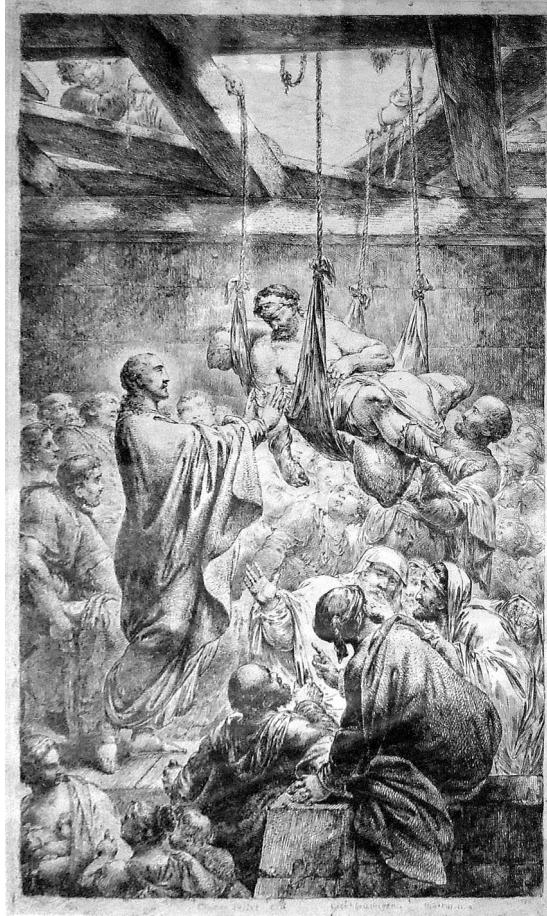


THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Hymn ----- All Who Believe and Are Baptized

CW 299

1. All who believe and are baptized
Shall see the Lord's salvation;
Baptized into the death of Christ,
They are a new creation.
Through Christ's redemption they shall stand
Among the glorious, heav'nly band
Of ev'ry tribe and nation.
2. With one accord, O God, we pray:
Grant us your Holy Spirit.
Help us in our infirmity
Through Jesus' blood and merit.
Grant us to grow in grace each day
That by this sacrament we may
Eternal life inherit.

Stand.

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and
penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to
forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

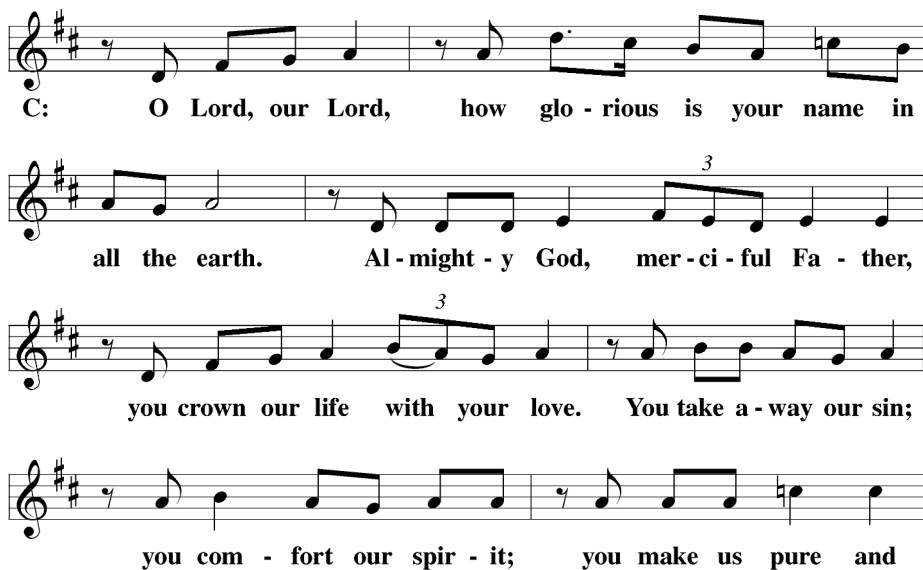


M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O Lord, Our Lord





ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness, keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson ----- Isaiah 44:21-23

Remember these things, O Jacob, because you are my servant, Israel. I am forming you to be my servant. You, Israel, you will never be forgotten by me. I am blowing away your rebellious deeds like a cloud, and your sins like a mist. Return to me, because I am redeeming you.

