



An Historic Episcopal Church with a Contemporary Urban Ministry

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 4, 2026

10:00 a.m.

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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.

Prelude

"Fanfare on 'Mit Freuden zart'"

Brenda Portman

"Prelude on 'Shades Mountain'" Robert Buckley Farlee

Based on the tunes for today's opening and sequence hymns.

Opening Hymn

"Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth"

Hymn #5

THE WORD OF GOD

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Priest 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, heaven - 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,



Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Collect

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson

(Isaiah 5:1-7)

Reader A reading from the Book of Isaiah:

Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;

he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns;

I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,

and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;

he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;

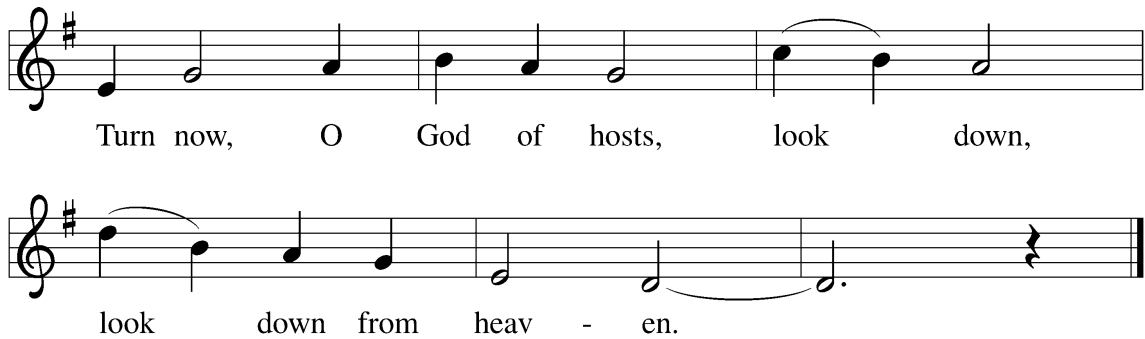
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80:7-14

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.

⁸You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

¹¹You stretched out its tendrils to the sea
and its branches to the river.

¹²Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

¹³The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;

¹⁵behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.

Antiphon

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The Second Lesson

(Philippians 3:4-14)

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Philippians:

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

"There in God's garden"



1 There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,
 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"
 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;
 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f'ring;
 our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.
 hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -
 see there the ten - drils of our hu - man
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -
 Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.
 sor - row, I will give bless - ing."

5 This is my ending
 this my resurrection;
 into your hands, Lord,
 I commit my spirit.
 This have I searched for;
 now I can possess it.
 This ground is holy.

6 All heav'n is singing,
 "Thanks to Christ whose passion
 offers in mercy
 healing, strength, and pardon.
 Peoples and nations,
 take it, take it freely!"
 Amen! My Master!

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The Gospel

(Matthew 21:33-46)

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes’?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Reader

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Matthew L. Buterbaugh

Nicene Creed

Authorized text from Enriching our Worship 2

**Asterisks indicate a variance from the Book of Common Prayer.*

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,

***was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary**

***and became truly human.**

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,**

***who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

***who 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 Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Matthew, our own Bishop; for the Diocese of Wisconsin, as we discern our next 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 the President of the United States, the Governor of Wisconsin, the Mayor of Racine, and all those who are running for office, 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/Kenosha Vocational Ministries, and the Brown Bag Lunch, 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 Priest 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 Priest 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.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

The Priest 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*

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Offertory Voluntary

“Berceuse”

Louis Vierne

Priest All things come of Thee, O Lord

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Please Stand

(BCP 367)

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.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Priest 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: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The people may kneel or stand.

Then the Priest 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.

The musical notation is for a two-part setting. The top part, labeled 'Celebrant and People', is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody for 'We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -'. The second staff contains the melody for 'rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.' The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes.

The Priest 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.

A - men. A - men. A - men.

The musical notation is for a three-part setting of 'A - men.' It is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a single staff with three measures. Each measure contains a half note followed by a quarter rest, with the lyrics 'A - men.' written below. The melody is simple and hymn-like.

