

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

9:30am Worship

The Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

*** Confession & Forgiveness p. 94-96**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God, C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

*** Gathering Hymn #865**

“Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven”

*** Greeting p. 147** *P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.*

*** Kyrie p. 147** *P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy.*

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C: Amen.

*** Glory to God p. 148**

*** The Prayer of the Day (all pray)** **Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come by peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Lesson: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

⁴Now the rabble that was among them had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, “Oh that we had meat to eat!” ⁵We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the

garlic. ⁶ But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

¹⁰ Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹ Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹² Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,’ to the land that you swore to give their fathers? ¹³ Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, ‘Give us meat, that we may eat.’ ¹⁴ I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. ¹⁵ If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness.”

¹⁶ Then the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you.

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶ Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” ²⁸ And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” ²⁹ But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!”

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading – Psalm 19:7-14

L:⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;

C:⁸ the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;

L:⁹ the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.

C:¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

L:¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

C:¹² Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

L:¹³ Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

ALL:¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Second Lesson: James 5:13-20

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will

save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

¹⁹ My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, ²⁰ let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

* **Gospel Acclamation** p. 151

* **Gospel Announcement**

* Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 9th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* **The Gospel Lesson:** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-50

³⁸ John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹ But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰ For the one who is not against us is for us. ⁴¹ For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

⁴² "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. ⁴³ And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire.

⁴⁵ And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell.

⁴⁷ And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸ 'where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' ⁴⁹ For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰ Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Hymn #744 (vs. 1,2,3)

"Lord, Be Glorified"

The Sermon

"A Radical Kind Of Christianity"

(sermon text: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-50)

Pastor William Shields

* **Apostles' Creed** *(on screen)*

The Hymn of the Day #685

"Take My Life, That I May Be"

Offering

* **Offering Response #186**

"Create In Me A Clean Heart"

Prayers

* **The Lord's Prayer** p. 154 **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 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, forever and ever. Amen.**

* **Benediction**

* **Sending Hymn #261** (TOSB)

"In The Garden"

* **Dismissal** *P:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Announcements:

Altar Flowers
Given in memory of
Harold & Eunice Belkholm
by Dianne Van Drew, Joanne
Sheldon and Family

Please stay in your seats after worship
for the Special Congregational Meeting
to vote on repairing the parsonage front
porch.

Weekly Schedule of Activities

Tues. 10/1	7:00am Jr. High Study 7:00pm Committee Night
Wed. 10/2	6:30am Men's Bible Study 7:00am Sr. High Study 11:00am Pastor's Study 1:00pm Prayer Group 7:00pm Choir
Thurs. 10/3	6:00pm Pastor's Study
Sat. 10/5	7:00am Gideon's Meeting
Sun. 10/6	9:30am Worship/ Comm. Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School New Member Class

Continued Prayers for Cancer patients: Brenda Cook, Gary Schail, Eric David (*brother-in-law to Rob Buchanan*), **Michael Frandsen** (*brother of Lani Swinford*), **Rodney Smith** (*brother of Duane*), **Janet Stringer** (*sister of Jerry Zibert*), **John Baird, Joe Cartwright** (*friend of Jeff & Jennifer Jaques*), **Don Kyle, Dale Heinkel** (*former member*), **Julie Howard** (*daughter of Hank & Evelyn Sale*), **Jeff Sorensen** (*son of Hank & Evelyn Sale*)
Others: **Val Blythe** (*heart*), **Sandi Smith** (*health issues*), **Melissa Castro** (*foot*), **Nancy Hartz** (*knee*), **Azeem Hosein** (*broken ankle*), **Phil Ringenberg** (*friend of Dale Fiste – health issues*)