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**19th Sunday after Pentecost  
Family Worship with Holy Communion  
October 16, 2022 † 10:00 a.m.**

**WE GATHER TOGETHER**

**PRELUDE**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*The assembly stands as they are able. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who is eager to forgive  
and who loves us beyond our days.

**Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge  
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of mercy and forgiveness,  
**we confess that sin still has a hold on us.  
We have harmed your good creation.  
We have failed to do justice,  
love kindness,  
and walk humbly with you.  
Turn us in a new direction.  
Show us the path that leads to life.  
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,  
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.  
Amen.**

Beloved of God:  
your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.  
God points the way to new life in Christ,  
who meets us on the road.  
Journey now in God's abiding love  
through the power of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG #532 Gather Us In**

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**1 Here in this place the new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,  
we are the old who yearn for your face;  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.**

**3 Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

**4 Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light years away--  
but here in this place the new light is shining,  
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever,  
gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

#### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

#### **KYRIE (p. 138)**

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

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

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

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.

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE (p.139)**

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Assisting minister

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,

we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## ANTHEM

## WORD



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### PSALM : Psalm 121

- <sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes | to the hills;  
from where is my | help to come?
- <sup>2</sup>**My help comes | from the LORD,  
the maker of heav- | en and earth.**
- <sup>3</sup>The LORD will not let your | foot be moved  
nor will the one who watches over you | fall asleep.
- <sup>4</sup>**Behold, the keep- | er of Israel  
will neither slum- | ber nor sleep;**
- <sup>5</sup>the LORD watches | over you;  
the LORD is your shade at | your right hand;
- <sup>6</sup>**the sun will not strike | you by day,  
nor the | moon by night.**
- <sup>7</sup>The LORD will preserve you | from all evil  
and will | keep your life.
- <sup>8</sup>**The LORD will watch over your going out and your | coming in,  
from this time forth for- | evermore.**

### READING: 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5 (Easy-to-Read Version)

A reading from Second Timothy.

*The writer of this letter continues his instruction of Timothy, his younger colleague in ministry, by emphasizing the importance of faithful teaching despite opposition.*

**14** But you should continue following the teaching you learned. You know it is true, because you know you can trust those who taught you. **15** You have known the Holy Scriptures since you were a child. These Scriptures are able to make you wise. And that wisdom leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. **16** All Scripture is given by God. And all Scripture is useful for teaching and for showing people what is wrong in their lives. It is useful for correcting faults and teaching the right way to live. **17** Using the Scriptures, those who serve God will be prepared and will have everything they need to do every good work.

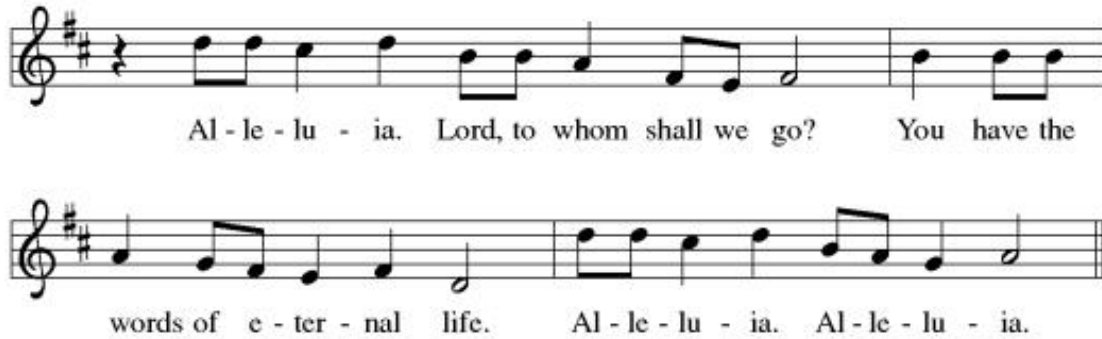
**1** Before God and Jesus Christ, I give you a command. Christ Jesus is the one who will judge all people—those who are living and those who have died. He is coming again to rule in his kingdom. So I give you this command: **2** Tell everyone God's message. Be ready at all times to do whatever is needed. Tell people what they need to do, tell them when they are doing wrong, and encourage them. Do this with great patience and careful teaching.

