
≈ FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ≈

ORDER OF WORSHIP • SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 • 9:00 AM

✙ *Indicates the congregation should stand as able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME

✙ OPENING HYMN GOD IS HERE! STANZAS 1, 2 & 3
TUNE: ABBOTT'S LEIGH

**God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.**

**Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.**

**Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.**

✙ INVOCATION

WL: In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

✙ CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WL: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and confession

WL: God of power and unending love,
All: **You created us to know you, and to love you.
You call us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to offer our very
bodies as a living sacrifice, just as you gave yourself in love upon
the cross.
We have not loved you, Lord, with our whole heart.
We have so often failed to love our neighbors.
Forgive us, God. Forgive us and restore us,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
even to the giving of our lives in love, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

WL: Beloved people of God: You belong to Christ Jesus, and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of † Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. Go now and follow boldly to the cross, where our Savior leads.

All: **Amen.**

The congregation sits as the choir sings

PARISH CHOIR ANTHEM

WHEN I SURVEY THE
WONDROUS CROSS
ARR. GILBERT MARTIN

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WL: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WL: Let us pray. Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself. Mercifully grant that we may show forth in our lives the love and sacrifice he bore for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

MICAH 6:6-8

R: Our first lesson on this Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from the 6th chapter of the prophet Micah.

With what shall I come before the Lord
and bow down before the exalted God?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousand rivers of olive oil?
Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 12:1-2

R: The second lesson is from the 12th chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans.

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

✠ VERSE

TAKE MY LIFE, THAT I MAY BE
LBW #406, STANZAS 1, 5 & 6

**Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.**

**Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.**

✠ HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 16:24-26

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

TODAY'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE HYMN

WE KNOW THAT CHRIST IS RAISED
LBW #189

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

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the congregation stands to sing.*

✠ OFFERING HYMN

FROM YOU ALONE
STANZA 1

All stand to sing:

From you alone come all our gifts:

The gift of life, our very being.

From you we know that all we have

Is yours alone, and this is freeing.

We're free to share each gift you give,

For that's the way that brings new life:

The way of death,

The way of birth,

The living Way of Christ.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

✠ PREFACE

WL: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WL: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

All: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

✠ THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

✝ THE LORD'S PRAYER

WL: As Jesus taught His disciples to pray, so we pray together:

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.**

✝ PAX DOMINI

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

All: **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION HYMN

O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED
LBW #503

✝ THE DISMISSAL

WL: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

All: **Amen.**

✝ CLOSING PRAYER

WL: Let us pray. Gracious God, in this feast you have given us the gift of your whole self. Grant that we, thus strengthened, may go forth to share this gift freely with all, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

All: **Amen.**

✝ BLESSING

WL: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

All: **Amen.**

✠ SENDING HYMN

GOD IS HERE! STANZA 4

TUNE: ABBOTT'S LEIGH

**Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!**

✠ DISMISSAL

WL: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

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TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY

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