

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 10, 2025

702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart;
3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me while I pray; Take all my
My zeal in - spire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my
Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's
Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior, then, in love, Fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly Thine!
love to Thee Pure, warm, and change-less be, A liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From Thee a - side.
trust re-move; O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

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Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Kyrie

- L** Lord, have mercy upon us.
 - C** Christ, have mercy upon us.
 - Lord, have mercy upon us.
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Confession and Absolution

- L** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- L** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John:
"This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin."
- C** **Amen.**

Reflection on God's Forgiveness

- L** God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
 - C** **Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.**
 - L** For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.
 - C** **More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.**
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Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 33:12–22

- L** Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!
- C** **The LORD looks down from heaven;
he sees all the children of man;**
- L** from where he sits enthroned he looks out
on all the inhabitants of the earth,
- C** **he who fashions the hearts of them all
and observes all their deeds.**
- L** The king is not saved by his great army;
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
- C** **The war horse is a false hope for salvation,
and by its great might it cannot rescue.**
- L** Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,
- C** **that he may deliver their soul from death
and keep them alive in famine.**
- L** Our soul waits for the LORD;
he is our help and our shield.
- C** **For our heart is glad in him,
because we trust in his holy name.**
- L** Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.
- 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**
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Gloria in Excelsis



- 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

⁷And he said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you out from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess.” ⁸But he said, “O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” ⁹He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” ¹⁰And he brought him all these, cut them in half, and laid each half over against the other. But he did not cut the birds in half.

¹¹And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹²As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. And behold, dreadful and great darkness fell upon him. ¹³Then the LORD said to Abram, “Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. ¹⁴But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. ¹⁵As for yourself, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. ¹⁶And they shall come back here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”

L This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

⁴By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. ⁵By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. ⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ⁷By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

¹³These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

L This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

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

²²[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. ³⁰For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

³²“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord

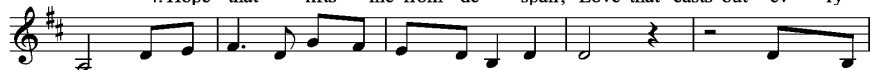
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

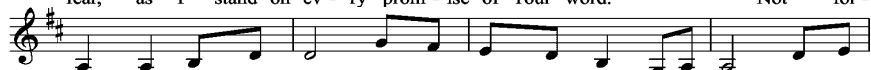
Every Promise



1. From the break - ing of the dawn to the set - ting of the
2. When I stum - ble and I sin, con - dem - na - tion press - ing
3. When I'm faced with an - guished choice, I will lis - ten for Your
4. Hope that lifts me from de - spair; Love that casts out ev - 'ry



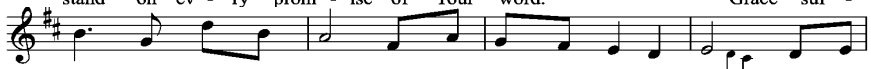
sun, I will stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Words of
in, I will stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. You are
voice, and I'll stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Through this
fear, as I stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Not for -



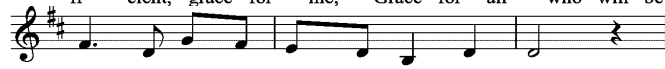
pow - er, strong to save, that will nev - er pass a - way; I will
faith - ful to for - give, that in free - dom I might live. So I
dark and trou - bled land, You will guide me with Your hand, as I
sak - en, not a - lone, for the Com - fort - er has come; And I



stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. For Your
stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Guilt to
stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. And You've
stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Grace suf -



cov - e - nant is sure, and on this I am se - cure: I can
in - no - cence re - stored; You re - mem - ber sins no more. So I'll
prom - ised to com - plete ev - 'ry work be - gun in me. So I'll
fi - cient, grace for me; Grace for all who will be - lieve. We will



stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise from Your word.
stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word.
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stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word.

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Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

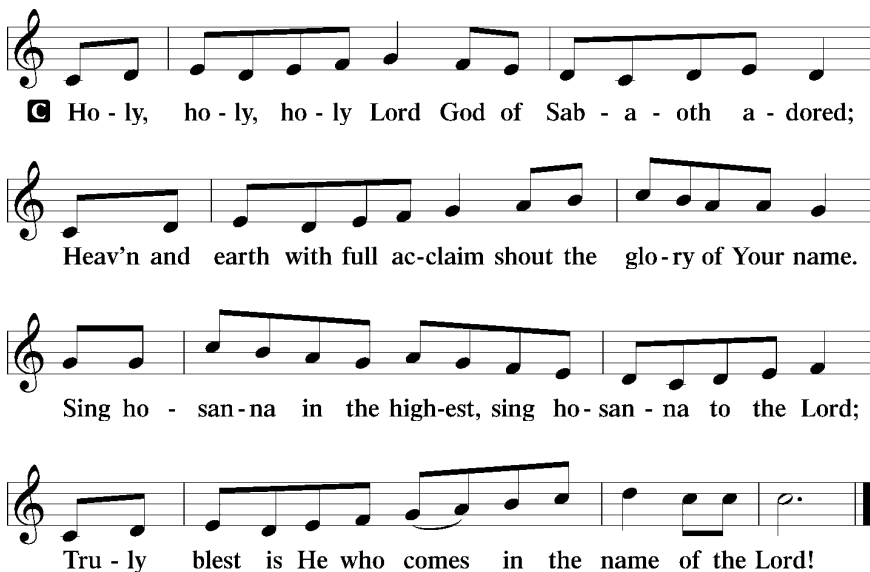
- L** Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- L** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
L Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.
L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
L It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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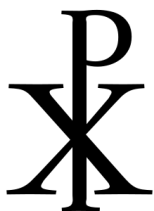
Lord's Prayer

