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Ministers: All the People of God

Nineteenth Sunday of Pentecost

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**Welcome to Worship! It is good to be together.
Your presence here is a gift to God and to others this morning.**

We have committed as a church to pray for all those in our community who are living in the darkness of addiction. We have lit a candle in the front of the sanctuary as we pray for the light of Christ to break into their lives. Before worship begins, you are invited to light a candle for a friend or family member for whom you are praying.

**Prelude
Welcome
Announcements**

Prayer of Confession

In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

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.**

Gloria

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**Glory be to God in heaven; peace good will to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth;
we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.**

**Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in the promise firm we stand.**

**Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all;
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright,
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!**

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, tireless guardian of you 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

Choir

Psalm 121 (read responsively)

Reader: Marva Heckathorn

I look to the mountains; where will my help come from?

My help will come from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let you fall; your protector is always awake.

The protector of Israel never dozes or sleeps.

The Lord will guard you; he is by your side to protect you.

The sun will not hurt you during the day, nor the moon during the night.

The Lord will protect you from all danger; he will keep you safe.

He will protect you as you come and go now and forever.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

But as for you, continue in the truths that you were taught and firmly believe. You know who your teachers were, and you remember that ever since you were a child, you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living, so that the person who serves God may be fully qualified and equipped to do every kind of good deed.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and because he is coming to rule as King, I solemnly urge you to preach the message, to insist upon proclaiming it (whether the time is right or not), to convince, reproach, and encourage, as you teach with all patience. The time will come when people will not listen to sound doctrine, but will follow their own desires and will collect for themselves more and more teachers who will tell them what they are itching to hear. They will turn away from listening to the truth and give their attention to legends. But you must keep control of yourself in all circumstances; endure suffering, do the work of a preacher of the Good News, and perform your whole duty as a servant of God.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Children's Sermon

Luke 18: 1-8

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to teach them that they should always pray and never become discouraged. "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected people. And there was a widow in that same town who kept coming to him and pleading for her rights, saying, 'Help me against my opponent!' For a long time the judge refused to act, but at last he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or respect people, yet because of all the trouble this widow is giving me, I will see to it that she gets her rights. If I don't, she will keep on coming and finally wear me out!'"

And the Lord continued, “Listen to what that corrupt judge said. Now, will God not judge in favor of his own people who cry to him day and night for help? Will he be slow to help them? I tell you, he will judge in their favor and do it quickly. But will the Son of Man find faith on earth when he comes?”

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

#742

- 1) **What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear --
all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!**

- 2) **Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged – take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness – take it to the Lord in prayer.**

- 3) **Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge – take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.**

Prayers of Intercession

Each petition will end with “Lord, in your mercy,”
the congregation responds with “**hear our prayer.**”

Offering

*You may put your offerings in the box on the table in the back of the sanctuary -
or you are invited to make your offerings online on our website, americanlutheranchurch.net,
or mail them to American Lutheran Church at PO Box 653- Newport, WA 99156*

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

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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.**

The thanksgiving continues with the preface and the congregation responds:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord. God of power and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

*Jesus welcomes ALL to his table to receive his love and forgiveness - his life given for you.
Grape juice and gluten/soy/corn free wafers are available*

Communion hymns: 623, 725, 752

Blessing

Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn

"On Our Way Rejoicing"

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1) On our way rejoicing gladly let us go. Christ our Lord has conquered;
vanquished is the foe. Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy;
who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

*Refrain: On our way rejoicing, as we homeward move, hearken to our praises,
O blest God of love!*

2) Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing; unto God the Savior
thankful hearts we bring; unto God the Spirit bow we and adore,
on our way rejoicing now and evermore. *[Refrain]*

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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*Masks are optional, but we recognize that COVID is still a reality and a concern for many who are vulnerable.
Please wear a mask if you are feeling under the weather at all. Thank you so much!*

This Week

Monday	10 am	Bible Study
Tuesday	10 am	Quilting
	Noon	Al-anon *note change
	5pm	WWW Women's Fellowship
Wednesday	7pm	Choir
Sunday	9am	Youth Sunday School
	10 am	Worship

Remember in Prayer: Pastor Bob Albing, Cyndy Akre, Grady, Kelly Allinger, Marjorie Lou Alliger, Scone Bender, Annika Britton, Julie Brown and family, Barbara Campbell, Colleen (friend of Dawn Morey), Ellie and Bobby Joe (at the request of Carlene Connelly), Shae Courtney (son-in-law of the Lewis'), Eirie, Angel, Angelito (at the request of the Schellers), Susan Fox, Dorothy Funden, Gladys Gerow, Ed and Lynda Heckman, Gary Heckathorn, Annika Hughes, Kapple family, Sandy Loskill, Kadence (Dawn Morey's granddaughter), Dewey Moore (Cindy Robertson's dad), Jean Oxrieder, Joel Robertson, Robin (at the request of Cheryl Graff), Carol Rock, Sandy Rock (Joy Peralta's sister-in-law), Cheryl Schoesler, Judy Schoesler, Merle Simons (at the request of the Graffs), Lindsay Uhl (Barbara Campbell's sister-in-law), Chris Vullo (at the request of Judy Bell), Audrey Wilbur (Marva's great niece).

Announcements: Please stay for our Oktoberfest celebration

Every Sunday at 9:00 am youth Sunday School all kids are welcome!

Giving Update: September Actual Giving - \$13,877.88 - September Budget - \$17,083.33
September Variance - (\$3,205.45) - YTD Variance to General Fund giving budget as of September 30, 2025 is (\$8,448.83) Thank you for your faithful and generous gifts.

Second Harvest Mobile Market: Thursday November 6th at the Rodeo Grounds. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 9am, distribution starts at 10am.

The church is selling the organ. It is an Allen organ model no. MDS16. We are asking \$300.

On All Saints Sunday (Nov. 2): we will read aloud the names of saints who have died in the past 12 months. If there is someone whose name you would like included please contact the church office via email or drop a note in the offering box.

Sunday Nov. 2: In consultation with Bishop Meggan Manlove, seminarian Brenden Wiechert has been authorized to preside over the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

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Also, Annie Frederick is available to answer any questions you may have about the transition: 509-270-0496 and afrederick2018@outlook.com

If you would like to be on our church email list for announcements and prayer concerns, please send your email address to alc.churchoffice@gmail.com.