# Ninth Sunday after Trinity 17 August A+D 2025



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#### Prelude

#### Hymn of Invocation: 746 Through Jesus' Blood and Merit

#### Order of Worship: p. 184



Psalm 54:1; antiphon: vv. 4–5

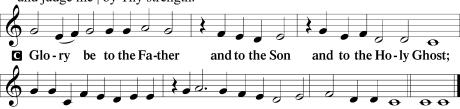
Behold, God is mine | helper;\*

the Lord is with them that up- | hold my soul.

He shall reward evil unto mine | enemies;\*

cut them off in Thy truth, O | LORD my shield.

Save me, O God, | by Thy name,\* and judge me | by Thy strength.



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

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#### Kyrie - Salutation p. 186 ff Collect of the Day

Let Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Sit

# Prophecy Proverbs 16:1-9

The preparations of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord. All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the spirits. Commit your works to the Lord, and your thoughts will be established. The Lord has made all for Himself, yes, even the wicked for the day of doom. Everyone proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord; though they join forces, none will go unpunished. In mercy and truth atonement is provided for iniquity; and by the fear of the Lord one departs from evil. When a man's ways please the Lord, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. Better is a little with righteousness, than vast revenues without justice. A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps.

**A** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



Psalm 8:1

O | LORD, our Lord,\*

how excellent is Thy name in | all the earth:

Who hast set Thy | glory\* above the | heavens!

**Epistle**I Corinthians 10:6b-13

Brethren: We should not lust after evil things as our fathers lusted. And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play." Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell; nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed by serpents; nor complain, as some of them also complained, and were destroyed by the destroyer. Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages have come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

- **A** The Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

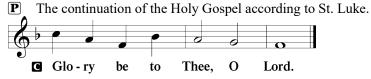


Psalm 78:1

Alleluia. Give ear, O My | people, | to My law. Alleluia.

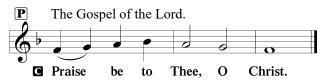
Holy Gospel

Luke 16:1-9



At that time Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples: "There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and an accusation was brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. So he called him and said to him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.' Then the steward said within himself, 'What shall I do? For my master

is taking the stewardship away from me. I cannot dig; I am ashamed to beg. I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.' So he called every one of his master's debtors to him, and said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' And he said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' So he said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' So he said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' And he said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' So the master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light. And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home."



#### Nicene Creed

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 730 What Is the World to Me

Sermon

Offering Hymn: 726 Evening and Morning

Stand

Offertory p. 192 ff

Rite of Adult Confirmation

Prayer of the Church P Lord, in Your mercy; C hear our prayer

**Proper Preface** 

It is truly meet, 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus - Agnus Dei p. 195 ff Sit

Distribution Hymns:

617 O Lord, We Praise Thee /

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table /

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior /

536 One Thing's Needful /

743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure /

Stand

Nunc Dimittis - Benediction p. 199 ff

Hymn to Depart: 898 The Ancient Law Departs

Postlude

#### **Looking Forward to Wednesday**

Lessons: Romans 6:16-18; Luke 16:10-15 Hymns: TLH 430-781-743

#### Looking forward to next Sunday (St. Bartholomew)

Lessons: Jeremiah 7:1-11; I Corinthians 12:2-11; Luke 19:41-48 Hymns: 518:1,23,3-583-670-732/389/757/636/728-805

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# We Welcome Our Guests Today!

We're glad you've joined us in worship today. Please fill out a Visitor Card (located in the pew rack) and hand it to an usher or place it in the offering plate. We also ask that you read "Our Practice Concerning Holy Communion" printed below. Please visit our **Welcome Center** in the narthex and worship with us again soon.

#### Our Practice Concerning Holy Communion

In keeping with the tradition of the early Church and the Lutheran Confessions, we celebrate the Lord's Supper every Lord's Day. Because Holy Communion is an expression of complete unity of faith and doctrine, only members of St. Peter or a sister Missouri Synod congregation may commune. This is not a judgment of the faith of others, but rather an indication of our obedience to the Lord's command that those who kneel together at His altar be in complete unity regarding what they believe and teach. Your respect for our practice concerning the Lord's Supper is appreciated. Please talk to Pastor if you have any questions.

If communing with individual cup, please hold your empty cup until Pastor has passed you with the chalice. And please remember to fill out a Communion card.

### The Gathering of the Offerings

God finances His church. The gathering of the offerings is, therefore, not merely collecting money. It is a holy privilege for those who believe in Jesus Christ. This is our opportunity to gratefully respond to God's love and grace by returning a portion of the gifts He has given us. As God's children, we consider it a special honor to



build and extend His kingdom through our offerings. St. Paul writes, "God loves a cheerful giver" (II Cor. 9:7b NKJV). Our visitors and guests are in no way compelled to contribute to this offering. We ask nothing of our guests except that they return here often to hear more about God's great love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. If anyone wishes to give electronically, you may scan this QR code to set up an account.

#### Small Children

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14). Jesus wants your little ones present with Him during our worship service. And so do we.

When you're little, it's hard to sit without fidgeting or making some noise. And of course babies join us with their songs, too! We consider their small voices to be a part of our sacred music as they learn with us what it is to be a Christian. We encourage their presence throughout the entire service.

If you feel that your children are being too disruptive, please feel free to take them to the nursery that is located on the other side of the Conference Room. A closed-circuit television will bring the service to you. An usher will be happy to direct you.

"Repetitio est mater studiorum: Repetition is the mother of all learning." The more they're here, the easier it will get.

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