dur - ing:
3 My Lord of life who came in fire when Christ was high as - cend - ed:
4 My Lord of lords, one Trin - i - ty, to your pure name be giv - en



but those who heard your wise com-mands your ho - ly law have bro - ken.
for us you wore a crown of thorns, a crown of life se - cur - ing.
your burn - ing love is now re - leased, our days of fear are end - ed.
all glo - ry now and ev - er - more, all praise in earth and heav-en.

Text: Christopher Idle, b. 1938

Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune

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INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE-

Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .

so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
 mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on

dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
 us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.

Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
 Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .

so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -
 mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on

dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
 us; O . . . Christ, have . . mer - cy.

Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .

so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
 mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on

dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
 us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!

¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!

Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra-a-que-llos que a-ma el Se - ñor.
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra-a-que-llos que a-ma el Se - ñor.
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray,

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(Please be Seated)

First Reading- Isaiah 5:1-7

The prophet sings a sad, parable-like love song about the relationship between God and Israel. In this song Israel is compared to a promising vineyard. Despite God's loving care, the vineyard that is Israel has brought forth "rotten grapes" of injustice and distress, when fine grapes of justice and righteousness were expected.

L: A reading from the eighteenth chapter of Ezekiel.

¹ I will sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ² He dug it and cleared it of stones and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded rotten grapes.

³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield rotten grapes?

⁵ And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶ I will make it a

wasteland; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷ For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished garden; he expected justice but saw bloodshed; righteousness but heard a cry!

L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 80:7-15

L: ⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

C: ⁸ You have brought a vine out of Egypt; you cast out the nations and planted it.

L: ⁹ You cleared the ground for it; it took root and filled the land.

C: ¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shadow and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

L: ¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils to the sea and its branches to the river.

C: ¹² Why have you broken down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

L: ¹³ The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

C: ¹⁴ Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;

L: ¹⁵ behold and tend this vine; preserve what your right hand has planted.

Second Reading-Philippians 3:4b-14

Paul reviews some of his supposed credentials, which no longer have any bearing in comparison to the right relationship he has been given through the death of Christ. The power of Christ's resurrection motivates him to press on toward the ultimate goal, eternal life with Christ.

L: A reading from the third chapter of Philippians.

Paul writes: ^{4b} If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not

consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,¹⁴ I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

(Please stand if you are able)



The Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus tells a parable to the religious leaders who are plotting his death, revealing that their plans will, ironically, bring about the fulfillment of scripture.

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: Jesus said:³³ "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away.³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce.³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another.³⁶ Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way.³⁷ Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.'³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.'³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?"⁴¹ They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’?

⁴³ “Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Sermon / Sermon (please be seated)

Hymn of the Day: *(Stand if you are able)* Light Dawns on a Weary World

1 Light dawns on a weary world when eyes be - gin to
 2 Love grows in a weary world when hun - gry hearts find
 3 Hope blooms in a weary world when crea - tures, once for -

see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
 bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
 lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a

wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.

Refrain
 The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;
 the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!
 We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
 as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The pastor will read the first and last prayer, those in the congregation are invited to read the other prayer aloud as they feel called. The congregation may turn and face the aisle.

P: Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.
A brief silence.

God of every generation, we give thanks for all who have sought to renew and transform your holy church. Inspire us to follow their example in our own day. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

God of every creature, bless and protect the earth and all those who dwell within it. We give thanks for those who have helped us to see your Spirit in creation. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

God of every tribe and nation, restore peace to the world's conflict zones, and shelter those who live within them. We pray especially for the safety of displaced people and refugees. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

God of every comfort, you made us in your own image. Grant healing and relief to all who are sick or suffering *especially those we mention now or in the comfort of our hearts*. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

God of every truth, you draw us nearer to you through your holy word. We give thanks for teachers of the faith. Fill their hearts with your Spirit, that they inspire others with your truth. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

God of every soul, you are the one who calls us home. We give thanks for all the saints who have been restored to perfect unity with you. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

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OFFERING –

Choir Anthem: “For Where Love Is, There is God”- Doug Wagner

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS-

3 We thank you, our cre - a - tor, for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to of - fer for all your love im - parts,
but what you most would trea - sure—our hum - ble, thank-ful hearts.
Refrain
All good gifts a - round us are sent from heav'n a - bove.
We thank you, Lord, we thank you, Lord, for all your love.

Text: Matthias Claudius, 1740–1815; tr. Jane M. Campbell, 1817–1878, alt.

Offering Prayer

P: God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.

C: Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

San - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,
Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.
San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,
Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.
Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on
tie - rra, Ben - di - to es el que vie - ne en el
earth. . . . Blest is he who comes in the
nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el
name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (said by Pastor)

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.

Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.

Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

da - nos tu paz, da - nos tu paz.
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Distribution of Bread & Fruits of the Vine (please follow usher)



SONG DURING COMMUNION:

Jesus Loves Me!

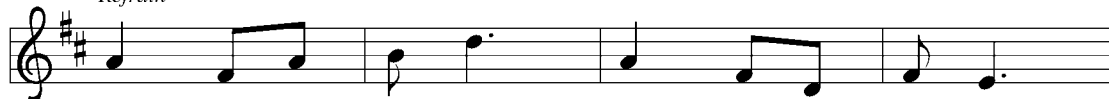


1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.
Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

Prayer after Communion

P: Let us pray, Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

C: Amen.

