

**Welcome**  
to  
**Hope Episcopal Church**

We welcome you to this celebration of God's Good News!  
Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith,  
you are welcome here!

May God's blessing and peace be with you.

The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson, *Bishop of Missouri*  
The Very Rev. Jared Moore, *Priest-in-Charge*  
Bobbi Reese, *Organist and Choir Director*  
Chris Sturgeon, *Contemporary Music Director*  
Debbie Boles, *Parish Administrator*



*Please silence your cell phone during the church service.*



**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Liturgical Participants for September 21, 2025**

The Very Rev. Jared Moore, *Celebrant and Preacher*  
Diane Stirling, *Eucharistic Minister*  
Chris Sturgeon, *Lector*  
Chris Sturgeon, *Contemporary Music Director*  
Bob Stirling, *Usher*  
Kathy Joslin, Carol Link, Carie Kennedy,  
Mary Miller, Kaye Weerts, Wendy Wirkus, *Altar Guild*  
Barry Schenck, Mark Dinzler, Chris Sturgeon, Bob Stirling, *Videography*

*This service will be in the Parish Hall.*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## HOLY EUCHARIST

### Prelude

### I Will Delight

*Words and Music by  
Walt Harrah and  
John Andrew Schreiner*

**VERSE**

♩ = 98      G      D/F#      Em7      Bm7      C      G

I will de - light in the law of the Lord, I will med - i - tate day and night.

5      D/F#      Em7      Bm7      C      D      G

Then like a tree firm - ly plant - ed I'll be, ground - ed in Your Word.

**CHORUS**

D      C/D      D      Am/G      G      D/G      G      D      C      D

Bless - ed is the one who fol - lows the way of the Lord, bless - ed is the

1      2

15      G      Bm7      C2      G

one.      one.

### Welcome and Announcements

*Please stand at the ringing of the bell.*

**Processional Hymn**      Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

CCLI Song # 2430948

Brian Doerksen

***Chorus***

Come now is the time to worship  
Come now is the time to give your heart  
Come just as you are to worship  
Come just as you are before your God  
Come

***Verse 1***

One day every tongue  
Will confess You are God  
One day every knee will bow  
Still the greatest treasure remains  
For those who gladly choose You now

***Repeat Chorus***

***Verse 2***

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives  
Willingly our knees will bow  
With all our heart soul mind and strength  
We gladly choose You now

***Ending***

Come come just as you are come come

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant:* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People:*      **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

# GLORIA

The Rev. Jared Moore

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal

One. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal

One. Have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on

us, have mer - cy on us, we pray.

*Celebrant:* The Lord is with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

## THE OPENING COLLECT

*Celebrant:* Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Please be seated.*

### **THE FIRST LESSON:** Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me,  
my heart is sick.

Hark, the cry of my poor people  
from far and wide in the land:

"Is the LORD not in Zion?  
Is her King not in her?"

("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images,  
with their foreign idols?")

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended,  
and we are not saved."

For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt,  
I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

Is there no balm in Gilead?  
Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of my poor people  
not been restored?

O that my head were a spring of water,  
and my eyes a fountain of tears,  
so that I might weep day and night  
for the slain of my poor people!

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**THE RESPONSE:** Psalm 79:1-9

*Reader:* Let us read Psalm 79 responsively by half verse.

O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;  
they have profaned your holy temple; \*  
**they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.**

They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, \*  
**and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.**

They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, \*  
**and there was no one to bury them.**

We have become a reproach to our neighbors, \*  
**an object of scorn and derision to those around us.**

How long will you be angry, O Lord? \*  
**will your fury blaze like fire for ever?**

Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you \*  
**and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.**

For they have devoured Jacob \*  
**and made his dwelling a ruin.**

Remember not our past sins;  
let your compassion be swift to meet us; \*  
**for we have been brought very low.**

Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; \*  
**deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.**

## THE EPISTLE: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;  
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,  
Christ Jesus, himself human,  
who gave himself a ransom for all

-- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

*Reader*      Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

*People:*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

Sequence Hymn

# There Is A Balm In Gilead

Spiritual

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad to make the wound - ed whole,

The first system of musical notation for the hymn. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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there is a balm in Gil - e - ad to heal the sin - sick soul.

