

Readings and Music for

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 26, 2025

Processional

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

H686

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Jeremiah 14:7-10,19-22

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah:

Although our iniquities testify against us,
act, O Lord, for your name's sake;
our apostasies indeed are many,
and we have sinned against you.

O hope of Israel,
its savior in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
like a traveler turning aside for the night?
Why should you be like someone confused,
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?

Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name;
do not forsake us!

Thus says the Lord concerning this people:
Truly they have loved to wander,
they have not restrained their feet;

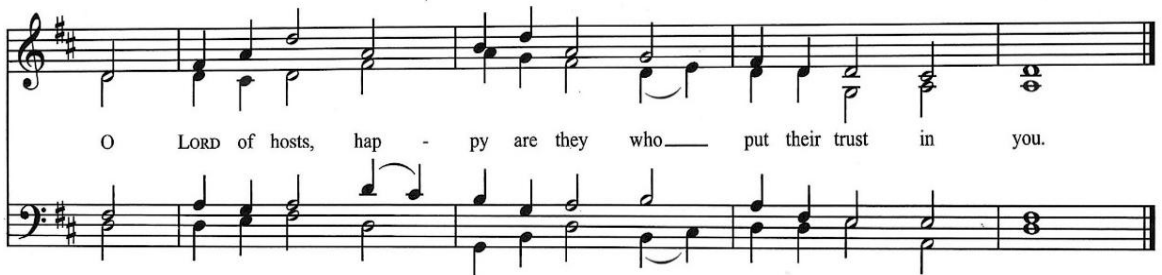
therefore the Lord does not accept them,
 now he will remember their iniquity
 and punish their sins.
Have you completely rejected Judah?
 Does your heart loathe Zion?
Why have you struck us down
 so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace, but find no good;
 for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.
We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord,
 the iniquity of our ancestors,
 for we have sinned against you.
Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
 do not dishonor your glorious throne;
 remember and do not break your covenant with us.
Can any idols of the nations bring rain?
 Or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O Lord our God?
 We set our hope on you,
 for it is you who do all this.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84:1-6

based on "Brother James' Air" (H82-517)



- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling,
O LORD of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of
the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. [ANT.]
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God. [ANT.]
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. [ANT.]
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find
it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion. [ANT.]

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

A reading from the Second Letter to Timothy:

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Sequence Hymn

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In His Time

Diane Ball

D Em⁷ A⁷ D



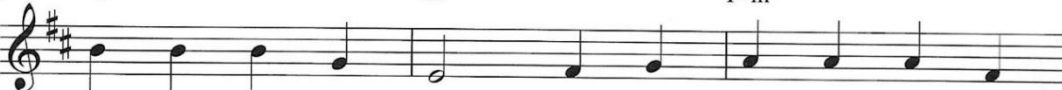
1. In His time, _____ in His time, _____ he makes
2. In Your time, _____ in Your time, _____ You make

5 Em⁷ A⁷ D D⁷



all things beau - ti - ful in His time. _____ Lord, please
all things beau - ti - ful in Your time. _____ Lord, my

9 G A⁷ F#m⁷



show me ev - 'ry day, as You're teach - ing me Your
life to You I bring; may each song I have to

12 Bm Em⁷ A⁷ D



way, that You do just what You say in Your time. _____
sing be to You a love - ly thing in Your time. _____

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Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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

Sermon

Rev. Hunter Farrow

Offertory Anthem "Simple Gifts"

Communion Anthem "Oh, How Beautiful is Your Love"

Recessional "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" *H680*

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, Meghan, Jan, 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>10:00am</i>
	<i>Coffee Hour hosted by the CYMC</i>	<i>Leach Hall</i>	<i>11:15am</i>
<i>10/27</i>	<i>Daycare Board Meeting</i>	<i>Chapel</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Veterans Day Project 2025** - The Military Outreach Committee would like to invite your participation in a Veterans Day project that will provide needed items for the residents at the ILLINOIS VETERANS' HOME AT MANTENO. We have created post-it notes of requested items for you to take starting October 26th and ask that you purchase that item and return it to the collection box in the back of the church on November 2 through November 9th. Post-its with a gold star designate greater need but all items will be appreciated. Items range in price from \$3 to \$20. If you'd like to purchase multiples of the same item, that's okay, but it's not expected. If any questions, or if you are not able to shop but wish to fund a shopper, then contact Elizabeth Durbin or Pat Jonikaitis for assistance. As always, we are grateful for your generous support of our service men and women and especially our veterans at this time.

- **Halloween Party Coffee Hour** – Today, October 26, the Children and Youth Ministry Committee is hosting a Halloween Party Coffee Hour in Leach Hall right after the service. This is an all-ages event and costumes are encouraged. We'll have games and prizes. And for all who are able or interested - we invite you to get creative and bring a Halloween-themed snack or treat for our festive banquet table. Don't miss this spooktacular annual event!
- **Stewardship Campaign** – It is that time of year again, over the next several weeks we will spend some time talking about stewardship. We ask you to consider how you might be able to support the mission of Transfiguration in the coming year. Hopefully, you have received your stewardship letter in the mail, along with a pledge card. If you have not, please keep an eye out for it, and let us know if you do not receive something in the mail. If you prefer to fill your pledge out online, you can do so using the QR code below.



- **Beds Plus** - Our Beds Plus Outreach program volunteers continue to pack lunch bags for the homeless shelters every other weekend. If you would like to make a contribution toward purchasing food items for this ministry plus make your check out to the church and write “Beds Plus” in the memo line. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Zack Ottinger at zottinger@gmail.com. Please remember the other ministries we support; including the area Food Pantries and Shower the Shelter.