

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2026

Christ Is Mine Forevermore



1. Mine are days that God has num-bered; I was made to walk with Him. Yet, I
2. Mine are tears in times of sor-row, dark-ness not yet un-der-stood. Thru the
3. Mine are days here as a stran-ger, pil-grim on a nar-row way. One with



look for world-ly treas-ure and for-sake the King of kings. But mine is
val-ley I must trav-el where I see no earth-ly good. But mine is
Christ I will en-coun-ter harm and ha-tred for His name. But mine is



hope in my Re-deem-er; though I fall, His love is
peace that flows from heav-en, and the strength in times of
ar-mour for this bat-tle, strong e-nough to last the



sure. For Christ has paid for ev-'ry fail-ing; I am His for-ev-er
need. I know my pain will not be wast-ed; Christ com-pletes His work in
war. And He has said He will de-liv-er safe-ly to the gold-en



more. (Interlude and then to Verse 2)

me. (Interlude and then to Verse 3)

shore. And mine are keys to Zi-on ci-tty where be-side the King I walk. For there my



heart has found its treas-ure; *Christ is mine for-ev-er - more.

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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.

Confession and Absolution

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- L** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- C** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins in Jesus' name. Amen.
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- C** Amen.

Reflection on God's Forgiveness

Romans 5:8-11

- 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 25:1–10

- L** To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
C **O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.**
L Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
C **Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.**
L Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.
C **Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**
L Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!
C **Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**
L He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.
C **All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever, Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis



C 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

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²“What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? ³As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die. . . .

²⁵“Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ²⁶When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. ²⁷Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. ²⁸Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

³⁰“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.”

L This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

New Testament Reading

Philippians 2:1–4, 14–18

¹If there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. . . .

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or questioning, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

L This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁸“What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ ²⁹And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went. ³⁰And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

L This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

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 ✠ everlasting. Amen.

611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part, Balm to heal the
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
all to me; All my wants to Him are known,
and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the
Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.
need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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Sermon - Pastor Tony Boos

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Prayer Response

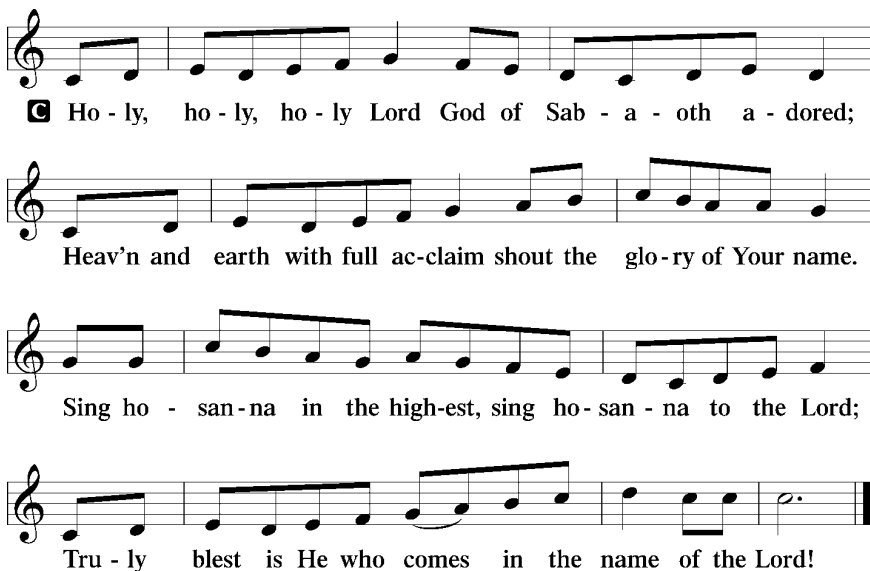
- L** Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.
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Service of the Sacrament

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!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

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

C 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

854 Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go

- 1 Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go,
 My daily labor to pursue,
 Thee, only Thee, resolved to know
 In all I think or speak or do.
- 2 The task Thy wisdom has assigned,
 O let me cheerfully fulfill;
 In all my works Thy presence find,
 And prove Thy good and perfect will.
- 3 Thee may I set at my right hand,
 Whose eyes my inmost substance see,
 And labor on at Thy command,
 And offer all my works to Thee.
- 4 Give me to bear Thine easy yoke,
 And ev'ry moment watch and pray,
 And still to things eternal look,
 And hasten to Thy glorious day.
- 5 For Thee delightfully employ
 Whate'er Thy bounteous grace has giv'n,
 And run my course with even joy,
 And closely walk with Thee to heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–88, alt.
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Behold the Lamb



