



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Jalāl al-Dīn Muḥammad Rūmī, 1207-1273

October 16, 2022

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all... an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Love Your Neighbor

- Masks are required coming into the building and in the Narthex. Folks wishing to continue wearing masks for worship are encouraged to sit in the pews on the north side of the Sanctuary; those who wish to remove their masks may sit on the south side of the Sanctuary.
- Those who wish may stand during the opening and closing hymns, the reading of the Gospel, and the communion liturgy.
- During the passing of the peace, we suggest you place your palms together under your chin in the "namaste" posture as a way to share the peace in a distanced way.
- Individual communion elements are available to pick up inside the Sanctuary door or folks can now choose to receive communion at the front of the church from masked servers distributing individual cups for the wine/grape juice.
- If you wish to use one of the first-floor bathrooms, please follow instructions in the bathroom about disinfecting it after your use. Only one person at a time in the restrooms.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude God of Grace arr. Paul Manz

Welcome

Please stand in body or spirit



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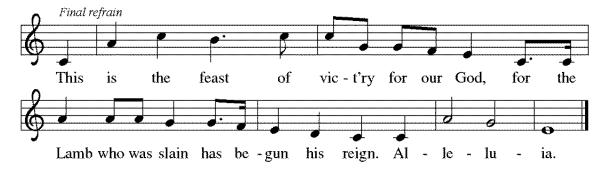
Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise





Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading Jeremiah 31:27-34 (The Message, inclusivized)

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

- "Be ready. The time's coming"—God's Decree—"when I will plant people and animals in Israel and Judah, just as a farmer plants seed. And in the same way that earlier I relentlessly pulled up and tore down, took apart and demolished, so now I am sticking with them as they start over, building and planting.
- "When that time comes you won't hear the old proverb anymore, Parents ate the green apples, their children got the stomachache.
- "No, everyone will pay for their own sin. You eat green apples, you're the one who gets sick.
- "That's right. The time is coming when I will make a brand-new covenant with Israel and Judah. It won't be a repeat of the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took their hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant even though I did my part as their Master." God's Decree.
- "This is the brand-new covenant that I will make with Israel when the time comes. I will put my law within them—write it on their hearts!—and be their God. And they will be my people. They will no longer go around setting up schools to teach each other about God. Everyone will know me firsthand. I'll wipe the slate clean for each of them. I'll forget they ever sinned!" God's Decree.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:97-104



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Oh, how I love your teaching!

All the day long it is lin my mind.

Your commandment has made me wiser | than my enemies, for it is | always with me.

I have more understanding than | all my teachers, for your decrees | are my study.

I am wiser | than the elders, because I observe | your commandments.

I restrain my feet from every | evil way, that I may | keep your word.

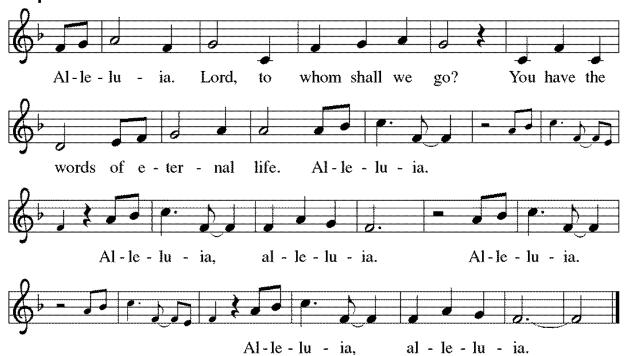
I do not turn aside | from your judgments, because you your- | self have taught me.

How sweet are your words | to my taste!

They are sweeter than honey | to my mouth.

Through your commandments I gain | understanding; therefore I hate every | lying way.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Luke 18.1-8 (The Message, inclusivized)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told his followers a story showing that it was necessary for them to pray consistently and never quit. He said, "There was once a judge in some city who never gave God a thought and cared nothing for people. A widow in that city kept after him: 'My rights are being violated. Protect me!'

"He never gave her the time of day. But after this went on and on he said to himself, 'I care nothing what God thinks, even less what people think. But because this widow won't quit badgering me, I'd better do something and see that she gets justice—otherwise I'm going to end up beaten blackand-blue by her pounding."

