

Readings and Music for

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 20, 2026

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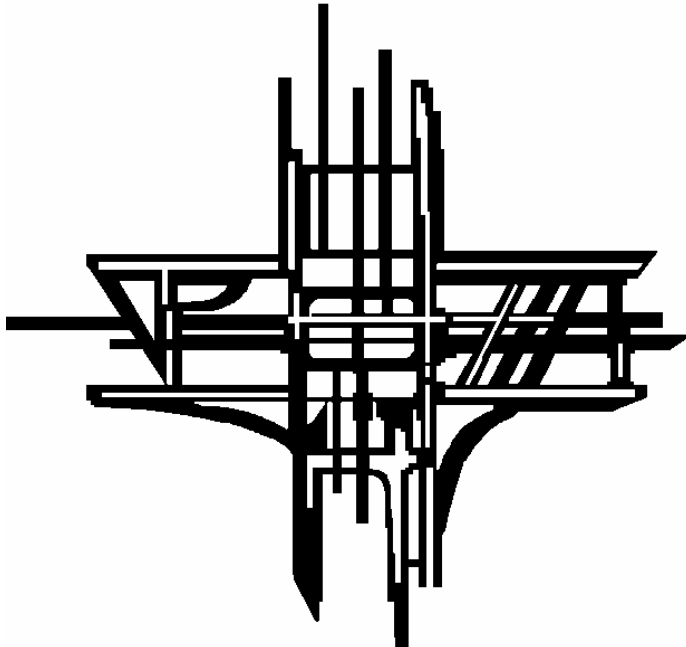
“Praise My Soul the King of Heaven”

H410

Collect of the Day

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.**



A reading from the Prophet Jonah:

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, “O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” And the Lord said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

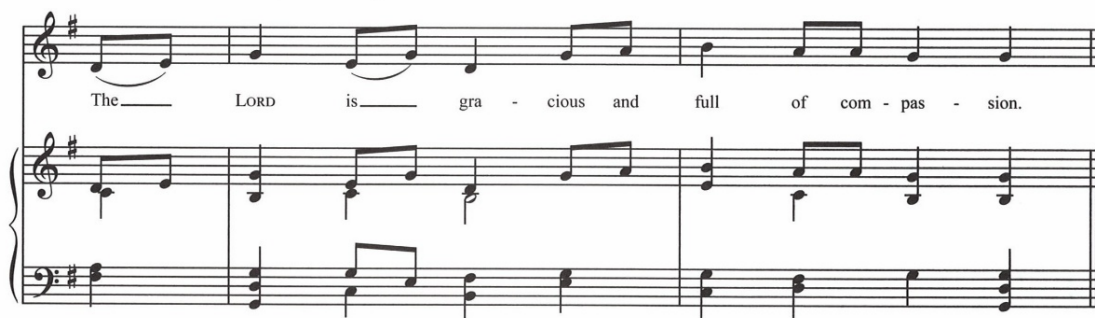
The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” Then the Lord said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

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

Psalm 145:1-8



- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever. [ANT.]
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power. [ANT.]
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
and I will tell of your greatness. [ANT.]
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness. [ANT.]

Second Reading

Philippians 1:21-30

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians:

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well--since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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

People Thanks be to God

Sequence

“Be Thou My Vision”

H488

Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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



Offertory

“Give Praise and Glory Unto God”

H375

Communion “For the Bread Which You Have Broken”*H341***Recessional****“We Are All One in Mission”***WLP778*

1. We all are one in mis-sion, we all are one in call,
2. We all are called for ser-vice to wit-ness in God's name.
3. We all be-hold one vi-sion, a stark re-al-i-ty;
4. Now let us be u-nit-ed and let our song be heard.

The first system of the musical score features a vocal melody in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are aligned under the vocal line.

our var-ied gifts u-nit-ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min-is-tries are dif-f'rent, our pur-pose is the same:
the stew-ard of sal-va-tion was nailed up-on a tree.
Now let us be a ves-sel for God's re-deem-ing Word.

The second system continues the musical score with the same vocal and piano parts. The lyrics continue under the vocal line.

A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
Yet res - ur - rect - ed Jus - tice gives rise that we may share
We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,

to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
so peo - ple of all na - tions may feel God's warm em - brace.
free re - con - cil - i - a - tion and hope a - mid de - spair.
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE REMAIN ON OUR PERMANENT PRAYER LIST AS THEIR NEED FOR PRAYER IS LONG-TERM RATHER THAN ACUTE:

Don, Roberta, Marilyn, Jim, Mary, Emily, Chelsea, Bob, Mark, Michael, John, Bob, Billy, Laura, Cindy, Pam, Katy, Lou, Nick, Brendan, Bob, Debra, Janet, Jacelyn, Sharon, Gabe, Chuck, Nancy, Mike, Tom, Betty, Carol, David, James, Kathy, Bill, John, Rosemary, Roberta, Earl, Patricia.

This week at Transfiguration:

<i>Today</i>	<i>Holy Eucharist</i>	<i>Church/FB</i>	<i>10am</i>
	<i>Coffee Hour hosted by Sue & Gabe</i>	<i>Leach Hall</i>	<i>11:15am</i>
	<i>with special Bed's Plus presentation</i>		
<i>9/21</i>	<i>Bible Study</i>	<i>Zoom</i>	<i>7pm</i>
<i>9/25</i>	<i>Spaghetti Dinner</i>	<i>Leach Hall</i>	<i>6pm-8pm</i>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

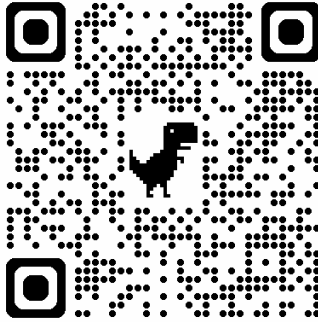
- **Church School Resumes** – Church school starts back up today! Summer has been great - but we've missed our weekly gatherings, and we're excited to have lots of fun in the new school year!
Transfiguration Church School meets immediately after the Sunday morning service. This year, we will have 3 classes; one for PreK (4 yr olds) and Kindergarten, one for early elementary grades, and one for middle-high schoolers.
- **Bed's Plus Presentation** – During coffee hour today, we have a guest presenter from Bed's Plus coming to share with us about their organization and all the good that they do. This is a great opportunity for folks to learn more about an organization that we have partnered with for some time.
- **Bible Study** – Bible Study starts back tomorrow evening, Monday September 21st. We will resume our custom of meeting every first and third Monday throughout the school year. We meet on Zoom at 7PM, and all are welcome. It is a very casual time of conversation about Scripture. There is no homework. We read the text and discuss it all together. If you have been thinking about trying out Bible Stud, this is a great time to jump into it. Our first book when we start back up will be the book of Ephesians.

- **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** – Join us for a delicious spaghetti dinner for a good cause. Proceeds help cover the installation of large security planters in front of the daycare section of our building. There will also be raffle baskets and a silent auction. Adult tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. Kids tickets are \$5 in advance and \$8 at the door. We hope you will join us for a tasty meal and help support a worthy cause. You can get your tickets by using the QR code below, calling the church, or during coffee hour today or next Sunday.



- **Blessing of the Pets** – On October 4th, The Feast of St. Francis, we will have a special blessing of the pets during our service. It is always a fun and interesting Sunday, so if you have a pet that can handle being in service, bring them out and we will get them blessed. Alternatively, if your furry friend is a bit too rambunctious for service, Hunter will set up in the front parking lot (the lot by 86th Ave.) after coffee hour to offer pet blessings as well.

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Priest's Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 10Am to 3:00PM

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