1. Be hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for
2. The bod - y of our Sav - iour, Je - sus Christ, torn for
3. The blood that cleans - es ev - 'ry stain of sin, shed for
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to re -



us: And we re - mem - ber the prom - ise made that all who
 you: Eat and re - mem - ber the wounds that heal, the death that
 you: Drink and re - mem - ber He drained death's cup that all may
 spond and to re - mem - ber our call to fol - low in the



come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross. So, we share in this
 brings us life, paid the price to make us one. So, we share in this
 en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God. So, we share in this
 steps of Christ as His bod - y here on earth. As we share in His



Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice, as a sign of our
 Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice, as a sign of our
 Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice, as a sign of our
 suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim: Christ will come a - gain! And we'll join in the



bonds of peace a - round the ta - ble of the King.
 bonds of love a - round the ta - ble of the King.
 bonds of grace a - round the ta - ble of the King.
 feast of heav'n a - round the ta - ble of the King.

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563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

- 5 When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
This then shall be my only plea:
Jesus hath lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,
Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thy hands have made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

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The Dismissal

- L** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.
- C** Amen.

Call to Christian Community

- L** The apostle John wrote, “...this is (God’s) commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as He has commanded us” (1 John 3:23). As believers in Jesus, God calls us to community. Please take time to greet and get to know one another after our last song. If you see someone you don’t know, introduce yourself. 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.

Here I Am, Lord



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo- ple cry.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo- ple's pain.
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin-est



make the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? ____
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? ____
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? ____



Here I am, Lord. ____ Is it I, Lord? ____ I have heard you



call-ing in the night. ____ I will go, Lord, ____ if you



lead me. ____ I will hold your peo- ple in my heart. ____

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This Week at-a-Glance

Today

- Worship Service (Pastor Tony Boos) – 9:00 AM
- Adult Bible Study – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- [Sunday School](#) – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- [Church Picnic](#) – 11:40 AM

Wednesday

- [Men's Bible Study](#) – 6:30 AM (Downstairs)

Thursday

- AA Meeting – 6:30 PM (Downstairs)

Saturday

- [LWML – Circle of Friends](#) – 10:00 AM (Downstairs)
- AA Meeting – 1:30 PM

Announcements

Please join us for the annual church picnic today! We will start at 11:30 am, so please stay after Bible Class or come back after church! The church will be providing the meat and drinks so bring a side OR dessert to share. We will have a bounce house, the annual cornhole tournament and bingo! We would love to see you there! Questions? Contact Jen Weber at [618-407-5322](tel:618-407-5322).

St. James Lutheran Church in Glen Carbon is hiring a **Ministry Coordinator!**

Position Details:

- **Hours:** Part-time (10–15 hours per week)
- **Key Responsibilities:** Help coordinate ministry and fellowship opportunities, assist with worship bulletins and quarterly newsletters, support IT and digital announcements, assist Pastor as needed and collaborate on church communication platforms. Work closely with and sub for Church Administrator when needed.

If you have a heart for ministry and organizational skills, we'd love to hear from you!

How to Apply:

- **Contact:** Call Cheryl at [618-531-2186](tel:618-531-2186)
- **Email:** Send your resume to cheryl@stjamesglencarbon.org



Are some sins worse than others? The Bible teaches that there is a moment in our future when each one of us will “stand before the judgment seat of God.” Have you given much thought to this inevitable reality? Do you fear that day, or are you confident that your eternal life is secure? It makes for an interesting discussion on our newest episode of **Craving Answers Craving God**.

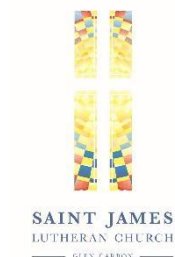
If you have any questions or would like to share a comment, please feel free to reach out to one of our St. James Elders at elders@stjamesglencarbon.org.

Thank you to all our visitors for joining us today! We would love to connect with you. Please complete a visitor card located in the pew or sign in the register in the entryway so we can reach out!

St. James Guiding Statement

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

St. James Mission Pillars



Healing
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Restoration

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