Setting: McNeil Robinson (b. 1943)

The Lord's Prayer

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

Priest and People:

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,

The musical notation is for a two-part setting of the Lord's Prayer. It is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody for 'Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed'. The second staff contains the melody for 'be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,'. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes.

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 Priest breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

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



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

Communion

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 “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace / Prayer of St. Francis”

The text of this hymn is a prayer commonly attributed to St. Francis. Today is the 800th anniversary of Francis’ death.

Verses 1, 2, 4



1. Make me a chan - nel of your peace. Where
2. Make me a chan - nel of your peace. Where
4. Make me a chan - nel of your peace. It



there is ha - tred, let me bring your love. Where
there's de - spair in life, let me bring hope. Where
is in par - don - ing that we are par - doned, in



there is in - ju - ry, your par - don, Lord, And
there is dark - ness, on - ly light, And
giv - ing of our - selves that we re - ceive, and in



where there's doubt, true faith in you.
where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.
dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life.

Verse 3

3. Oh, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek So much to be con -

soled as to con - sole. To be un-der-stood as to un-der -

stand. To be loved as to love with all my soul. D.C.

Text: *Prayer of St. Francis*; adapt. by Sebastian Temple, 1928–1997
Tune: Sebastian Temple, 1928–1997; acc. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942
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Dedicated to Mrs. Frances Tracy

Post-communion Prayer

Priest 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

Priest (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.**

Priest 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 "All creatures of our God and King"

Hymn #400

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude "Lasst uns erfreuen"

Mark Sedio

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

ACOLYTE: Roger Mertins

ALTAR GUILD: Cindy Ganzel

FIRST READER: Hazel Dickfoss

SECOND READER: Mick Burke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Geoff Greeley

CANTOR: Madie Lambert

PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY: Mick Burke

USHERS: ?

COFFEE HOUR: Men of the Church

NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR: All Parish Picnic at Dekoven

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our Parish

For the Church: In the World

Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil
St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti
Cadnet Edneron and Charline Irossaint

For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine

Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's Diocese of Wisconsin
Hospitality Center
Racine/Kenosha Vocational Ministry
The DeKoven Center
Brown Bag Ministry

Those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound

Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Ron, Gerald, Jean, Olivia, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah, Elizabeth,
Gregory, Andrea, John, Marcos, Tory, Irene, Lois, Ron, Marvin, Bob, David, Rogelio, Antonio
Homebound: Barbara, Jeanne, Bill

Special Offering

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the **Hospitality Center**. Thank you for your generous support for this ministry.

Today's **Altar flowers** are given by Grace Ellingham to the glory of God

Thanksgiving for Birthday

Waring

Dinner and a Show

On the first Sunday of the month at 5:00pm, St. Luke's will have "Dinner and a Show". We will watch *The Chosen*, a dramatization of the Gospels, and follow with a discussion over dinner. The first Dinner and a Show will be on this Sunday, October 4.

Parish Worship and Picnic

Sunday, October 11th

10:30 am

St. John's Chapel at the DeKoven Center

Potluck Picnic Following in Assembly Hall

Combined worship led by clergy and people of St. Luke's, St. Michael's, and St. Matthew's. Please bring a dish to pass as you are able. These can be dropped off in the Assembly Hall prior to the service. St. Luke's is responsible for providing picnic beverages and helping to offset the cost of the meat. St. Michael's is providing- donations are welcome! Reminder that there will be **NO** worship service at St. Luke's on that day.

Stewardship Message for October 4

Isaiah sang of a vineyard planted with care; Jesus told of tenants who forgot whose vineyard it was. Neither the produce nor the property was ever really the tenants' own — and neither is ours. This week, look for one place in your life where you're tending something that ultimately belongs to God, and consider what it would mean to give the owner his share.

This Week's Invitation

Sign up for one ministry or renew an existing commitment.

Gracious and generous God, all things come of you, and of your own have we to give. Plant in us this season a spirit of joy, not obligation; of trust, not anxiety. Grow St. Luke's in faith, in generosity, and in care for one another and our neighbors. Bless our rector, vestry, staff, volunteers, and all members of our parish; and grant that the time entrusted to this shared ministry may bear fruit far beyond what we can see today. All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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