

August 10, 2025

After Pentecost, Lect. 19, Yr. C



Summer is a transient time and we won't all be together in these coming weeks, but we will remain united in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, who moves more freely than we can imagine! This Summer in worship, we will share a Journey together with Jesus and his disciples. Each week, we will join in a shared activity for reflection. Contemplative music will play following the sermon to give space to reflect and participate. Blessed be the Journey, and may Christ be with us always!

Ring of Bell

PRELUDE *This Little Light -&- Keep Your Lamps*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.
Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

P: We belong to Christ Jesus and we are God's children through faith. In the cross of ☩ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, our sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, we are a new creation.

C: Amen.

HYMN

ACS 949

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed & Burning

★ **See Song Sheet at the End**

PRAYER OF THE DAY We pray together

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.

C: Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING: GENESIS 15:1-6

Abraham & Sarah trust God's promise

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

PSALM 33:12-22

¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD!
Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

¹³ **The LORD looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.**

¹⁴ God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵ **God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.**

¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

¹⁷ **The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.**

¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

¹⁹ **to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

²⁰ Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD,
our helper and our shield.

²¹ **Surely, our heart rejoices in you,
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

²² Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we place our hope in you.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:1-3, 8-16

A vision of faith people of God enact in every age.

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

◆ GOSPEL: LUKE 12:32-40

C: Glory to you, O Lord

Invest your hearts in the Reign of God

[Jesus said:] ³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ "Be dressed for action and have your lamps

lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD. **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

Please be seated

SERMON *Pastor D.J. Chatelaine*

ACTIVITY for REFLECTION

How do you keep ready to welcome Jesus?

★ Take this time to journal or contribute to our shared art piece by writing a brief phrase on a piece of fabric and tying it to the chicken wire display in the front of the sanctuary.

HYMN OF THE DAY Lead Me, Guide Me No.768

See hymnal for music

Refrain Lead me, guide me, along the way; for if you lead me, I cannot stray. Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r to help me over my weakest hour. Help me through the darkness thy face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. to refrain

2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness, be my aid when Satan and sin oppress. I am putting all my trust in thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. to refrain

3 I am lost if you take your hand from me. I am blind without thy light to see. Lord, just always let me thy servant be. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. to refrain

◆ 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

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING—OFFERTORY—GLOBE OFFERING

Children are invited to bring an offering to the globe at the front of the church

◆ OFFERING PRAYER

P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

C: Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Spoken*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you.

Eat and rejoice.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart No.484

Refrain **You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat. Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.**

1 **As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice; so when you call your fam'ly, Lord, we follow and rejoice.** *Refrain*

2 **With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude that you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heav'nly food.** *Refrain*

3 **Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord?** *Refrain*

4 **The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell: whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell.** *Refrain*

5 **You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be, to serve each other in your name in truth and charity.** *Refrain*

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.

C: Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

◆ SENDING SONG

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer No. 618

1 **Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.**

2 **Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.**

3 **When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs and praises, songs and praises, I will raise forevermore, I will raise forevermore.**

Ring of Bell

DISMISSAL L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Shine Jesus Shine*

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CALENDAR

Su 8-10	9 AM WORSHIP 10 AM Coffee
Mo 8-11	5 PM Worship/Evangelism
Tu 8-12	<i>Installation of Byrant Units (all day)</i>
We 8-13	6 PM OUTDOOR WORSHIP 8 PM Rose Fest Outdoor Movie <i>More Info Below</i>
Th 8-14	1 PM LOVE DAY 7 PM AA
Sa 8-16	7-11 AM ROSE FEST – Car Show & CINNAMON Roll Fundraiser <i>More Info Below</i>
Su 8-17	9 AM WORSHIP 10 AM Coffee



WED AUG 13 - 8 PM
ROSE FEST OUTDOOR MOVIE
Volunteers Needed – to prep/sell (popcorn, drinks, & cotton candy) & cleanup.
Hours: 7-9 pm. Sign up in church basement or Email Susan Hoversten seshoversten@gmail.com



ROSE FEST “ROLLS & COFFEE”
ORGAN FUNDRAISER
Helpers Needed to Prep & Sell:
(shift times) Prep: Thurs 8/14 Nite 7–9 pm.
Sell: Sat 8/16 6 am ‘til gone.
Sign Up at church or Email Susan Hoversten seshoversten@gmail.com



SUN SEPT 7 - RALLY SUNDAY
RISE & SHINE OUTDOOR BREAKFAST
** FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED:
Pancake Mix, Sausage Links, Syrup, Fresh Fruit.



STEWARDSHIP Partnering w/ FLCW -
Now to September 26 - Seeking donation items for SEMN SWO LOVE
OFFERING: *Paper Towels, Kleenex, toilet paper, mop, laundry soap, sponge, multipurpose cleaners, cleaning products, antibacterial wipes, hair brush/ties, textured hair products, shampoo, conditioner, hygiene products.* Collection boxes are in the narthex, and entryway doors of the Ed Wing.

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning



1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your
2 Dark-er mid - night lies be - fore us, dark - er
3 Lo, the morn - ing soon is break - ing, lo, the
4 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your



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Chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry; chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry;



chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry, for this work's al - most done.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: KEEP YOUR LAMPS, African American spiritual

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