



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship for streaming service

October 11, 2020

9:30 am



about today's service

In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

P: Presiding Minister C: Congregation L: Lector

✚ Gathering ✚

We gather together to praise God and receive God's love.

Welcome Pastor Liz Frey

Gathering Music: "Blessed Be Your Name"
FaithX (pre-recorded)

Announcements Pastor Liz Frey

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Faithful God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.

Hymn: "As We Gather at Your Table" IN BABILONE

1. As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own; teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

2. Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave; may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

3. Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

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(Pre-recorded)

Greeting Pastor Liz Frey

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

Prayer of the Day Pastor Liz Frey

P: Let us pray. Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Message Pastor John Brock

Song: "Beautiful Savior"
FaithX Band (pre-recorded)

✚ Word ✚

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of God's people.

Reading: Philippians 4:1-9 Nancy Martin

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

¹My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. ²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁴Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁵Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁶And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁷Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁸Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Pastor Jack Horner

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14 Pastor Jack Horner

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying,

'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.'⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

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

Sermon: Pastor Jack Horner
 Series theme: "Philippians: Official Guide for a Joy-Filled Life!"
 Weekly sermon title: "Don't Worry Be Happy "

Solo: "Allegro" (Concerto in G) Antonio Vivaldi
 Kati Gulde, flute

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Liz Frey

Lord's Prayer Pastor Liz Frey

P: Let us pray the prayer our Lord taught us.

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.

Peace Pastor Liz Frey

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

✝ Meal ✝

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Feasting God, as we share in this banquet, draw heaven and earth together as one in you. Send your Holy Spirit upon us to clothe us in your grace. Sanctify this bread and cup to make them be for us the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ;

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.

✝ Sending ✝

We have heard the Word of God and offered our gifts. Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.

Blessing of Communion to the Homebound Pastor Liz Frey

P: Compassionate God, Bless those who receive your word and sacrament at home. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing Pastor Liz Frey

P: Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Dismissal Pastor Liz Frey

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Sinfonia" Joh. Seb. Bach
 (pre-recorded)

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