The second system of musical notation, starting at measure 5. It continues the melody and bass line from the first system. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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1 Some times I feel dis - cour - aged and\_ think my work's in vain,  
2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you can - not pray like Paul,

The third system of musical notation, starting at measure 9. It includes two verses of lyrics written below the treble staff. The melody and bass line continue.

13

but\_ then the Ho - ly Spir - it re - vives my soul a - gain.  
you can tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all."

The fourth system of musical notation, starting at measure 13. It concludes the hymn with a final cadence. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

## **THE GOSPEL:** Luke 16:1-13

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

The Rev. Jared Moore

*Following the sermon, a brief period of silence is observed.*

*Please stand.*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

*People:*     **We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Leader:* Beloved siblings, the Psalmist says that God inhabits the praises of God's people. Let us collect those moments and experiences of our lives right now that we are most grateful for and offer them to God. What are those things that we are grateful for?

*Leader:* We also come together with hearts burdened with the weight of suffering and unfulfilled hopes. Let us offer aloud the concerns of our homes, our community, and the wider world, including those who are sick, in need, or in want. What are those things that we need prayer for?

*Leader:* Lord, we gather in this special place to renew our commitment to your dream of a world reconciled to you in love. Remind us that we are loved and that we have been united to you through Jesus Christ. Help us to bring this message to our neighbors.

*People:* **We turn our hearts to you.**

*Leader:* Lord, you told your disciples to, "let the children come to me." Deepen the call on this parish to welcome families and create a loving home and for all kids, youth, and young adults. With St. Lukes Preschool, Sunday School, and youth group, please bless our efforts to fulfill your call.

*People:* **Make us a home for all, Lord.**

*Leader:* We specifically pray today for the deeply troubled places of this world; Iran, Israel, Palestine, Ukraine. We pray for peace, but not peace as the world gives, but the abiding and eternal peace that comes from the Spirit of God. As we co-labor with you in the work of making things right, help us resist the desire to hate our enemies. Give us grace to follow Jesus' teaching of loving those we've named as enemies.

*People:* **And help us pray for those who offend us.**

*Leader:* For the leaders of our nation and communities; particularly the president, Donald, and the governor, Mike, give them courage to serve the interests of those who cannot advocate for themselves and lift up those whose cries for mercy are drowned out by noise of politics.

*People:* **Help us to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

*Leader:* At last, we pray for the ministry entrusted to us, the laity, that we would be empowered as in the day of Pentecost to be bold witnesses of Jesus Christ; we pray for our priest, Jared, that he would be strengthened and renewed; and for our bishop, Deon, that he would be energized and revitalized in his season of sabbatical. We also pray for our Companion Community, St. Marks, Portland and their priest, Jessica.

*People* **Bless them and enrich them in every way, Jesus.**

*The Celebrant may add a concluding collect.*

## THE CONFESSION OF SINS

*Leader:* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence*

*All:* **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant:* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another with the Peace of God.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Celebrant:* St. Paul says each of you should give as you have made your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a **cheerful giver.**

Please be seated.

## Offertory Music

## Psalm 23

Words and Music by  
Stuart Townend

$\text{♩} = 64$       D      Asus      D      G/B

1. The Lord's my Shep - herd, I'll not want. He makes me lie in pas - tures  
2. He guides my ways in right - eous - ness, and He a - noints my head with  
3. And though I walk the dark - est path, I will not fear the e - vil

Asus A G Asus A7 D G/B Em7 Asus A7

green. He leads me by the still, still wa - ters, His good - ness re - stores my  
oil; And my cup, it o - ver - flows with joy, I feast on His pure de -  
one; For You are with me, and Your rod and staff are the com - fort I need to

D

soul. And I will trust in You a - lone, and I will trust in You a -  
lights.  
know.

lone; For Your end - less mer - cy fol - lows me, Your good - ness will lead me home.