Shout for joy, you heavens, because of what the LORD is doing.

Make a joyful shout, you depths of the earth.
Burst forth with shouts of joy, you mountains,
you forest and every tree in it,
because the LORD has redeemed Jacob,
and in Israel he will display his beauty.

Anthem ----- Trust and Obey Children's Choir

When we walk with the Lord
In the Light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds in our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still
And with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet,
Or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do,
Where He sends we will go
Never fear, only trust and obey.

Trust and obey for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey.

Second Lesson ----- Ephesians 4:22-28

As far as your former way of life is concerned, you were taught to take off the old self, which is corrupted by its deceitful desires, and to be renewed continually in the spirit of your mind, and to put on the new self, which has been created to be like God in righteousness and true holiness.

Therefore, after you put away lying, let each of you speak truthfully with your neighbor, be-

cause we are all members of one body. "Be angry, yet do not sin." Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry. Do not give the Devil an opportunity. Let the one who has been stealing steal no longer. Instead, let him work hard doing what is good with his own hands, so that he has something to share with a person who is in need.

Verse of the Day

Isaiah 43:25

M: Alleluia. I, yes I, am he. I blot out your rebellious deeds for my own sake,
and I will not remember your sins. Alleluia.



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Stand.

Gospel ----- Matthew 9:1-8

Jesus got into a boat, crossed over, and came to his own town. There people brought to him a man who was paralyzed, lying on a stretcher. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, “Take heart, son! Your sins are forgiven.”

Then some of the experts in the law said among themselves, “This fellow is blaspheming!”

Since Jesus knew their thoughts, he said,

“Why are you thinking evil in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins,” he then said to the paralyzed man, “Get up, take your stretcher, and go home.”

The man got up and went home. When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe and glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated.

Hymn of the Day ----- Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him

CW 235

1. Praise the Almighty; my soul, adore him!
Yes, I will laud him until death.
With songs and anthems I'll come before him
As long as he allows me breath.
From him my life and all things came;
Bless, O my soul, his holy name. Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Penitent sinners, for mercy crying,
Pardon and peace from him obtain;
Ever the wants of the poor supplying,
Their faithful God he will remain.
He helps his children in distress,
The widows and the fatherless. Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. Trust not in princes, they are but mortal;
Earthborn they are and soon decay.
Vain are their counsels at life's last portal
When the dark grave will claim its prey.
Since, then, no one can help afford,
Trust only Christ, our God and Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
4. Praise, all you people, the name so holy
Of him who does such wondrous things!
All that has being, to praise him solely,
With happy heart its Amen sings!
Children of God, with angel host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sermon ----- Matthew 9:1-8

He Has the Authority

Stand.

Nicene Creed

C: 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 fully 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 and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Be seated.

Offering

Stand.

Prayer of the Church

*The minister calls for the petitions and the congregation prays with “**Lord, have mercy.**”*

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For clean hearts created by the forgiveness of Christ, that we may put off the old ways of sin and walk in the way of His commandments, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

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of the Gospel here and around the world.



- M: For the ministers of the Church, that our God who has given such authority to men to forgive sins would focus their every word and deed toward this Office of the Keys; and that the Gospel may predominate in our worship and life together, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: That our homes may be filled with the Spirit of God, and that He would work forgiveness, righteousness and holiness among us, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For Donald Trump, our president; Michael Kehoe, our governor; and all our leaders, that even as God rules the world by His mighty power, He would be pleased to give our nation wisdom, peace and success in accordance with His commandments, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the sick, broken and needy among us, [*especially* _____,] that Christ who has authority over sin and death would grant them healing now and resurrection at the Last Day, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For all who come to the altar this day, that they would see this as the very house of God and gate of heaven, where Christ is bodily present to forgive, heal and renew us in true righteousness and holiness, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For zeal in our witness to Christ, that we would bring those we know and love to His feet to receive the healing of forgiveness, which alone restores true life, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: Almighty and everlasting God, by Your Son, Jesus Christ, You mercifully helped the paralytic in body and soul. We implore You, be gracious to us also. Forgive our sins and govern us by Your Holy Spirit, that we may not be the cause of our own sickness or afflictions. Keep us in Your fear and strengthen us by Your grace, that we may escape wrath and punishment both temporal and eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom
come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our
daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who tres-
pass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sanctus



Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

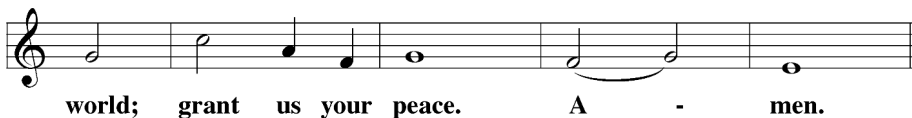
M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O Christ, Lamb of God

Agnus Dei





Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

In Holy Communion we believe that Jesus gives us his own body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of our sins. We ask that, in keeping with God's Word, only confirmed members who are in confessional unity with our church (WELS and ELS) would come forward to receive this sacrament. If you have any questions or are interested in communicant membership, please speak with the pastor.

During the distribution, the congregation sings the following hymn:

Hymn ----- I Come, O Savior, to Your Table

CW 310

Refrain:

**Lord, may your body and your blood
Be for my soul the highest good!**

1. I come, O Savior, to your table, For weak and weary is my soul;
O Jesus, you alone are able To satisfy and make me whole. ***Refrain***
2. Oh, grant that I in manner worthy May now trust solely in your Word,
And, conscious of the sins before me, Look only unto you, O Lord.
Refrain
3. Unworthy though I am, O Savior, Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet you your lamb will banish never, Nor will your faithfulness depart.
Refrain
4. Oh, let me loathe all sin forever As death and poison to my soul,
That I through willful sinning never May see your judgment take its toll!
Refrain

5. Your heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to you in faith are turning; So let me, too, come trustingly.
Refrain
6. Weary am I and heavy laden; With sin my soul is sore oppressed.
Receive me graciously and gladden My heart, for I am now your guest.
Refrain
7. You here will find a heart most lowly That feels unworthy in your sight,
That duly weeps o'er sin, yet solely Your merit pleads, as it is right.
Refrain
8. By faith I call your holy table The testament of your deep love,
For by your gift I now am able To know the heart of God above. *Refrain*
9. What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace.
Refrain
10. This feast is manna, wealth abounding
Unto the poor, to weak ones pow'r,
To angels joy, to hell confounding, And life for me in death's dark hour.
Refrain
11. Your body, giv'n for me, O Savior,
Your blood, which you for me have shed-
These are my life and strength forever; By them my hungry soul is fed.
Refrain
12. With you, Lord, I am now united; I live in you and you in me.
No sorrow fills my soul; delighted, It finds its peace on Calvary. *Refrain*
13. Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is near, who justifies.
No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. *Refrain*

14. Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer,
For he who is of death the master With help and strength is always near.

Refrain

15. My heart has now become your dwelling, O blessed, holy Trinity.
With angels I, your praises telling, Shall live in joy eternally. *Refrain*

THANKSGIVING

Stand.

Thank the Lord



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev'-ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Blessing

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



Be seated.

Hymn ----- Built on the Rock

CW 529

1. Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling.
Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling,
Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the soul distressed,
Longing for rest everlasting.
2. Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling;
High above earth his temple stands, All earthly temples excelling.
Yet he who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love,
Making our bodies his temple.
3. We are God's house of living stones, Built for his own habitation.
He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of his wondrous salvation.
Were we but two his name to tell, Yet he would deign with us to dwell
With all his grace and his favor.
4. Here stands the font before our eyes, Telling how God did receive us.
Th' altar recalls Christ's sacrifice And what the sacrament gives us.
Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim
Christ yesterday, today, the same,
And evermore, our Redeemer.
5. Grant then, O God, your will be done,
That, when the church bells are ringing,
Many in saving faith may come Where Christ his message is bringing:
"I know my own; my own know me.
You, not the world, my face shall see.
My peace I leave with you always."



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