**3** The time will come when people will not listen to the true teaching. But people will find more and more teachers who please them. They will find teachers who say what they want to

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hear. **4** People will stop listening to the truth. They will begin to follow the teaching in false stories. **5** But you should control yourself at all times. When troubles come, accept them. Do the work of telling the Good News. Do all the duties of a servant of God  
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 142)**



**GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8 (International Children's Bible)**

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**18** Then Jesus used this story to teach his followers that they should always pray and never lose hope. **2** "Once there was a judge in a town. He did not care about God. He also did not care what people thought about him. **3** In that same town there was a woman whose husband had died. She came many times to this judge and said, 'There is a man who is not being fair to me. Give me my rights!' **4** But the judge did not want to help the widow. After a long time, he thought to himself, 'I don't care about God. And I don't care about what people think. **5** But this widow is bothering me. I will see that she gets her rights, or she will bother me until I am worn out!'" **6** The Lord said, "Listen to what the bad judge said. **7** God's people cry to him night and day. God will always give them what is right, and he will not be slow to answer them. **8** I tell you, God will help his people quickly! But when the Son of Man comes again, will he find those on earth who believe in him?"

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE/SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY #674 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

**1 Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.**

**Refrain**

**Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!**

**2 Christ is able to make us one,  
at the table he sets the tone,**

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teaching people to live to bless,  
love in word and in deed express. *Refrain*

3 Jesus calls us in, sends us out  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere! *Refrain*

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.**

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

In gratitude and humility, let us bring our prayers on behalf of all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

For all the baptized, that they become skilled in caring and grace, and equipped to share the good news with all. Grant your followers persistence in proclamation and prayer.

O God, **hear your children's prayers.**

For air and sky, clouds and sun, that they provide rain to parched land and relief to flooded ground. Renew and restore our polluted atmosphere. Help us to take good care of your creation and make every day Earth Day.

O God, **hear your children's prayers.**

For judges, juries, and all who work in the judicial system, that they desire wisdom, seek truth, rule with fairness, and have the courage to do what is right. Eliminate oppression and injustice in our criminal justice system. Hear us,

O God, **hear your children's prayers.**

For all who are lonely, political prisoners without recourse to justice, hospital patients without visitors, and any who are ill or grief-stricken, especially the Flaherty family, the Ulc family, Emilie, Frank, Gary, David and Carolyn; all on the prayer list; all people affected by COVID-19; and those we name before you now (pause).

O God, **hear your children's prayers.**

For ourselves and our community, for those engaged in advocacy work, that with the persistence of the widow, they lift their voices in seeking justice on behalf of others.

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O God, **hear your children's prayers.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

For those who have taught us faith and now rest in your heavenly peace, especially Jim and Stanley; Luke, the Evangelist; that we remember and give thanks for these saints who shared the gospel through word and deed.

O God, **hear your children's prayers.**

*(Pastor)* With grateful hearts we offer our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God, in confidence and faith, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

**And also with you!**

## **MEAL**

### **OFFERING**

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### **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Gracious God,  
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.  
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,  
and make us ready to share with all in need;  
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen.**

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE AND PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

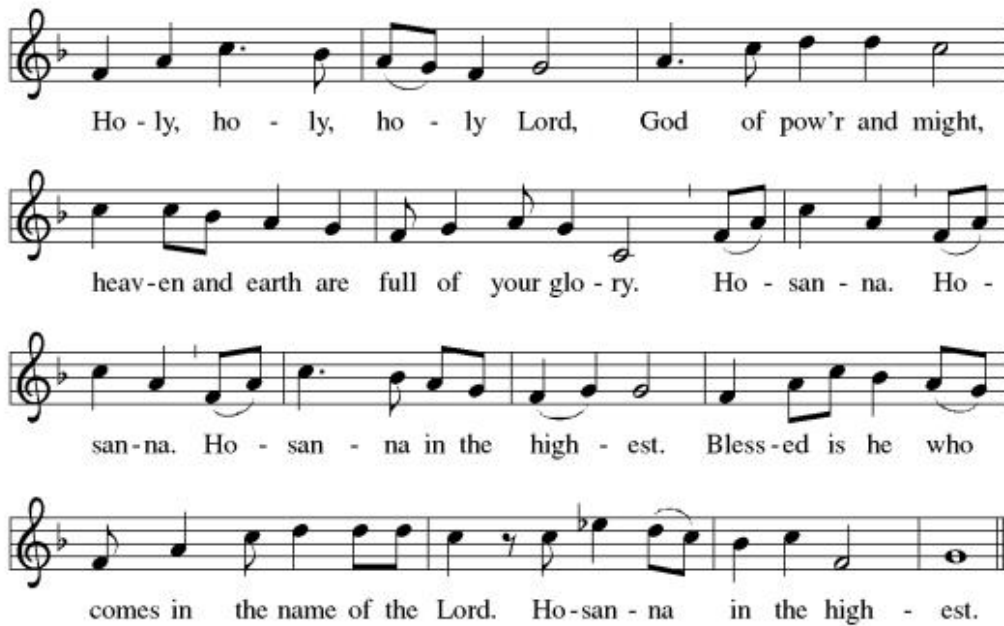
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**SANCTUS (p.144)**

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

To you, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
 be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Christ invites you to this table.  
 Come, taste and see.

