

Order of Worship

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 27, 2026 – 10:15 a.m.

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

"You Are Holy (Prince Of Peace)"

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| 1. (Men) You are holy. | 2. (Women, Children) <i>You are Holy.</i> |
| You are mighty. | <i>You are mighty.</i> |
| You are worthy, | <i>You are worthy,</i> |
| Worthy of praise. | <i>Worthy of praise.</i> |
| I will follow. | <i>I will follow.</i> |
| I will listen. | <i>I will listen.</i> |
| I will love You, | <i>I will love You,</i> |
| All of my days. | <i>All of my days.</i> |

(1 and 2 together)

1. I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy.
And I will love and adore Him,
And I will bow down before Him.
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The King who is worthy.
And I will love and adore Him,
And I will bow down before Him.

2. *You are Lord of lords, You are King of kings,
You are mighty God, Lord of ev'ry thing.
You're Emmanuel, You're the Great I Am,
You're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb.
You're the Living God, You're my saving grace.
You will reign forever; You are Ancient of Days.
You are Alpha Omega, Beginning and End.
You're my Savior; Messiah, Redeemer and Friend.*

(All) You're my Prince of Peace, and I will live my life for You.

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

All: 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.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our 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.

All: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

EZEKIEL 18:1-4, 25-32

¹ The word of the Lord came to me: ² “What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? ³ As I live, declares the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴ Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

²⁵ “Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ²⁶ When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. ²⁷ Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. ²⁸ Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ²⁹ Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ³⁰ “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. ³¹ Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³² For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord God; so turn, and live.”

THE EPISTLE READING

PHILIPPIANS 2:1-4, 14-18

¹ So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

¹⁴ Do all things without grumbling or questioning, ¹⁵ that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶ holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷ Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸ Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Please stand for the Reading of the Holy Gospel.

THE GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 21:23-32

²³ When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” ²⁴ Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵ The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ ²⁶ But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” ²⁷ So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁸ “What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ ²⁹ And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went. ³⁰ And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go. ³¹ Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. ³² For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SONG

“Overcome”

Seated above, enthroned in the Father’s love;
Destined to die, poured out for all mankind.

God’s only Son, perfect and spotless One;
He never sinned, but suffered as if He did.

Chorus: All authority, ev’ry victory is Yours; All authority, ev’ry victory is Yours.
Savior, worthy of honor and glory, worthy of all our praise, for You overcame;
Jesus, awesome in power forever;
Awesome and great is Your Name, for You overcame.

Power in hand, speaking the Father’s plan;
Sending us out, light in this broken land. *Chorus*

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 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.

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

"You Are"

You are holy, You are faithful, You are Savior, You are friend,
You are all I'll ever need; Lord, You are.

You are ev'ry question's answer, You are ev'ry reason why,
You are moving, You are still; Lord, You are.

Chorus: **You are the Lord on high. You are the way, the truth, the life.
You are the Word made flesh, You are the bright Morning Star, You are.**

You are Glory, Hallelujah! You are hope of peace on earth,
You are Alpha and Omega; You are.

You are comfort, You are refuge, You are love personified,
You are kindness and compassion; You are. *Chorus*

You are my God and my King, You are the words that I sing.
You are the reason I make this offering. *Sing 3 times.*

You are the Lord on high, You are the way, the truth, the life.
You are the Word made flesh, You are the bright Morning Star.

And You are the Word made flesh, You are the bright Morning Star; You are.
You are my God and my King, You are the words that I sing.
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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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 for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My † blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"10,000 Reasons"

Chorus:

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul;
Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *Chorus*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Chorus*

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul;
Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name,

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul;
Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name,
I'll worship Your holy name, I'll worship Your holy name.

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"Glory To God Forever"

Before the world was made, before You spoke it to be,
You were the King of kings yeah, You were, yeah You were!
And now, You're reigning still, enthroned above all things;
Angels and saints cry out, we join them as we sing:

Chorus:

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God forever!
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God forever!**

Creator, God, You gave me breath, so I could praise
Your great and matchless name all my days, all my days!
So, let my whole life be a blazing offering
A life that shouts and sings the greatness of our King! *Chorus*

Take my life, and let it be all for You, and for Your glory;
Take my life and let it be Yours.
Take my life, and let it be all for You, and for Your glory;
Take my life and let it be Yours. We sing: *Chorus Twice*

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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.

All: **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

"Glorious Day"

I was buried beneath my shame. Who could carry that kind of weight?
It was my tomb 'til I met You.

I was breathing but not alive. All my failures I tried to hide.
It was my tomb 'til I met You.

Chorus:

**You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!
You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!**

Now Your mercy has saved my soul. Now Your freedom is all that I know.
The old made new, Jesus, when I met You. *Chorus*

I needed rescue. My sin was heavy, but chains break at the weight of Your glory.
I needed shelter. I was an orphan. Now You call me a citizen of Heaven.

When I was broken, You were my healing;
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing.
I have a future. My eyes are open.

'Cause when You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!
You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!

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Flower Arrangements

The flower arrangements which grace our altar this weekend are dedicated to the glory of the Lord by **Wendy** and **Alan Pine** in celebration of their 34th wedding anniversary.

Keep in Your Prayers

Prayers for strength and healing, guidance and blessing for:

Brian Adams

Alexander Hernandez

Brad Morton

Terri Green

Jeanne Kelly