Then the Master said, "Do you hear what that judge, corrupt as he is, is saying? So what makes you think God won't step in and work justice for God's people, who continue to cry out for help? Won't God stick up for them? I assure you, God will act quickly. But how much of that kind of persistent faith will the Human One return to find on the earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Message

SEEING WITH THE OTHER EYE

"Heart to Heart, Hand in Hand" Moment

Connie Criswell

Musical Reflection

Build a Longer Table

Senior Choir

Build a longer table, not a higher wall, feeding those who hunger, making room for all. Feasting together, stranger turns to friend, Christ breaks walls to pieces; false divisions end.

Build a safer refuge, not a larger jail; where the weak find shelter, mercy will not fail. For any place where justice is denied, Christ will breach the jail wall, freeing all inside.

Build a broader doorway, not a longer fence. Love protects all people, sparing no expense. When we embrace compassion more than fear, Christ tears down our fences: all are welcome here.

When we lived as exiles, refugees abroad, Christ became our doorway to the reign of God. So must our tables welcome those who roam. None can be excluded; all must find a home.

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Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Community Prayers

Let us pray.... Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Sam Hudson, nephew of Laura and Terry Warren who is deployed to Bulgaria, Kelley Frank, Brittany Amon, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Bennett Whitaker family, family and friends of Nancy Stinson The people of Reformation Lutheran Church, Columbus; Redeemer community member Michelle Clemence

Children's Time

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

Share signs of peace with each other.

And also with you.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

Please stand in body or spirit We Are an Offering Offertory We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic - es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are, that we hope to be, we give to you, give to you. we We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:



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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts.

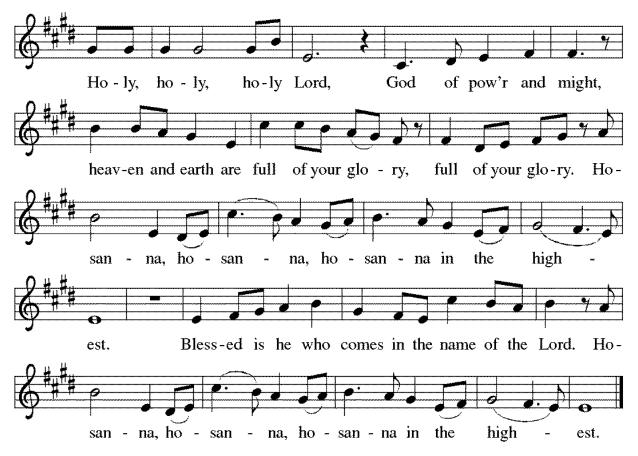
And also with you. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

This is the table of our Lord on which he sets his tokens of love and hope and to which he calls all who want to share his life. So come – whether your faith is strong or weak, whether your hope shines brightly or is dimmed. Come, ready to receive – for all are welcome at the feast of love.

We join our voices now in that great song of love and adoration that creation sings back to you.



We remember on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his friends and said — "Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

After supper, he took a cup of wine and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. As often as you drink this, do so to remember me."

We commit ourselves to becoming a people of hope as we pray the prayer Jesus teaches us:

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

And so, as we do in this place what Christ did in an upstairs room, send your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine, that the story of hope – of death and rising of new life, and the fruit of your beloved community – may continue on in us and through us.

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal. So do we.

Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat.

Hymn I Come with Joy child Ι God, with joy, of for - giv - en, loved, and 1 come a 2 Ι with Chris - tians find, come far and near to as all are Christ breaks bread, and bids share, each proud di - vi sion us - it but ev 4 The Spir of the ris en Christ, un - seen, er To - geth to - geth - er bound by all that God has er met, free, the life of re - call Je sus to in fed, the love new com mu ni ty of in ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and is in such friend ship bet ter known, a near, done, we'll with joy, to give the world the go laid down love laid down love for me, in for me. Christ's com-mu -Christ's com-mu bread. nion bread, in nion strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends. live a - live a - mong us here, a - mong us here.

