

Welcome! As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 21, 2025

10:00 a.m.

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Prelude

“Pasticcio”

Jean Langlais

Opening Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation”

Hymnal #390

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

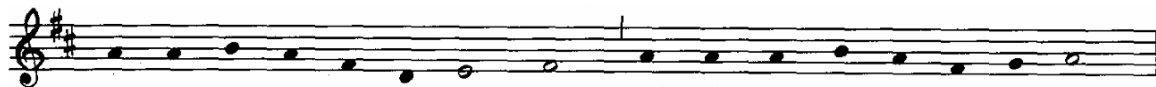
People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

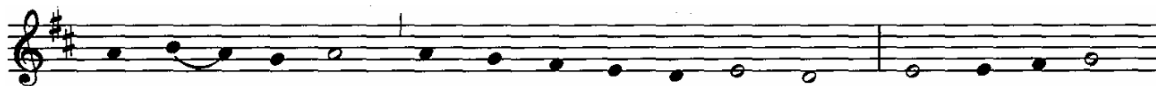
Song of Praise



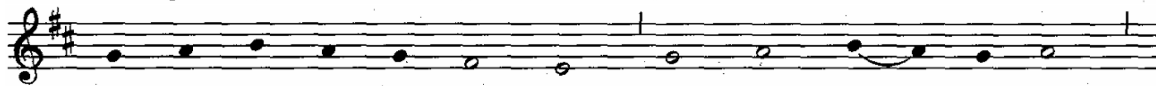
1. Glo- ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



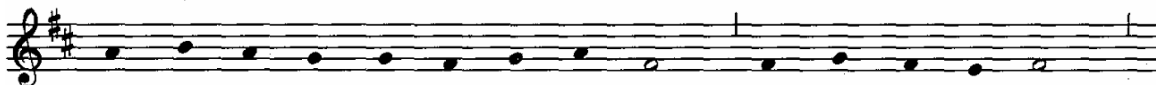
2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



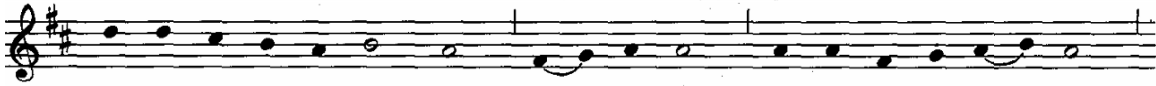
4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson

(Jeremiah 8:18-19:1)

Reader: A reading from the Book of Jeremiah

My joy is gone, grief is upon me,
my heart is sick.

Hark, the cry of my poor people
from far and wide in the land:

"Is the LORD not in Zion?
Is her King not in her?"

("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images,
with their foreign idols?")

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended,
and we are not saved."

For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt,
I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of my poor people
not been restored?

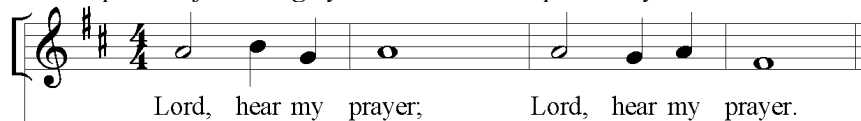
O that my head were a spring of water,
and my eyes a fountain of tears,

so that I might weep day and night
for the slain of my poor people!

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 79

The antiphon is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.



The verses are sung by a cantor. All sing the antiphon where indicated.

O Lord, the godless boast our legacy is theirs;
your holy temple lies in ruin, our faith despairs. ***Antiphon***

Our flesh is torn for meat, and blood, like water, shed;
our bodies wither in the dust, our hope is dead. ***Antiphon***

How long, O God, how long, your fury like a fire
shall blaze until but ash remains of vain desire? ***Antiphon***

Remember not our sins, but mercy to us show;
let your compassion meet our need, and grace bestow. ***Antiphon***

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The Second Lesson

(1 Timothy 2:1-7)

Reader: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy:

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
For

there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all

-- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn “O day of God, draw nigh”

Hymn #601

The Gospel

(Luke 6:1-13)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Dcn. Bob Bagley

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People – Form V

Leader

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy”.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition the People respond: **Lord, have mercy.***

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Matthew our diocesan Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald the President of the United States, Tony the Governor of Wisconsin, and Cory the Mayor of Racine, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community, especially the staff, volunteers and guests of the Hospitality Center, Racine Vocational Ministries, and the Brown Bag Ministry, we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all the blessings of our lives, [especially: _____] , we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who are sick or suffering, [especially: _____], we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, [especially: _____], and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Luke, blessed James DeKoven, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds the following Doxology

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Please kneel or stand.

