Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 20, 2019



Christ Lutheran Church

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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

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 AND ABSOLUTION

P: Holy and gracious God,

C: I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know – the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed – but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver me, O Lord, according to Your mercy and steadfast love, and restore me that I may rest in Your peace. Amen.

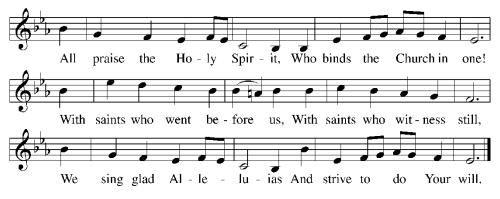
P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: May He who began this good work in you bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Peace be with you.

C: And also with you.





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SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O almighty God, You have delivered us up from sin and death, contending for us against all our enemies with the blood of Your only Son. Grant us courage that we fight the good fight of faith and receive the crown of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God. now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 32:22-30

²² The same night Jacob arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.
²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴ And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷ And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there He

blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

2 Timothy 3:14–4:5

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it 15 and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. 1 I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: 2 preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, 4 and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. 5 As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 18:1–8

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 18th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ And Jesus told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. ³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" ⁶ And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷ And will not God give justice to His elect, who cry to Him day and night? Will He delay long over

them? ⁸ I tell you, He will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, Still You're there right beside me. And nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path.

I will not forget Your love for me, and yet
My heart forever is wandering.
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side;
And I will love You to the end.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

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SERMON

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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 men 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 worshiped 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.

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.

P: . . . 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.

OFFERING

▼ SACRAMENT

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

PREFACE

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 Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who both taught us to pray and invited us to ask, seek, and knock, assuring us that by His death and resurrection He hears us and helps us in every time of need. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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Holy God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee. All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore Thee. Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.

Thou art King of Glory, Christ; Son of God, yet born of Mary. For us sinners sacrificed, As to death a Tributary, First to break the bars of death, Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: 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. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

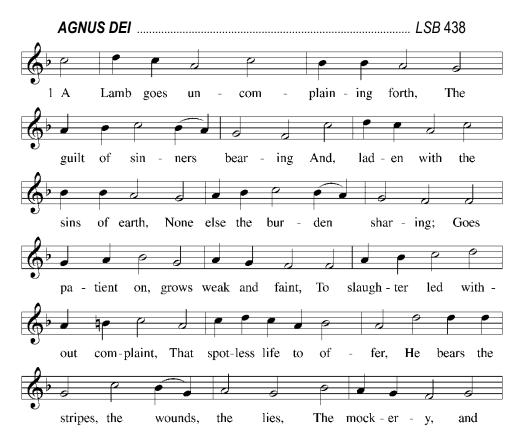
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.





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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray. Mighty Lord, Jacob once wrestled with You and You blessed him and gave him a name of blessing. Grant that we who have met You in the waters of Baptism and have been called by Your name as Your own children might daily wrestle against temptation and fear; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN "I Know My Faith is Founded"......LSB 587

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THIS WEEK AT CLC — (10/20/19 - 10/27/19)

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Education, 10:30am

Wednesday: Bible Study, 8:30am; 1st year Confirmation Class, 5:30pm

Thursday: Bethesda Work Day, 1:00pm; Worship/HC, 6:30pm **Sunday:** Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Education, 10:30am

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending October 13, 2019)

General & Building Funds: \$6313.00; Blessings: \$59.00

Attendance: Thursday: 25; Sunday: 125

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND VISITORS: We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

The Ladies Guild prepared 66 school kits for Lutheran World Relief and the Quilters prepared 37 quilts and 25 fabric kits. These items have been shipped out as of the end of September and new items are being prepared for next year's donations. The Quilters also prepared 9 baby quilts for the Women's Shelter and 6 for Children's Services of Wisconsin. Eight lap robes were donated to nursing homes. We are thankful for the ladies who sew items at their homes for these projects and grateful for donations received throughout the year. God is good!

"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life

"No matter how hopeless and weak you think you are, you've been provided with all the grace you need to make it to the end. Future grace always carries with it the promise of present grace. God will provide everything you need until you see Him face to face (2 Peter 1:3)." Paul David Tripp, pastor, author and conference speaker – (www.lutheransforlife.org)