

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.

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 14, 2025 10:00 a.m.

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Prelude in G Major" BWV 568

attr. J.S. Bach

"Soliloquy"

Gordon Young

Opening Hymn "How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!" Hymnal #533

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**.



The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

First Lesson

(Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28)

Reader: A reading from the Book of Jeremiah

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse-- a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish, they do not know me;

they are stupid children, they have no understanding.

They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good."

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light.

I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro.

I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled.

I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger.

For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end.

Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black;

for I have spoken, I have purposed;

I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 14

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.

¹Fools say in their hearts, There is no God.

They are corrupt, every deed is vile; there is no one who does any good.

²The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,

to see if there is anyone who is wise, who seeks after God. Antiphon

³They have all proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; there is none who does good; no, not one.

⁴Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?

⁵See how they tremble with fear,

because God is in the company of the righteous.

⁶Your aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge.

⁷Oh, that Israels deliverance would come out of Zion!

When the Lord restores the fortunes of the people,
Jacob will rejoice and Israel will be glad. *Antiphon*

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The Second Lesson

(1 Timothy 1:12-17)

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

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever.

Amen.

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

Sequence Hymn "My Shepherd will supply my need"

Hymn #664

The Gospel

(Luke 15:1-10)

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Fr. Matthew L. Buterbaugh

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

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.

<u>Prayers of the People – Form V</u>

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, 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 thos
whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints,	they may have rest in that place wher
there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, C	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;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen

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

The Peace All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

"A Miniature on 'Now the Silence'"

Carl Schalk

Based on hymn 333

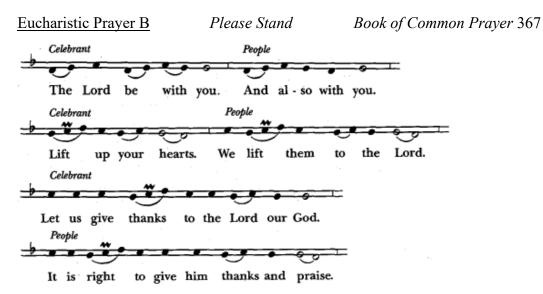
The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture

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*

Celebrant All things come of Thee, O Lord

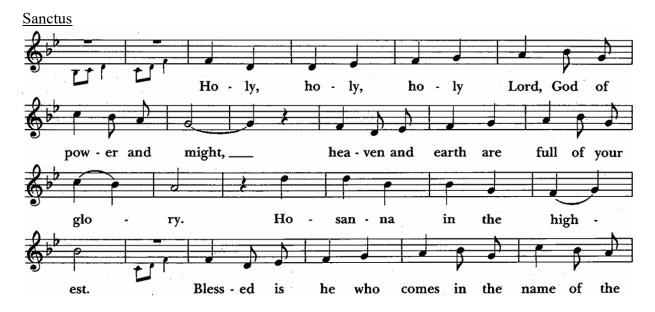
People And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

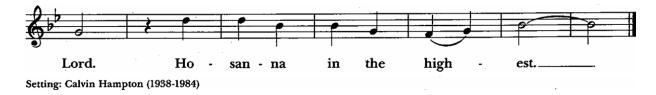
The Great Thanksgiving



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:



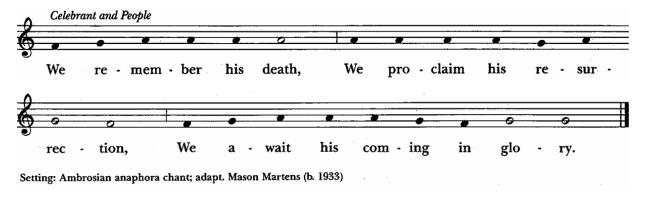


The people may kneel or stand.

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,



The Celebrant continues

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

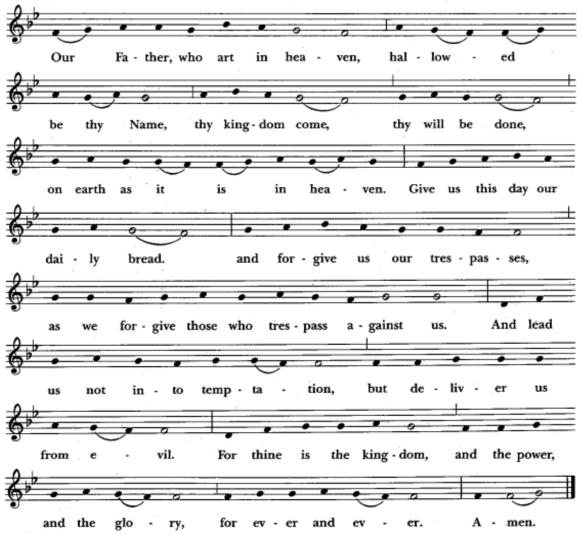
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



The Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant and People:

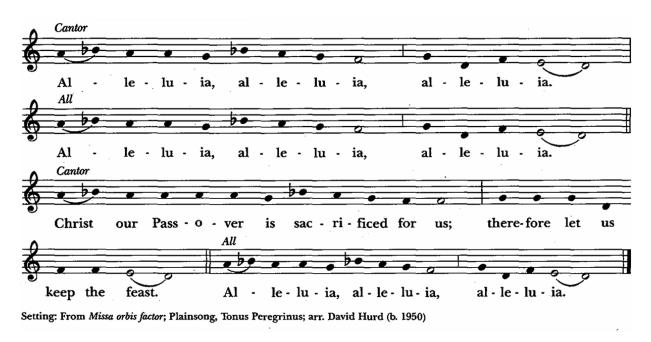


Setting: Plainsong; Adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.



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

"Now the silence"

Hymnal #333

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 "Sing praise to God who reigns above" Hymn #408

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Fanfare on 'Mit Freuden Zart" Brenda Portman

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: Zar Telfeyan

ALTAR GUILD: Debbie Bruno

FIRST READER: Leah Nakamura

SECOND READER: Tricia Frost

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Cindy Ganzel

PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY: Jessica MacPhail

USHERS: Tricia Frost, Debbie Bruno

CANTOR: Jim Cook

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER: Leah Nakamura

COFFEE HOUR: St. Monica's Guild

NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR: Men of the Church

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

The Anglican Church of South America St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti Cadnet Ednerson and Charline Irossaint

Special Offering

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

Today's Altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

Altar Flowers reminder

A reminder that there are openings for our Sunday Altar flowers. Please check the flower chart in Simpson Hall. You can remember a loved one or a special occasion by this nice tribute. If you would like to include a dedication in the bulletin please call, email the church office, or put a note in the offering plate no later than the Wednesday prior to the service. Thanks

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, <u>James DeKoven: Biography of a Famous Yet Forgotten Man.</u> 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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