

The Season After Pentecost

October 19, 2025 9:30am

GATHERING

Prelude

Confessions and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

Rejoice over us as ones who were lost

and have been found. Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

Amen.

Welcome and Sharing of the Peace (Please remember to fill out an attendance sheet) The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Gathering Song: "Rise Up, O Saints of God" Rise saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions up, turn: en - gulfs earth's frame; Speak out, 0 saints of God! De spair Rise up, O saints of God! The king-dom's task em - brace; saints of God! a - tion cries in Give heed. O Cre pain: Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod:

Christ rose tri - um-phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn. as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the re - dress sin's cru - el con - se-quence; give jus - tice larg - er place. stretch forth your hand of heal-ing now, with love the weak sus - tain. and, quick-ened by the Spir-it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries.

Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Reading Genesis 32:22-31

²² The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the 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 is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans 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 place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God

Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1} In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ² proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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Children's Time

Alleluia Verse



Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 18th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶ And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Song:

"Come As You Are"

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been Come broken-hearted let rescue begin Come find your mercy O sinner come kneel Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Chorus

(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame All who are broken lift up your face O wanderer come home You're not too far So lay down your hurt lay down your heart Come as you are

There's hope for the hopeless
And all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary
Rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure *Chorus*

Bridge Come as you are Fall in His arms Come as you are

Verse 3

There's joy for the morning O sinner be still Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Ending Come as you are Come as you are Come as you are

Apostles' Creed

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

Prayers of the People God of grace, receive our prayer.

MEAL

Offering/Ministry Opportunities/Invitation to Communion

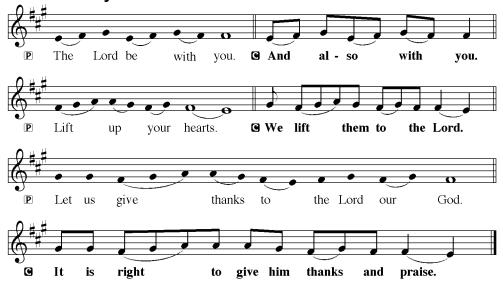


Offering Prayer

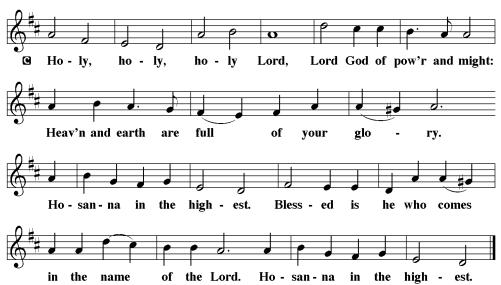
Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.

Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebration of Holy Communion



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:



Blessing of the Bread and Wine

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

Distribution of Holy Communion



Q Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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"Day by Day"



- 1 Day by day, your mer-cies, Lord, at tend me, bring ing com fort
- 2 Day by day, I know you will pro vide me strength to serve and
- 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur dens



to my anx-ious soul. wis-dom to o - bey; grow too great to bear; Day by day, the bless-ings,Lord, you send me I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be-yond all o'er the paths I strug-gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, of the mor - row, what be - tide me, brings to naught the bur-dens of my quest; Sav-ior, I will trust in your en-dur-ing grace. Sav-ior, you will hold me ev-er in your hand. Sav-ior,



lead me to the home I trea-sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest. help me bear life's pain and sor-row till in glo - ry I be-hold your face. with your pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

SENDING

Post-Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants.

Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Hymn:

"Let Justice Flow Like Streams"



- Let jus tice flow like streams of spar-kling wa ter, pure,
- 2 Let righ-teous-ness roll on as oth ers' cares we heed,
- 3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de fine our mea sure true,



en - a-bling growth, re - fresh-ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans-ing, sure. an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans-lat - ed in - to deed. and jus-tice, right, and peace per-vade this world our whole life through.

Dismissal

As people of the Good Shepherd ...

We are a Christian community rooted in grace, connected through inclusive worship and fellowship.

Together

We embrace and value all people and serve our broader community with compassion.

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Blessing Box

We are running low on: peanut butter, beans, tomato sauce, cereal, crackers, canned fruit, baby formula, boxed milk, tea/coffee, pancakes, microwave meals, shampoo/conditioner, feminine care products, deodorant

October Mission of the Month: Global Refuge (ELCA)

Includes responding to people caught in conflict and facing persecution, advocating for their needs and interests, helping people access resources for basic human needs, and much more.

Adult Education

This Fall Good Shepherd is digging into the difficult topic of the millenniums old Conflict in the Middle East. We often pray for peace and an end to violence; but we rarely take the time to truly dig deeper into causes and the lasting effects. We will hear firsthand from Palestinian Christian pastors and special guests who have recently visited the West Bank.

Join us Sunday mornings at 8:30am.

God's Work - Our Hands

Fall Clean-Up at Double H Ranch (supports children & their families living with chronic and serious illnesses)
Saturday, Nov. 1st, 8:30am – 1:30pm 97 Hidden Valley Rd, Lake Luzerne, NY Sign up in the foyer. Bring Gloves & Rakes.

Our **Good Shepherd Book Club** selection for October is <u>The Stolen</u> Marriage by Diane Chamberlain. We will meet for discussion at 7pm on Tuesday October 28, 2025 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

The **Good Shepherd Hikers** will be exploring the Thacher Park North Trails at 1PM TODAY. We'll be meeting at the parking lot on Old Stage Rd and we'll hike about three miles round trip to Hang Glider Cliff. For more info or if you'd like to join us, please contact Richard & Karen Wang @ 518-380-3303.

The **Stewardship Team** will be meeting on Wed, Oct 22nd at 7:30pm. Find out what we do and add your energy to the Good Shepherd story.

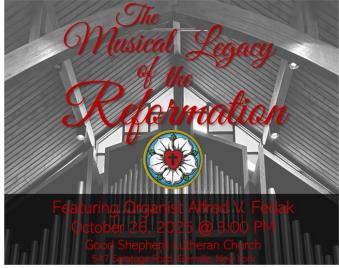
Today's altar flowers were donated by Cathi Duncan in loving memory of Sarah Brzozowski.

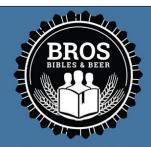
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Monday, November 3rd, 7 -8 pm Bros, Bibles & Beer Event Pizza Works 720 Saratoga Rd., Burnt Hills

Guys are invited to this casual bible event discussion over your favorite beer or soft drink.