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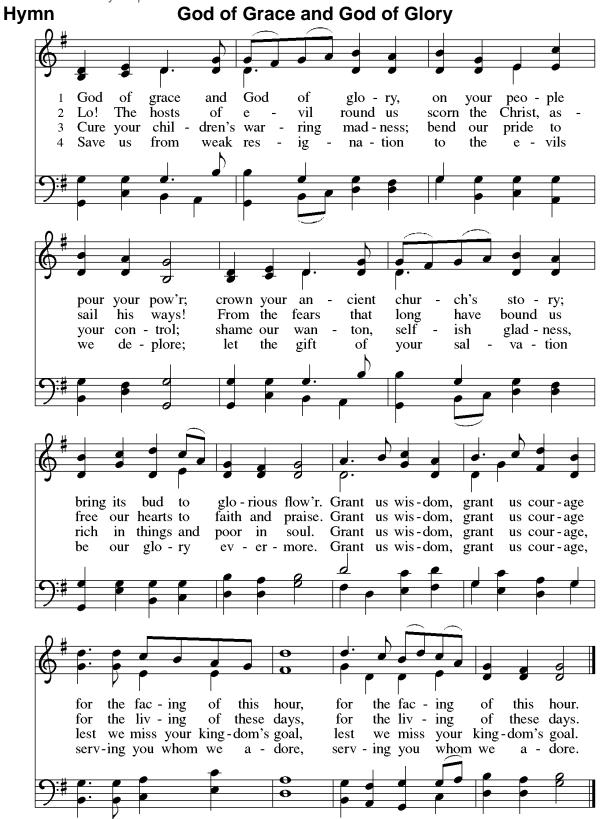
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, whose story and song are now and always the hope of the world – we praise you for the stories of life and renewed life – the unending words of love. We rejoice in your song of yearning and calling, waiting and welcoming, gathering and cherishing – the eternal music of hope.

Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Please stand in body or spirit



Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932 Blessing Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

arr. Paul Manz

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Adult Ed

Sunday, October 16 11:15 am

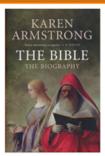
BREAD House Meeting

House meetings are a great opportunity to talk about justice issues that you care about and to hear about what is going on with BREAD

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Meeting ID: **857 6635 5631** – Passcode: **312394**

Phone **312-626-6799**



"The Bible: A Biography"

Bible Study Tuesday October 18 1:00 pm

We'll look at how it came together, different ways it has been interpreted over the centuries, and how we might hear God's Spirit alive in it today.

Join us in-person or on Zoom, from 1-2:30. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89117821516?pwd=d0 lhUlg0Zi92YjIvU0taeWpYcWFhQT09 Meeting ID: 891 1782 1516 = Passcode: 513561 Phone only: 312-626-6799



Wednesday, October 19 7-8:30 pm

The Shack

William P. Young

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Coffee and Conversation Wednesday October 19

11:00 AM-12:30 PM - Narthex

Honest exploration of questions about faith and life



LSS/MidOhio Food Collective Produce Giveaway Thursday October 20

Thursday October 20

Extras this month: cleaning supplies

Volunteers always welcome!
Please advise either the Church Office or Sue Watson
(sue.watson@columbus.rr.com or 614-560-4261).

We need an accurate count and appreciate your support!









OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister David Shull, Pastor **Assisting Minister** Kay Ernsthausen Karen Rider Reader Scott Steiner Cantor **Organist & Senior Choir Director** Kathy Rapp **Pianist & Chime Choir Director** Karen Kent **Ruth Murray Usher** Michelle Clemence Verger Lynn Belhorn, Kathleen Zwanziger **Communion Prep** Sue Yehling, Tom Mimlitch **Producers** Hospitality Katie Jacobs

Flowers are dedicated by **Emily Kent** celebrating **Miles' 11**th **birthday**. Noisy Offering will go to Lutheran Disaster Response.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER OCTOBER 16 - 23

Today	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	In-Person and Livestream Worship
		with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	In-Person and Zoom Adult Education
Monday	7:00 pm	Congregation Council
Tuesday	1:00 pm	In-Person and Zoom Bible Study
	5:00 pm	ZOOM Outreach Team
Wednesday	11:00 am	Coffee and Conversation
_	7:00 pm	Book Group
Thursday	3-6:00 pm	LSS / MidOhio Food Giveaway
Saturday	10:00 am	Active Shooter Training
Next Sunday	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
-	10:00 am	In-Person and Livestream Worship
		with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	In-Person and Zoom Adult Education

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