Announcements

BLESSING

P: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus.

C: Amen

P: The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit.

C: Amen

P: The God of grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

Sending Song :

All Creatures, Worship God Most High!



- 1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev-'ry voice in earth and
2 Sing, broth-er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
3 Sing, broth-er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
4 All who for love of God for-give, all who in pain or sor-row



sky: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Sing, broth-er sun, in splen-dor
grain: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear sis-ter wa-ter, use-ful,
throng: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear moth-er earth, so rich in
grieve: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis-ter moon and stars of night:
clear, make mu-sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
care, praise God in col-ors bright and rare:
fears; still make your song a-mid the tears:



lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

5 And you, most gentle sister death,
waiting to hush our final breath:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,
fair is the night that leads us home.
Alleluia.

6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia.

Text: Francis of Assisi, 1182–1226; tr. composite

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

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DISMISSAL

P: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Christus" -G. Young

Our Outreach envelopes for September will go to the Care-A-Lot Preschool operational fund.

October	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	BAPTISMS
5	Connor Aquino		
6	Virginia Hager		Joan Mammana
7	Lois Altemose		



Prayer List

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Barbara Altemus; David Antoni; Joey Erceg; Joe Hlavaty; George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Bradley Mundt; Barbara Naska; Joanne Ziegenfuss; Pat Zion

For Healing of Friends and Family: Phyllis Allebach; Bob Benoure; Carolyn Berry; Jason Bigley; Brier Bower; Melissa Carafa; Deb Carmichael; Jane Carr; Christine Connelly; Stephanie Courtney; Dan Crooke; David Davis; Nancy Edelen; Marissa Embardino; Carol and Leon Errico; Barbara Foster; Gabriella Froehlich; Debbie Gardner; Candie Gimbar; Baree Lee Goodman; Penni Griffith; Lee &

Nate Herkamp; Dolores Hess; Penny Houck; Bill Hunt; Lois James & family; Martine King; Priscilla Ballek Kinter; Jim Kreitz; Judy Krick; Tim Koplin; Carole Korupp; Devon Kramer; Jake Kramer; Lee; Kimberly Litzenberger and family; Linda Lyle; Colleen Marshall; Jim McAnally; Letitia McCrea; Connor McDevitt; Jennifer McLeod; Stacy Mecham; Helen Mundt; Larry Munford; Hunter Nebbia; Keith Newcomb; Lucia Otero; Jennifer Phelps; Jax Reidinger; Adrienne Rozzi; Connie Rugen; Holly Snyder; Donna Storm; Ellen Sullivan; Lee Taylor; Edward Thaler; Devin Torino; Russ Trauger; Joe V.; Janet Vanderlely; Karen von Ruffer-Hills; Kelly Walsh; Todd Walsh; Jacqueline Ward; Dean Erika Wesch; Ann & Henry Wong and Family; Barbara Yob; Linda Zerfass.

For those who are Homebound: James Altemose; Cheryl Mesko

For families and friends grieving the loss of: Al Boorse; Althea Crouse, Esther Crouse; Rev. Dr. Patricia Ann Curtis Davenport; Danny Eck; Rose Elcavage; Steven Galetich; Nancy Hogan; Jayne Miller; Dennis Phillipps; Stephen J Rohs Jr; Ruth Sauter; Laurel Sheetz; Jami Silfies; Lillian Staiger; Jeff Starling; Linda Wetherill; Wayne Yeisley; Frank Yhost Jr.

If you want to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: joanmammana@icloud.com

Worship Assistants

Pastor	Rev. James Heckman
Organist Choir Director	Carolyn Williams
Altar Guild	Kris Simmons and Val McGinn
Greeter(s)	Helen Dungan
Acolyte	Tucker Wagner
Lector	Pat Zion
Head / Communion Usher	Kathy/Joe Hlavaty
Council Communion Coordinator	Kathryn Wagner
Counting Team	
Technology & Livestreaming	Ken Anderson
Administrative	Kathryn Wagner
Custodian	Dawn Margeson

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

Sunday, October 4 19th Sunday after Pentecost	10:00 AM 12:00 PM- 2:00 PM	Communion Worship Confirmation Class @ St. Peter's Riegelsville
Monday, October 5	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM 4:00 PM	Admin Office Hours Zoning Appeal Meeting Bedminster Twp
Wednesday, October 7	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM	Office Hours Human Sexuality Statement Session
Thursday, October 8	10:00 AM 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Bible Study at the Hlavaty's
Friday, October 9	10:00 AM	WELCA meeting
Saturday, October 10	1:00 PM-4:00 PM	Durham Community Day at Durham Gristmill

Upcoming Weeks

Sunday, October 11 20th Sunday after Pentecost	10:00 AM	Communion Worship
Monday, October 12	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours
Tuesday, October 13	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 14	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM	Office Hours Human Sexuality Statement Session
Thursday, October 15	10:00 AM 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Bible Study @ the Hlavaty's

Sunday, October 18 21st Sunday after Pentecost	10:00 AM 12:00 PM- 2:00 PM	Communion Worship w/Rev. K. Harkness Confirmation Class @ St. Peter's Riegelsville
Monday, October 19	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours
Tuesday, October 20	7:35 PM	Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 21	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM 12:30 PM	Office Hours Care-A-Lot Board Meeting
Thursday, October 22	10:00 AM 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Bible Study @ the Hlavaty's