

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

10 August 2025 9:00 AM

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Hymn #427

When morning gilds the skies

The Opening Acclamation
Gloria in excelsis

BCP 355
BCP 356

The Collect of the Day:

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

The Old Testament: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the LORD,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the LORD;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me,
 who asked this from your hand?
 Trample my courts no more;
bringing offerings is futile;
 incense is an abomination to me.
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--
 I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.
Your new moons and your appointed festivals
 my soul hates;
they have become a burden to me,
 I am weary of bearing them.
When you stretch out your hands,
 I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
 I will not listen;
 your hands are full of blood.
Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
 remove the evil of your doings
 from before my eyes;
cease to do evil,
 learn to do good;
seek justice,
 rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
 plead for the widow.
Come now, let us argue it out,
 says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
 they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
 they shall become like wool.
If you are willing and obedient,
 you shall eat the good of the land;
but if you refuse and rebel,
 you shall be devoured by the sword;
 for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

- 1 The God of gods, has spoken; *
God has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God is revealed in glory.
- 3 O God, you will come and will not keep silence; *
before you there is a consuming flame,
and round about you a raging storm.
- 4 You call the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of your people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of your cause; *
for you alone are judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God, *
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; *
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."

The Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Hymn #312

Strengthen for service, Lord

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

According to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Rev. Nancy L. Threadgill

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Th Prayers of the People Form IV

BCP 388

Discernment Prayer (NEW):

Gracious and loving God, you teach us that things happen in your time. As we continue to wait for clergy candidates, encourage us, the people of St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's Episcopal Churches, to grow steadfastly in our ministries to love and serve our neighbors by sharing the Good News in Jesus Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we open our hearts and minds to new opportunities and ideas, following where you lead — knowing that Jesus Christ walks

with us each step of the way. As this discernment period evolves, empower the members of our Vestries and Discernment Committees to share their thoughts openly and honestly; to respect the opinions of others; and to encourage humility, patience, and joy. Finally, instill in us a glorious vision of the future: one where we are united in love and ministry in fulfilling the mission of our baptismal vows; through our savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Confession BCP 360

Exchange of the Peace BCP 360

Offertory Hymn # 365 ***Come, thou almighty King***

Doxology

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving EP D BCP 372
Sanctus BCP 373

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Fraction BCP 364

Communion of the People

Hymn #316 ***This is the hour of banquet and of song***

Post Communion Prayer

The Blessing

Hymn #376 ***Joyful, joyful, we adore thee***

The Dismissal

From *The Book Of Common Prayer* 1979

Hymns from *The Hymnal* 1982

Psalm for *The Saint Helena Psalter* 2004

For those unable to receive the physical Communion at this time please pray the following:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus. And let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Prayers for a New Priest

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, we humbly ask you to supply your grace to all priests who are called to the ministry of your peoples. Fill them with the Holy Spirit, the truth of your doctrine, and clothe them with piety so that they may faithfully serve where they are called. Open their hearts to the possibility and consideration of a new path whereby they may serve you. We beseech you to guide to us, the pastor you would have shepherd your people at St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's. Open the hearts of these parish families to acceptance of your choice for us, so that together, we may increase our faith, devotion, and obedience, and be prepared to readily do the good works you have planned for us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Remember Today In Your Prayers:

Cynthia Frank, Carol Adams, Louise Mead, Susan Kelly & Mike Teore, Casey Dagenhardt, Catherine McCloskey, Maryann Marchl, Rick McKinley, David Wertz & Rebecca Church, Stacy Moskal, Terry Ebersole, Betty Burdge, Jennifer, Keith Hipp.

Continue to Remember In Your Personal Prayers:

Donovan Pendell, Cynthia Greig, Bill & Doris Horner, Dottie Venet, Bonnie Murray, Vince & Irene Joyce, Richard Burkert, Regina Hoover, Shawn & Tyler McKinley. Marlene Rhin, Lou Hoffer.

Readers and Greeters —August- September 2025

If you are unable to read on the day you are scheduled, please find a substitute or let Mother Nancy know so a sub can be found in a timely manner. Thank you.

Sunday Readers

Aug. 10 th	Richard Burkert & Donovan Pendell
Aug. 17 th	Lisa Bell-Loncella & Tina Grata
Aug. 24 th	Pam Hysong & Doug Zawiskie
Aug. 31 st	Donna Corosi & Lisa Bell-Loncella
Sept. 7 th	Joann Lacko & Donovan Pendell
Sept. 14 th	Richard Burkert & Tina Grata
Sept. 21 st	Pam Hysong & Lisa Bell Loncella
Sept. 28 th	Donna Carosi & Colleen Curry

Sunday Greeters & Ushers

Aug. 10 th	Jane & Gerry Strittmatter
Aug. 17 th	Sam & Heidi Buchan
Aug. 24 th	Richard Burkert & Joanna Lacko
Aug. 31 st	Tina Grata & Joann Lacko
Sept. 7 th	Melisa Babalonis & Aiden
Sept. 14 th	Jane & Gerry Strittmatter
Sept. 21 st	Sam & Heidi Buchan
Sept. 28 th	Richard Burkert & Joann Lacko

Pulled Pork Luncheon

Don't forget. Saturday, August 16th is our Pulled Pork Take Out Lunch. We are always looking for volunteers to help. Also, we are in need of some of your delicious "Home made cookies".

Sunday: The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Aug. 10th 9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Aug. 15th 9:00 am Prep work for lunch take out

Aug. 16th 11:00 am Pulled Pork Lunch Take Out

Next Sunday: The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Aug. 17th 9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Aug. 21st 6:30 pm Vestry Meeting

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DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Non-parochial clergy, including the Rev. Dr. Charles Starr,
and the Rev. William Marchl

Altar Flowers Given to The Greater Glory of God

In loving memory of John Emerson Mead
on the 1st anniversary of his death

August 11, 2024

From Louise Crawford Mead,
Perry & Mary Mead, Margaret Mead,
Bill and Caryn Mead Kelly and Andy Amundson

Next Week's Readings

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Psalm 82

Hebrews 11:29—12:2

Luke 12:49-56

***Sharing Christ's love unconditionally through
transformational worship and service***