

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

14 September 2025

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Processional: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Come Thou Fount of every blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it,  
Mount of God’s unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;  
Hither by Thy help I’m come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I’m constrained to be!  
Let that grace now like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

**Acclamation**

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

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

**Collect for Purity**

**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 Decalogue**

God spoke these words and said:

I am the Lord your God, you shall have no other gods but me.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honor your father and your mother.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not murder.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not commit adultery.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not steal.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not covet.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.**

**Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray: Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the Cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

**Lessons**

Old Testament: Exodus 13:17—14:4,10–31

At the conclusion of the OT lesson the reader says: The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 23**

1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**2 He makes me lie down in green pastures.**

**He leads me beside still waters.**

3 He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness

for his name’s sake.

**4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**

**I will fear no evil,**

**for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff,**

**they comfort me.**

5 You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

**6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me**

**all the days of my life,**

**and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD**

**forever.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 10:1–14

At the conclusion of the NT lesson the reader says: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Open My Eyes**

Open my eyes, Lord

Help me to see Your face

Open my eyes, Lord

Help me to see

Open my ears, Lord

Help me to hear Your voice

Open my ears, Lord

Help me to hear

Gospel: The reader introduces the Gospel lesson saying: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (17:6–19).

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel lesson, the reader says: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Open my heart, Lord

Help me to love like You

Open my heart, Lord

Help me to love

I live within You

Deep in Your heart, oh love

I live within You

Rest now in me

**Nicene Creed**

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

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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, 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.**

**Sermon: Lead Us Not into Temptation**

**Offertory: The Lord Is My Shepherd (Psalm 23)**

The Lord is my shepherd, there’s nothing I need  
You lead me to the safest places  
You lead me to the safest places  
To walk in the meadow and lie by the stream  
You meet me in the quiet places  
You meet me in the quiet places

Your goodness and Your mercy will follow me  
All the days of my life  
All the days of my life  
And I’ll dwell in Your house for eternity  
I’ll be there by Your side  
I’ll be there by Your side

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death  
I don’t have to fear no evil for I know that You are with me  
With oil of blessing, You cover my head  
You fill me to overflowing, my cup is overflowing

And Your goodness and Your mercy will follow me  
All the days of my life  
All the days of my life

And I’ll dwell in Your house for eternity  
I’ll be there by Your side  
I’ll be there by Your side  
All the days of my life  
All the days of my life

You prepare a table before me  
Right in front of my enemies  
You’re the shepherd of my soul  
You lead me in the right direction  
My comfort and my protection  
You’re the shepherd of my soul

And Your goodness and Your mercy will follow me  
All the days of my life  
All the days of my life  
And I’ll dwell in Your house for eternity  
I’ll be there by Your side  
I’ll be there by Your side  
All the days of my life (all the days of my life)  
All the days of my life (all my life)

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord, **And of your own have we given you.**

**Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying: Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

**Exhortation, Confession, and Absolution of Sin**

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear.**

**Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Presbyter:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Comfortable Words**

**Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,**

**Praise Him all creatures here below,**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**The Sursum Corda**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**The Sanctus**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,**

**blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Prayer of Humble Access**

**We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

**The Prayer of Consecration**

**The Ministration of Communion**

**In Christ Alone**

In Christ alone my hope is found

He is my light, my strength, my song

This cornerstone, this solid ground

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love, what depths of peace

When fears are stilled, when strivings cease

My comforter, my all in all

Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh

Fullness of God in helpless babe

This gift of love and righteousness

Scorned by the ones He came to save

Till on that cross as Jesus died

The wrath of God was satisfied

For every sin on Him was laid

Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay

Light of the world by darkness slain

Then bursting forth in glorious day

Up from the grave He rose again

And as He stands in victory

Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me

For I am His and He is mine

Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death

This is the power of Christ in me

From life’s first cry to final breath

Jesus commands my destiny

No power of hell, no scheme of man

Can ever pluck me from His hand

Till He returns or calls me home

Here in the power of Christ I’ll stand

**Grace Greater than All Our Sin**

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,

Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!

Yonder on Calvary’s mount out-poured,

There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

*Chorus*

Grace, grace, God’s grace,

Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;

Grace, grace, God’s grace,

Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold,

Threaten the soul with infinite loss;

Grace that is greater–yes, grace untold–

Points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,

Freely bestowed on all who believe!

All who are longing to see His face,

Will you this moment His grace receive?

*Chorus*

**Who Would True Valor See**

Who would true valor see,

Let him come hither;

One here will constant be,

Come wind, come weather.

There’s no discouragement

Shall make him once relent

His first avowed intent

To be a pilgrim.

Whoso beset him round

With dismal stories

Do but themselves confound;

His strength the more is.

No lion can him fright,

He’ll with a giant fight,

But he will have a right

To be a pilgrim.

Hobgoblin, nor foul fiend,

Can daunt his spirit;

He knows he at the end

Shall life inherit.

Then fancies fly away,

He’ll fear not what men say,

He’ll labor night and day

To be a pilgrim.

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**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 trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom.**

**And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*Refrain*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, Heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
You take away the sin of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
  
For you alone are the Holy One;  
you alone are the Lord.  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God, the Father.

**Blessing**

All our problems

**We send to the cross of Christ.**

All our difficulties

**We send to the cross of Christ.**

All the devil’s works

**We send to the cross of Christ.**

All our hopes

**We set on the risen Christ.**

**Recession**

**Dismissal**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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