

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 29, 2024

Prelude / Bell

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: When God speaks

C: All creation answers

L: When God speaks

C: Lives are changed

L: When God speaks

C: Everything is turned inside out

L: In the cross of Jesus

C: God speaks love

L: In the cross of Jesus

C: God speaks forgiveness

L: In the cross of Jesus

C: God speaks into our hearts

Prayer

Song *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* ELW 712 vs. 1-3

Reading *John 15:1-17* *The Message Translation*

"I am the Real Vine and my Father is the Farmer. He cuts off every branch of me that doesn't bear grapes. And every branch that is grape-bearing he prunes back so it will bear even more. You are already pruned back by the message I have spoken.

"Live in me. Make your home in me just as I do in you. In the same way that a branch can't bear grapes by itself but only by being joined to the vine, you can't bear fruit unless you are joined with me.

"I am the Vine, you are the branches. When you're joined with me and I with you, the relation intimate and organic, the harvest is sure to be abundant. Separated, you can't produce a thing. Anyone who separates from me is deadwood, gathered up and thrown on the bonfire. But if you make yourselves at home with me and my words are at home in you, you can be sure that whatever you ask will be listened to and acted upon. This is how my Father shows who he is—when you produce grapes, when you mature as my disciples.

"I've loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love. If you keep my commands, you'll remain intimately at home in my love. That's what I've done—kept my Father's commands and made myself at home in his love.

"I've told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. You are my friends when you do the things I command you. I'm no longer calling you servants because servants don't understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I've named you friends because I've let you in on everything I've heard from the Father.

"You didn't choose me, remember; I chose you, and put you in the world to bear fruit, fruit that won't spoil. As fruit bearers, whatever you ask the Father in relation to me, he gives you.

"But remember the root command: Love one another.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stories and Songs from Christikon Montana

Video *Within, Everywhere, and Always*

Sharing the Peace

Special Music

Nordland Choir

Offering / Offertory

A Fragrant Offering

The Great [Thanksgiving](#)

L: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: Holy God, our Maker, our Healer, our Teacher, your magnificent creation springs forth from your Word. All that has life and breath praises your name. For your Word that sustains the earth:

C: We thank you, O God.

L: You sent us Jesus, your Word, to renew the world. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, preached your mercy, and called us to faith. For your Word in Christ:

C: We praise you, O God.

L: Nourish us with the Spirit of your Word, that we may grow in grace, bearing the fruits of redemption, and sharing your strength and beauty with all the world. For your Word in our lives:

C: We pray to you, O God.

L: Accept our [thanksgiving](#) and receive our prayer, for the sake of your living Word, Jesus our Savior.

C: Amen.

Song

Come, Let Us Eat

ELW 491 vs. 1, 2

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Communion Blessing

Benediction

Song

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

ELW 836

Sending

Bell / Postlude

*You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love
and respect and God is using you to care for the world.*

We Thank

September 29, 2024

Ushers; Sound & Screen Techs

Pianist / Organist: RaNae Martinson

Reader: Kari Hanson

Flowers: Given in Loving Memory of Heather Henderson

2/6/73 – 9/27/00

Nordland's Week & Notices

Today 9:30 /10:30 Education & Fellowship / Worship

5:00 pm

Nordland's second semiannual mini-summit, please RSVP to Jeff Thompson

Wed. 9:00 am

Christian Service Day

6/ 6:30 pm

Wed. Meal /Confirmation & Education

Sat. 8:00 am

Men in the Basement

Sun. 9:30 am Education & Fellowship
10:30 am Worship w/ Presentation of Bibles to Preschool & 3rd Grade /& Harvest Blessing

Nordland's second semiannual mini-summit, today, September 29. We'll start with 5:00 pm social time, hopefully done by 7:00 pm. Food and beverages will be provided! Please RSVP to Jeff Thompson.

Youth in grades 5-12 are invited to the Youth Lock In on Sat. Oct. 12 at 7:00 pm and be done after the Egg Bake Fundraiser on Sun. Oct. 13 at 11:30 am, signup on the youth board, also parents are needed to help throughout the night, let Michelle Weiss know if you can help. Friends are always welcome!

Everyone is invited the Youth Egg Bake Fundraiser on Sunday, Oct. 13 after worship at 11:30 am. This is also Nordland's Honored Member Sunday and Blessing of the Hunters!