Minister and People

Most merciful God

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ

have mercy on us and forgive us;

The Priest, stands and says
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you eternal life.
Amen

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture
Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant *People*

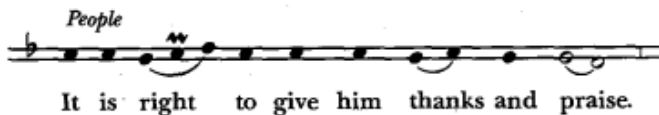
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. . . Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

The people may kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. . .

Therefore, according to your command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
 rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

Setting: Ambrosian anaphora chant; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

The Celebrant continues

And we offer this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you O Lord of all. . .

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours,
 Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Celebrant *People*
 A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People:

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
 dai - ly bread. and for - give us our tres - pas - ses,

as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Plainsong; Adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Cantor
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
All
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Cantor
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there-fore let us
All
keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: From *Missa orbis factor*; Plainsong, Tonus Peregrinus; arr. David Hurd (b. 1950)

Communion

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

In the Episcopal Church, all are welcome at the table of the Lord. If you have been baptized in any Christian tradition, you may receive communion. If you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing or to indicate that you do not want to receive the bread or wine.

Communion Hymn

“Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart”

Hymnal #488

Post-communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant (Name), we send you out to share Communion this week with (Name).

People **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.**

Celebrant May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

“God of grace and God of glory”

Hymn #594

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“God of grace”

Paul Manz

If you are visiting St. Luke’s, we welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord.

If you have any questions or want to know more about St. Luke’s Church, please speak with an usher.

TODAY’S MINISTERS

ACOLYE/S: Michelle and Sofia Reyes

ALTAR GUILD: Tricia Frost

FIRST READER: Hazel Dickfoss

SECOND READER: Marshall Cushman

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Becky Turk

PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY: Roger Mertins

USHERS: Becky Turk, Mike Dillon

CANTOR: Victoria Vollman

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER: Hazel Dickfoss

COFFEE HOUR: Men of the Church

NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR: Vestry

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our Parish

For those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound

Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Ron, Gerald, Jean,
Olivia, Bill, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah, George, Stan, Amber, Gregory

Homebound: Barbara, Jeanne, Bill

For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine:
Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's
Brown Bag Ministry
Diocese of Wisconsin Hospitality Center
Racine Vocational Ministry
The DeKoven Center

For the Church: In the World
Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti
Cadnet Edneron and Charline Irossaint

Thanksgiving for Birthday
Mara Beth

Special Offering
Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the following: **Racine Vocational Ministry**. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Today's **Altar flowers** are given by Cindy Ganzel to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the work of St. Luke's vestry and all members, present and past

James DeKoven Day
All are invited to attend this year's **DeKoven Day** celebration on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, honoring the life and legacy of the Rev. James DeKoven—one of the most respected leaders of the Anglo-Catholic Movement and influential in shaping the modern Episcopal Church.

This year's event will feature a special focus on newly released biography by John E. Magerus, James DeKoven: Biography of a Famous Yet Forgotten Man. The day will begin at 1:00 p.m. with a Eucharist service in St. John's Chapel, followed by a reception and book signing in Taylor Hall featuring author, John E. Magerus. Admission is free, and copies of the book will be available for purchase.

Save the Date

On **Sunday, October 5**, there will be a joint Eucharist with St. Luke's, St. Matthew's and St. Michaels, followed by a picnic potluck. The Eucharist will be held at St. John's Chapel at the DeKoven Center, 2000 Wisconsin Ave, Racine WI 53403, at 10:30am. The picnic will follow in the DeKoven Center Gymnasium.

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