Please stand.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## SANCTUS



C Dm G/B C F G

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Your glor - y floods the earth. Come

5 F G C/E F G C

save us, Come save us, Oh God of pow'r and might. How

9 Dm G/B C F G

Bless - ed is the One who comes in the Name of the Lord 1. Come  
2. Ho -

13 F G C/E F G C

save us, Come save us, Oh God of pow'r and might.  
san - na, Ho - san - na, Oh God of pow'r and might.

*Celebrant:* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

*Celebrant:* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All:*       **Christ has died.**  
              **Christ is risen.**  
              **Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant:* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

*All:*           **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.**

## THE BREAKING OF BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:*       **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## AGNUS DEI

D                    A                    Bm                    G

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world. Have

D                    A                    D                    A

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

Bm                    G                    D

sins of the world. Have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us

A                    Bm                    A/C#                    D/F#                    G

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world O

A                    D

grant us, O grant us your peace.

## THE INVITATION

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God!

*A consecrated gluten-free wafer may be requested from the Presider.  
Please be seated.*

### Communion Hymn

Kingdom Come

CCLI Song # 7055441  
Rich di Castiglione

#### *Verse 1*

Earth is groaning and we are longing  
For Your kingdom to come  
All creation and all of Heaven  
Join their voices as one

#### *Chorus*

God let Your kingdom come  
May Your will be done  
God let Your kingdom come  
**(REPEAT)**

#### *Verse 2*

Hope is stirring joy arising  
As we look to the day  
When all injustice will bow  
And every voice will cry out  
Holy is Your name

#### *Repeat Chorus*

#### *Bridge*

Lift up your heads all the weak and the poor  
The Lord is at hand and His Kingdom is yours  
Lift up your hearts all who suffer and mourn  
The Lord is at hand and His Kingdom is yours  
Lift up your eyes all who hunger for more  
The Lord is at hand and His Kingdom is yours  
Lift up a shout let the Earth hear your voice  
The Lord is at hand and His Kingdom is yours

#### *Repeat Chorus*

*If a Eucharistic visitor is to be sent, the following prayer is said. If no Eucharistic visitor is sent, the service continues with the Post-Communion Prayer.*

## **PRAYER FOR SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

*Celebrant:* In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People:* **We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

*Please stand.*

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*People:* **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

### **Closing Hymn**

The King of Love my Shepherd is

CCLI Song # 6529824

Adam Palmer | Jonathan Smith | Matthew Hein | Stephanie Kulla | Stuart Garrard

### ***Verse 1***

The King of Love my Shepherd is  
Whose goodness faileth never  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever  
And He is mine forever

### ***Verse 2***

Where streams of living water flow  
My ransomed soul He leadeth  
And where the verdant pastures grow  
With food celestial feedeth

***Chorus***

Never failing Ruler of my heart  
Everlasting Lover of my soul  
On the mountain high or in the valley low  
The King of Love my Shepherd is  
The King of Love my Shepherd is

***Verse 3***

Lost and foolish off I strayed  
But yet in love He sought me  
And on His shoulder gently laid  
And home rejoicing brought me

***Verse 4***

In death's dark veil I fear no ill  
With Thee dear Lord beside me  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still  
Thy cross before to guide me

***Repeat Chorus***

***Bridge***

Oh Hallelujah Hallelujah  
Oh Hallelujah Hallelujah

***Verse 5***

And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never  
Good Shepherd may I sing Your praise  
Within Your house forever  
Within Your house forever

**THE DISMISSAL**

*The Celebrant will offer words of dismissal.*

*People:*      **Thanks be to God.**