

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

Opening Hymn

10,000 Reasons

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul.

Wor-ship His ho-ly name. Sing like nev-er be-fore,

O my soul. I'll wor-ship Your ho-ly name.

The sun comes up; it's a new day dawn-ing.
You're rich in love and You're slow to an-ger.
And on that day when my strength is fail-ing,

It's time to sing Your song a-gain. What-
Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For
the end draws near and my time has come,

ev-er may pass and what ev-er lies be-fore me,
all Your goodness I will keep on sing-ing,
still my soul will sing your praise un-end-ing,

let me be sing-ing when the eve-ning comes. (Bless the)
ten thou-sand rea-sons for my heart to find. (Bless the)
ten thou-sand years and then for-ev-er-more. (Bless the)

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Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Kyrie

To the tune New Britain ("Amazing Grace")

Look down in mercy on us, Lord.
Receive our prayers and praise,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word,
For your amazing grace.

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Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession and Absolution

- P** Let us confess our sin to God:
O Lord, merciful Father, you keep covenant and steadfast love with those who love you and keep your commandments.
- C** **We confess that we have not listened to your servants the prophets. We have not heeded your law nor have we rejoiced in your gospel. We confess that things have fallen apart. But Lord, you keep covenant even when we do not. Your love is steadfast when ours is frail and fallible. You are faithful even when we are faithless. We want you to be our God and we want to be your covenant people. Grant us the gift of faith. By your Holy Spirit work in us steadfastness and singleness of heart, that we might manifest your love in the keeping of your commandments and the living of your gospel.**
- P** O Lord, merciful Father, hear our prayers in the name of your well-beloved Son, Jesus Christ, the mediator of the new and eternal covenant, to whom be glory forever and ever.
- C** Amen.
- P** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from John 3:
"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."
- C** Amen.

Reflection on God's Forgiveness

Isaiah 53:4-6

- P** Surely [Jesus] has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
- C** **Yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.**
- P** But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
- C** **Upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.**
- P** All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned - every one - to his own way;
- C** **And the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 104:27-35

- P** These all look to you,
to give them their food in due season.
- C** **When you give it to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**
- P** When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
- C** **When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.**
- P** May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works,
- C** **who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke!**
- P** I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
- C** **May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the LORD.**
- P** Let sinners be consumed from the earth,
and let the wicked be no more!
Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**



Angels, sing, and earth reply: "Glory be to God on high!"
God who flung the stars in space, God who formed the human race,
God the mind and God the cause, God the source of nature's laws,
God of wisdom, pow'r, and love, God of gods, all gods above.
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God who saw your creatures fall, loved them still, and loved them all,
Gave your only Son to prove what is mercy, what is love;
And the Spirit, given free, recreates your family.
Angels, sing, and earth reply: "Glory be to God on high!"

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Old Testament Reading

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

⁴Now the rabble that was among [the children of Israel] had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, "Oh that we had meat to eat!
⁵We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. ⁶But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at. . . ."

¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,' to the land that you swore to give their fathers? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, 'Give us meat, that we may eat.' ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. ¹⁵If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness."

¹⁶Then the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you. . . ."

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them."

²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!"

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

James 5

¹Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. ²Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. ³Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. ⁴Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. ⁵You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. ⁶You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.

⁷Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. ⁹Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. ¹⁰As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. ¹¹Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

¹²But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your "yes" be yes and your "no" be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

¹³Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. ¹⁴Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. ¹⁷Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

¹⁹My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, ²⁰let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sermon Hymn

Before the Throne of God Above



Be-fore the throne of God ab - ove I have a strong and per - fect
When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with -
Be-hold Him there, the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect spot - less right - eous -



plea, a great High Priest whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for
in, up - ward I look and see Him there, who made an end to all my
ness, the great un - change - a - ble "I Am", the King of glo - ry and of



me. My name is grav - en on His hands, my name is writ - ten on His
sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - iour died my sin - ful soul is count - ed
grace. One with Him - self I can - not die, my soul is pur - chased with His



heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can
free, for God the Just is sat - is - fied to look on
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
Sav - iour and my God, with Christ, my Sav - iour and my God.

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Holy Gospel

Mark 9:38-50

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁸John said to [Jesus], "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me." ⁴⁰For the one who is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

⁴²“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. ⁴³And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸‘where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.’ ⁴⁹For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Credo

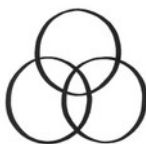
To the tune St Denio (“Immortal, Invisible”)

Great God, our Creator, from whom all receive
Their being and blessing, in you we believe.
Almighty, all-knowing, all-gracious, all-true,
Provider and Father, our trust is in you.

And you, Jesus Christ, we affirm as our Lord,
True son of the Father, by angels adored;
Redeemer incarnate, you paid for our sins,
And, joined in your rising, our new life begins.

Free Spirit of wisdom and power and love,
On us, as on Christ, you descend from above;
You call us, you cleanse us, you open our eyes,
You keep us in peace, you restore paradise.

