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AMONG YOURSELVES, AND BE AT  
PEACE WITH ONE ANOTHER.”**

***- MARK 9:50***

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# Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

*WELCOME, Dear Guest! We are happy to have you join us for worship today. May the Lord speak to your heart and supply help for your life as we listen to God's Word. Please fill out a Welcome Card to place in the offering box and come back soon!*

**PRAYER AS WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP:** Almighty God, in this time of worship, please help us to be thankful of the salvation which You have so graciously given us. This we ask in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

**Welcome and Announcements** + Please silence your cell phones +

**Prelude** "Andante Cantabile" [Violin: Peggy Nogle-Mott] (Seitz)

*Suggested words for meditation while listening - LSB 768.*

## 681 Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit

1 Send, O Lord, Your Ho - ly Spir - it On Your ser - vant  
2 You, O Lord, Your - self have called him For Your pre - cious  
3 Help, Lord Je - sus, help him nour - ish All our chil - dren

now, we pray; Let him prove a faith - ful shep - herd  
lambs to care; But to pros - per in his call - ing,  
with Your Word That in ter - vent love they serve You

That no lamb be led a - stray, Your pure teach - ing to pro -  
He the Spir - it's gifts must share. Give him wis - dom from a -  
Till in heav'n their song is heard. Bound - less bless - ings, Lord, be -

claim, To ex - tol Your ho - ly name, And to feed Your  
bove, Fill his heart with ho - ly love; In his weak - ness,  
stow On his faith - ful toil be - low Till by grace to

lambs, dear Sav - ior, Make his aim and sole en - deav - or.  
Lord, be near him, In his prayers, Good Shep - herd, hear him.  
him be giv - en His re - ward, the crown of heav - en.

*Stand*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C** Amen.

## Gloria in Excelsis



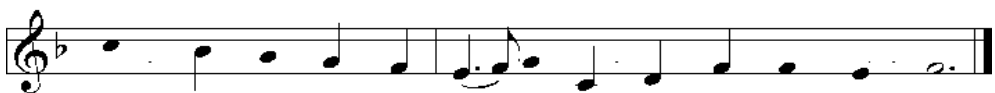
**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray. Everlasting Father, source of every blessing, mercifully direct and govern us by Your Holy Spirit that we may complete the works You have prepared for us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29*

<sup>4</sup>Now the rabble that was among [the children of Israel] had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, “Oh that we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup>We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. <sup>6</sup>But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at. . . .”

<sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>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? <sup>12</sup>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? <sup>13</sup>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.’ <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>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.”

<sup>16</sup>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. . . .”

<sup>24</sup>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. <sup>25</sup>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.

<sup>26</sup>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. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” <sup>28</sup>And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” <sup>29</sup>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!”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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## Epistle

*James 5:1–20*

<sup>1</sup>Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. <sup>2</sup>Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. <sup>3</sup>Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. <sup>4</sup>Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. <sup>5</sup>You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. <sup>6</sup>You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.

<sup>7</sup>Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. <sup>8</sup>You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. <sup>9</sup>Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. <sup>10</sup>As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

<sup>12</sup>But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your “yes” be yes and your “no” be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

<sup>13</sup>Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

<sup>19</sup>My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, <sup>20</sup>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.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Choir** (11:00)

“God of Grace & God of Glory”

(American/Johnson)

## Holy Gospel

Mark 9:38–50

<sup>38</sup>John said to [Jesus], “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” <sup>39</sup>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. <sup>40</sup>For the one who is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>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.

<sup>42</sup>“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. <sup>43</sup>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. <sup>45</sup>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. <sup>47</sup>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, <sup>48</sup>‘where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.’ <sup>49</sup>For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>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.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

## 839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light

### Sermon

*Stand*

### Prayer of the Church

#### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

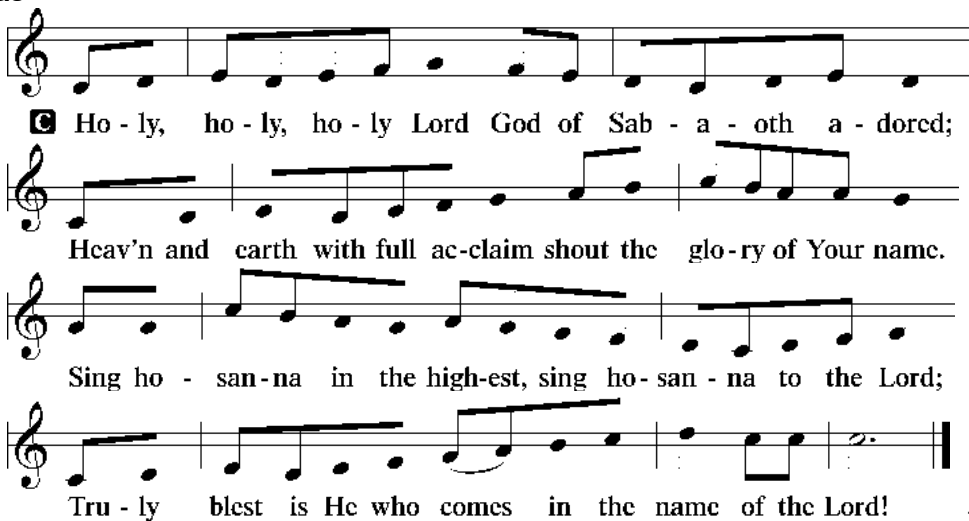
**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## 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 forever and ever. Amen

## The Words of Our Lord

### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

### Agnus Dei

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true us, Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Sit*

## Distribution

*For our visitors this morning:*

Our Lord Jesus Christ comes to us in a special way in Holy Communion. As Lutheran Christians we believe and confess that our Savior Jesus is truly present in this holy meal, sharing His forgiveness, life, and salvation with us and with all who come in repentant faith. Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Sacrament and share this belief and understanding are invited to join us in the Lord's Supper. If you are unsure about your participation please speak with the Pastor before the service.