## **LORD'S PRAYER** *(Led by the children and Pastor)*

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**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.**

### **LAMB OF GOD (p.146)**



The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on the fourth staff.

Body of Christ, given for you.  
Blood of Christ, shed for you.

### **COMMUNION HYMN #790 Day by Day**

1 Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul.  
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.  
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest;  
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest.

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2 Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey;  
I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day.  
I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grace.  
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold your face.

3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my burdens grow too great to bear;  
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.  
Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will hold me ever in your hand.  
Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

#### **\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of the abundant table,  
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal  
with bread for the journey.  
Give us your grace on the road  
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **BLESSING**

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair,  
bless you with truth and peace.  
And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

#### **SENDING HYMN #543 Go, My Children, with My Blessing**

1 "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love's baptismal river  
I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."

2 "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son's story,  
here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."

3 "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here my Spirit's power filled you,  
here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, with Christ beside you. **Thanks be to God.**

#### **POSTLUDE**

**This morning we welcome the Reverend Christopher Mietlowski**, Assistant to the Bishop for the Delaware-Hudson, Eastern Nassau, Hudson, Peconic, Staten Island, and Western Suffolk Conferences, to Saint Andrew's. Thank you for leading us in worship, Pastor Chris!

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**Please join in coffee hour after worship** and before the voter's assembly at 11:45am, thanks to the Kostecki's, our hosts this week.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER (16 October 2022)**

**THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:**

Emilie Diehl [requested by daughters Cindie & Kathy]  
Sara Larson [requested by Julie & Michael Francis]  
Gerard Tuohy [requested by Leslee & Steve Mathieson]  
Virginia Levitsky [requested by Lydia Moser]  
Amy Gabelman, Chris Peck, Bob Widmer, Lex Stolle, Carmine Colasanto, Richard & George Mengert [requested by Carolyn Gabelman]  
Tracey Parisi, Margo Naranjo, John Hochuli [requested by Barbara English]  
Norma Martin [requested by Sue Rorke]  
Brenda Dugan & granddaughter Chanelle, Robert & Pat Richards, Don & Marianne Spagna [requested by Mary Fjellstad]  
Marilyn Havighorst [requested by Martha Hahn]  
Nicholas Mauceri and Rocky Cinque [requested by Marianne Spagna]  
Richard Wiles [husband of Joan Wiles]  
Stefanie Spath [requested by Marianna Ulc and family]  
Jim Cahote, John Sullivan [requested by Dottie & Jim Clavell]  
Kerri Swanson [requested by Linda & Jud Taylor]  
Ruth Aiello [requested by Cindy Davis]  
Laura Garlock [requested by Darlene Klouda]  
Andy Hazin & the Hazin family, Ilse Gunther, Ralph Gunther [requested by the Hoffman family]  
Zach Hills [requested by Brian & Diane Marley]  
Bernadette Uneberg [requested by John Hinsch]  
The Flaherty family, the Ulc family, Pete Gambitsky, the Rilke family, Sharon Wolf, Dana Stankevitz, Pastor Roger Schleef, Carol Pascale, Walter Henning Sr., Pastor Frank Modr, Gary Weymer [requested by Pastor Shelhart]  
David Travis [requested by Richard Travis]  
Carolyn Martin [requested by Linda Overton]  
The family of Elaine Robinson [requested by Deborah Cella]  
Bill Feigin [requested by Jessica Michalski]  
Bill Davey [requested by Tom & Pat Pernice]  
Suzie DiSanza [requested by Donna Ihlen]  
Viola Giovinco [requested by Liz DeLuca]  
Amy Kitay [requested by Diana Smiloff]

**THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE:**

Captain Zachary Hinsch [nephew of Judy & John Hinsch]  
Major Lenore Livingston [daughter of Helen & Art Fortin]  
Sergeant Charlee Seto [granddaughter of Jacci & Mike Milo]  
Corporal August Detting  
Major William Fortin

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