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Sermon

Offering

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Prayer of the Church

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Apostles' Creed

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life \dagger everlasting. Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give him thanks and praise.
P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing...

Sanctus

To the tune Nicaea ("Holy, Holy, Holy")

"Holy, holy, holy!" all the saints in glory
Fill your temple with their song around your golden throne;

"Holy, holy, holy!" with them we adore Thee;
God in three persons, all in Christ as one.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei

o the tune Olivet ("My Faith Looks Up to Thee")

Meek, slaughtered lamb of God, Bearing the sinners' load To buy our peace: Now risen and enthroned, With life and glory crowned, To all the lost and found Please grant your peace.

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Distribution Hymn

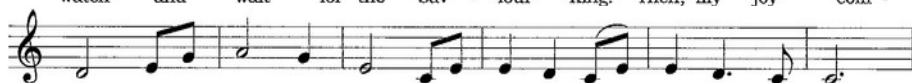
Ancient of Days



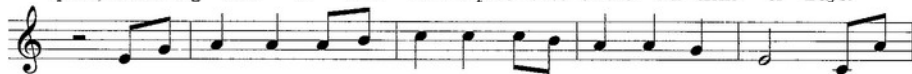
Though the na - tions rage, king - doms rise and fall, there is
Though the dread of night o - ver - whelms my soul, He is
Though I may not see what the fu - ture brings, I will



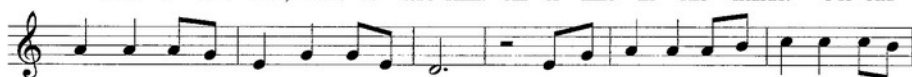
still one King reign - ing o - ver all. So, I will not
here with me. I am not a - lone. O, His love is
watch and wait for the Sav - iour King. Then, my joy com -



fear for this truth re - mains: that my God is the An - cient of Days.
sure and He knows my name. For my God is the An - cient of Days.
plete, stand - ing face to face in the pres - ence of the An - cient of Days.



None a - bove Him, none be - fore Him. All of time in His hands. For His



throne, it shall re - main and ev - er stand. All the pow - er, all the glo - ry, I will



trust in His name. For my God is the An - cient of Days.

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Distribution Hymn # 680

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the
 3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the
 4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

Distribution Hymn

Jesus Paid It All

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Jesus Paid It All'. It consists of five staves of music in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words split across lines. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some rests. The final staff includes a change in time signature to 4/4 and then back to 3/4.

I hear the Sav - ior say, "Thy
 Lord, now in - deed I find Thy
 For no - thing good have I Where -
 And when, be - fore the throne, I

strength in - deed is small, Child of weak - ness, watch and
 pow'r and Thine a - lone, Can change the lep - er's
 by Thy grace to claim; "I'll wash my gar - ments
 stand in Him com - plete, "Je - sus died my soul to

pray, Find in me thine all in all."
 spots And the melt the heart of stone.
 white In the blood of Cal - v'ry's Lamb.
 save," My lips shall still re - peat.

Je - sus paid it all, All to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crim - son stain, He washed it white as snow.

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The Dismissal

Closing Hymn # 924

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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Benediction

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- P** 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.
- C** **Amen.**

This Week at-a-Glance

Today

- Worship Service – 9:00 AM
- Sunday School – 10:45 AM
- Adult Bible Study - 10:45 AM
- Youth Confirmation – 11:45 AM

Wednesday

- Men's Bible Study – 6:30 AM
- Youth Group – 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM @ Staake's Home

Saturday

- Women's Bible Study – 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Announcements

September Ministry Spotlight: Property Team

Property Deacon: Tim Schnicker

St. James' Property Team, comprised of Tim Schnicker, Josh Eberhart, Joel Eberhart, Jonathan Schnicker, Abby Kosten, and Carmen Siewert, is dedicated to maintaining and improving our church property. Their responsibilities include lawn care, landscaping, repairs, maintenance, updates, and renovations. For more information on how to get involved with the Property Team, or to report maintenance issues, contact Property Deacon Tim Schnicker at tim@saintjamesglencarbon.org

Right Now Media

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Glen-Ed Pantry suggests you “TP the Pantry” in October. Toilet paper, paper towels as well as hygiene products are basic needs for everyone but are not covered by SNAP (Food Stamps). By donating these items, you help our families' dollars to go much further. Thank you!

Save the Dates!

October 15	Deadline for National Youth Gathering Registration
October 18	Youth Bonfire @ the Schnicker's
October 26	St. James Hot Treat Table @ the Trunk or Treat at Edwardsville Park
November 3	Operation Christmas Child (Shoe Box) Kick-off
November 24	St. James Pancake Breakfast
November 30	St. James Hot Cocoa Stand @ Glen Carbon Christmas Market
November 30	Advent Decorating
December 21	St. James Christmas Brunch

St. James Guiding Statement

Together we have found healing and hope in Jesus Christ and welcome others to experience these same Gospel promises.



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