

He guards me by his favor;
I shall not lack through all my ways,
He is my God and Savior.
He brings me where green pastures rise,
Where quiet streams and open skies
Bring comfort without measure.

The Offering

Offertory Hymn - **LBW Hymn #565** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,
Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+ **WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR** +

Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface - LBW p. 109

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) - LBW p. 110

Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution - LBW p.111

(The pastor leads us in prayer, followed by the words which Jesus spoke when he instituted communion. With these words, the bread and the wine are consecrated or “set apart” for God’s use in this special meal).

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.
Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

Lord’s Prayer - LBW p. 113

Agnus Dei - LBW p. 114 *Lamb of God*

Holy Communion
(Be seated while you wait to be invited forward to receive the Lord’s Supper. Those who prefer to drink from an individual cup may take one from the tray as they proceed into the half-circle; a few cups are pre-filled with grape juice. Those who prefer the common cup may drink directly from the chalice, or dip the bread into it. Return to the seat by the side aisle, placing any empty cups in the tray provided there. All are welcome to receive the Lord’s Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.)

Post-Communion Canticle - LBW p. 116 *Lord, now you let (We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. Here, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)*

+ **WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD** +
(In the final part of our liturgy, we are sent out as evangelists into the world, bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.)

Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction - LBW p. 117
Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.
Congregation: Amen.

Pastor (chanting): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Congregation (chanting): Amen.

Recessional Hymn - **LBW #540** – *Praise the Lord! O Heavens*
AUSTRIA

Dismissal
Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

CALENDAR
Sunday, October 4 – The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
Tuesday and Thursday
9am-2pm First Friends
Sunday, October 11 – The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

CHURCH STAFF
The Rev. Evan McClanahan, Pastor
Dr. Mario Aschauer, Organist and Choir Director
Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends
Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator
The Rev. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY
Cindy Sneed
Assisting Minister
Edward Scott
Crucifer/Server
Eric Olson, Mark Baird, Tommy Wade
Carolyn Hokanson, Adalyn McClanahan
Matthew Scott
Mario Aschauer
Evan McClanahan
Ushers
Altar Guild
Audio/Video
Organist
Liturgist, Preacher



THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ OCTOBER 4, 2026
ORDER OF SERVICE

+ **WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP** +
Upon entering the nave, please prepare for worship by attentively listening to the prelude.

Organ Prelude
Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness - LBW p. 98 *(stand)*

Welcome and Announcements

The Ringing of the Bell

Introit *(Choir)*
(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the choir sings. “Introit” means “to enter.” Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)
Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. V. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all. (Esth 4:17)

Processional Hymn - **LBW #433** – *The Church of Christ, in Every Age*
WAREHAM

(We stand as the hymn is introduced and turn to face the cross at the back of the church. As we sing, we turn to follow the cross as it moves toward the altar.)

Greeting and Kyrie - LBW p. 99

Hymn of Praise - **Hymn #166** *All Glory Be to God on High*
Verses 1 and 2

Prayer of the Day - LBW p. 28
Pastor: Let us pray ...
Congregation: Amen.

Children’s Sermon
(Children are invited forward for a message just for them. After the message, they can go next door to the nursery with Mrs. Bella.)

+ **WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD** +

First Lesson - **Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20**
Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought

you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, “You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die.” Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.”

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Psalmody - Psalm 19:1-8 *(chanted responsively)*



¹ The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,*
and the firmament | shows his handiwork.

² **One day tells its tale | to another,***
and one night imparts knowledge | to another.

³ Although they have no | words or language,*
and their voices | are not heard,

⁴ **their sound has gone out in- | to all lands,***
and their message to the ends | of the world.

⁵ In the deep has he set a pavilion | for the sun,*
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.

⁶ **It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens**
and runs about to the end of | it again;*
nothing is hidden from its | burning heat.

⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect and re- | vives the soul;*,
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom | to the
innocent.

⁸ **The statutes of the Lord are just and re- | joice the heart;***
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light | to
the eyes.

The Second Lesson - Philippians 3:4b-14

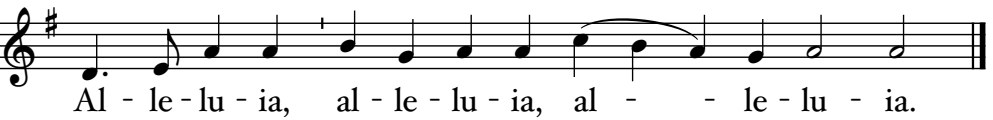
“...even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a

Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. 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 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. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.”

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *The congregation is invited to join the “Alleluias”*



V. I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, / to go and bear fruit that will remain.

The Gospel - Matthew 21:33-46

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord

“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” 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.” 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’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. 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.

The Sermon

Hymn of the Day - LBW #348 – *Jerusalem, Whose Towers Touch the Skies*
JERUSALEM, DU HOCHGEBAUTE STADT

The Apostles’ Creed - LBW p. 106

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

The Prayer of the People

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

(Each petition will end with the response:)

Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

The Greeting of Peace

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

Congregation: And also with you.

(We repeat this greeting to those around us as you are comfortable.)

The Offering

Anthem

by Christoph Graupner (1683–1760), arr. M. Aschauer

The Lord is Shepherd of my days,