- 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

- L** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

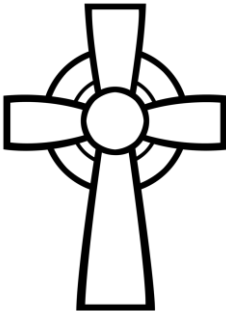
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Agnus Dei

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

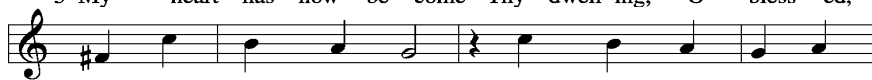
Distribution



619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in
 3 Who can con - demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is
 4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not
 5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell - ing, O bless - ed,



Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and
 Thee and Thou in me. No sor - row fills my
 nigh, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and
 rob me of my cheer; For He who is of
 ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy



strength for - ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
 soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
 thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.
 death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
 prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

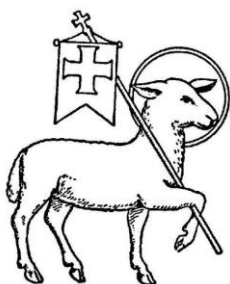
Refrain



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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Come to the Table



1. Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre -
2. *(Instrumental)*
3. *(Repeat Verse 1)*



pared with the wine and the bread; All who are hun - gry and thirst



y, come and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion, re -



ceive from His nail - scarred hand; Eat of the bread of sal - va -



tion, drink of the blood of the Lamb._

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731 O God, Forsake Me Not



1 O God, for-sake me not! Your gra-cious pres-ence lend me;
 2 O God, for-sake me not! Take not Your Spir - it from me;
 3 O God, for-sake me not! Lord, hear my sup - pli - ca - tion!
 4 O God, for-sake me not! Lord, I am Yours for - ev - er.



Lord, lead Your help-less child; Your Ho - ly Spir - it send me
 Do not per - mit the might Of sin to o - ver-come me.
 In ev - 'ry e - vil hour Help me re - sist temp - ta - tion;
 O keep me strong in faith That I may leave You nev - er.



That I my course may run. O be my light, my lot,
 In - crease my fee - ble faith, Which You a - lone have wrought.
 And when the prince of hell My con-sci-ence seeks to blot,
 Grant me a bless - ed end When my good fight is fought;



My staff, my rock, my shield— O God, for-sake me not!
 O be my strength and pow'r— O God, for-sake me not!
 Be then not far from me— O God, for-sake me not!
 Help me in life and death— O God, for-sake me not!

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The Dismissal

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

Amen.

Call to Christian Community

L "For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another" (1 John 3:11). After singing our last song, please take time to greet one another, and if you see someone you don't know, introduce yourself. The Christian life isn't meant to be lived alone, but in community. Now receive God's Blessing:

Benediction

L Let us bless the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

L The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

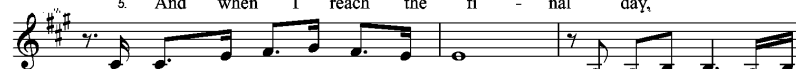
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

The Lord Is My Salvation



1. The grace of God has reached for me,
2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls,
3. My hope is hid - den in the Lord,
4. In times of wait - ing, times of need,
5. And when I reach the fi - nal day,



and pulled me from the rag - ing sea. And I am safe on this
His strength will help me scale these walls. I'll see the dawn of the
He flow'rs each prom - ise of His Word. When win - ter fades, I know
when I know loss, when I am weak. I know His grace will re -
He will not leave me in the grave. But I will rise, He will



sol - id ground: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. (To Verse 2)
ris - ing sun: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. (To CHORUS)
spring will come: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. (To Verse 4)
new these days: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. (To CHORUS)
call me home: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. (To CHORUS)

CHORUS



Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My



debt is paid and the vic - t'ry won: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. (To Verse 3)

(2nd time to Verse 5)

(Last time to BRIDGE)

BRIDGE



Glo - ry be to God, the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to God, the Son, glo - ry



be to God, the Spir - it; The Lord is our sal - va - tion. (Repeat BRIDGE)

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This Week at-a-Glance

Today

- Worship Service (Pastor Tony Boos) – 9:00 AM
- [Adult Bible Study](#) & Youth Confirmation – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- [Sunday School & Youth Confirmation](#) – 10:30 AM (Sanctuary)

Wednesday

- [Men's Bible Study](#) – 6:30 AM (Downstairs)
- Wednesday Community Group – 10:00 AM (Downstairs)

Thursday

- AA Meeting – 6:30 PM (Downstairs)

Saturday

- AA Meeting – 1:30 PM

Announcements

Please welcome our newest brother in Christ who is baptized today: Wyatt Henry Rapp; Born May 23, 2025 to Dave & Paula Rapp. Sponsors: Doug Rapp and Christina Cathcart.

The [Second Tuesday Women's Bible Study](#) group will be starting up again in September on Tuesday the 9th. Apologies for any inconvenience, there was a scheduling conflict for August. Hope to see you in September!

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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