To receive the host, please extend your hand clearly, so that the distributing elder can place it in your hand. Then Pastor will distribute the individual cups of wine (you will dispose of the empty cup in the basket as you return to your pew). If you are not partaking, please cross your arms in front of you so that Pastor can give you a blessing.



# Special Music

## “Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior”

(arr. Organ)

[Violin: Peggy Nogle-Mott]

*Stand*

### Nunc Dimittis

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

### Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus & Benediction

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## 924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's  
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling

joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,  
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion  
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,

Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;  
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.  
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

## Silent Prayer

### Postlude

“O God, O Lord of Heaven & Earth”

(Bender/Wold)

Offering - *please place in offering boxes near sanctuary exits*



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## Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

**FAMILY PRAYERS:** We give thanks to God for our 60 years of proclaiming the Gospel and administering the Sacraments here at Faith Lutheran Church in Sequim, WA. We continue to pray for all those undergoing medical care or recovering including: Lee Bull, Gloria McGrath, Renita Gormley, Diane Clark, Lawrence Kettel, Erik Simpson, Linda Bruce, Deacon Tim Bruce, Tom & Bonita Hoskins, Dorothy Ludke, Bob Schoessler, Fred Swenson, Bob Barclay, Patti Weizel and son Kelly, Carolyn Stephens, Jean Collinson, Pat Skinner, Don Haas, Debbie Hayes, Larry Latson, Jean Gookins, Bruce Ludke, and for all our shut-ins. Missionaries of the month: Rev. Tim & Heidi Norton & their children Philip & Leslie serving at a mission site in Navajo, N.M.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Given to the glory of God for all His many blessings by Sylvia & Terry Baxter in celebration of their 46<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**THOSE SERVING TODAY:** **Elder:** (8:30) Jon Wendt; (11:00) Norm Drewett

**Greeters:** (8:30) Jim & Ann Jensen; (11:00) Victor & Patti Vardanega

**Altar Care:** Jackie Dawley & Judy Tissot; **Counters:** Lynn & Jane Thompson

**Lectors:** (8:30) Jon Wendt; (11:00) Peggy Streeter

**Ushers:** (8:30) Bill Eichler, Roger Harmann; (11:00) Ron & Greta Kocol

**Audio/Visual Team:** Pat Moored, Paul Schwabe, George Haslett



### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK:** [Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 & 11 am]

**TODAY:** 9:45 – 10:45 am Special Voters' Meeting; **Sunday School**

**MONDAY:** 10 am – 12 pm LWML Laundry Mission  
1 pm Line Dancing Class in the multi-purpose room

**TUESDAY:** 1:30 – 2:30 Bible Devotion at SH&Rehab

**WEDNESDAY:** ~~8:45 am~~ **Preschool Chapel; 7 pm Basic Bible Truths Class**

6 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal; 7:15 pm Voice Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY:** 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group; 5-7 pm Women's AA Group

**8:45 am & 12:30 pm Preschool Chapel**

10 am & 6:30 pm Living Way Bible Study; 12 pm Quilting Group

**SATURDAY:** 9:30 am – 1 pm LWML Zone Rally Joyful Jamboree



Our LWML collect "mites" or coins in the narthex the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month in support of national & District Mission Projects.

**SHARE TABLE ITEMS:** Home produce may be shared with others on our "Agape" Table. The other "Share" table has been packed up and given to Goodwill.

**LWML LAUNDRY MISSION:** Volunteers are needed to support our LWML's local mission of helping people with laundry services on Monday mornings from 10 am – noon. New volunteers will be paired up with an experienced LWML helper. Please contact Judy Norton if interested. *Thank you.*



**SPECIAL VOTER'S MEETING:** *TODAY*, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, between the services, our Church Council will be conducting a special voter's meeting to either approve or disapprove a proposed landscaping plan for the entire Cedar Street side of the church. Diagrams showing the plan ideas are in the narthex.

**NEW ADULT BIBLE CLASS:** "Stories From the Bible That You Thought You Knew", taught by Pastor Stites, **begins next Sunday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 am** between the services in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come & enjoy a cup of coffee, and study God's word.

**MUG MATE PROGRAM:** All women of Faith are invited to participate in this fun prayer activity. Simply bring a mug with a prayer form in a brown paper bag to the church narthex after church services **today**, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, **or to the table in the narthex this week.** Next Sunday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, pick up a mug for yourself in the narthex. Each morning when you use that mug for a cup of coffee or tea, talk to the Lord about your prayer sister and pray for her.



**JOYFUL JAMBOREE:** All women of Faith are welcome to come to this uplifting event to be held here at Faith from 9:30 am – 1 pm. This special LWML Hood Canal Zone gathering brings in women from all around the Olympic Peninsula. It will be a great time of fun, food, sharing, learning and fellowship. Your attendance will be greatly appreciated.

