

October 19, 2025
19th Sunday after Pentecost



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**In cooperation with Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church
and former Beach United Methodist Church**

*Throughout the service
the congregation reads aloud the bold print*

Prelude/Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found.**

Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of ✝ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

Rise Up, O Saints of God!



- 1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
- 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
- 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
- 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
- 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;



Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!



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

Prayer of the Day

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.**

Glory Be to the Father

Glo-ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly

The first system of musical notation is in 4/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics 'Glo-ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly' are written below the notes.

Ghost; As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and harmony. It includes a measure rest at the beginning of the treble staff. The lyrics 'Ghost; As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er' are written below the notes.

shall be, world with-out end. A - men, A - men.

The third system of musical notation concludes the piece. It includes a measure rest at the beginning of the treble staff. The lyrics 'shall be, world with-out end. A - men, A - men.' are written below the notes, ending with a double bar line.

Call to Worship from Psalm 121

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?

² **My help comes from the LORD,
the maker of heaven and earth.**

³ The LORD will not let your foot be moved
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴ **Behold, the keeper of Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep;**

⁵ the LORD watches over you;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

⁶ **the sun will not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

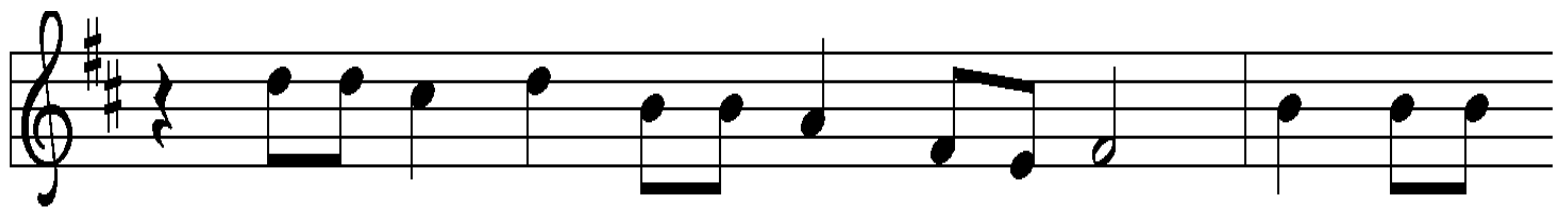
⁷ The LORD will preserve you from all evil
and will keep your life.

⁸ **The LORD will watch over your going out and
your coming in,
from this time forth forevermore.**

The first reading is from 2Timothy, the 3rd chapter

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 18th chapter

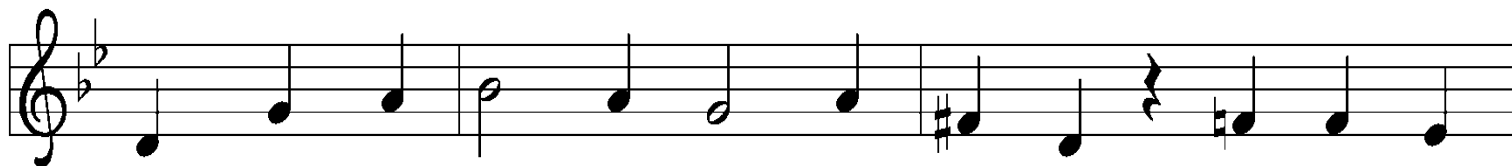
Glory to you, O Lord

¹ Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶ And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

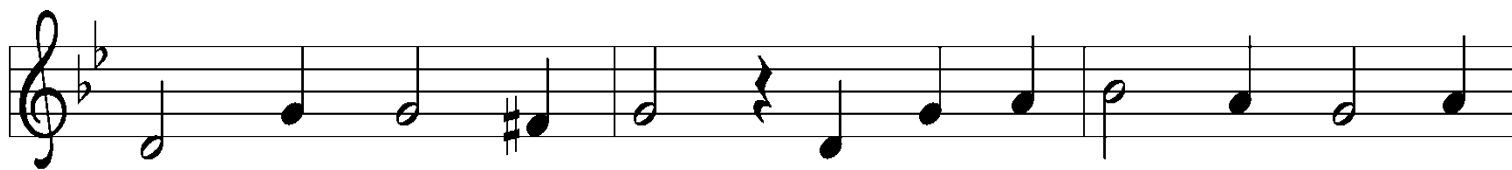
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon – Reverend Tom Frey

If You But Trust in God to Guide You



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Let us join together in affirming our faith through the words
of the 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 Christian church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the People

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the
church, the world, and all creation.

(Congregation will respond to each petition with

Receive our prayer)

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace
and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**Amen.**

Offering & Special Music

Offering Prayer

Lord of the harvest,
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,
but on you, who richly provides for us.
Multiply what we have gathered
to bless all who are suffering and in need,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray

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, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.
Come to this meal of mercy.
All are welcome

PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

Prayer after Communion

O God,
through this meal you have strengthened us
and appointed us to be your servants.
Send us to do good and to share our possessions
with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen

Benediction

"Go Now in Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, Amen, Amen

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Lessons for Oct. 26, 2025

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22, Psalm 84:1-7, 2Timothy 4:6-8, Luke 18:9-14

SCAN IN ORDER TO MAKE YOUR OFFERING ONLINE!





Announcements 10/19/25

We invite you to fill out the appropriate information in the pew pads and pass them to the center aisle,

Also, you will find green prayer/blessings request forms in the pew. Feel free to fill them out and place them in the offering plate.

Sew and Sews – Join this group on Thursday mornings. Bring your Lunch if you wish to stay and enjoy the fellowship.

Breakfast Church Info - Breakfast Church is funded by a grant from the Synod Vision 2 Action program. See Jason Kurtz for more info

Teddy Bear Ministry - This ministry involves you bringing a new or gently used teddy bear to sit in the pews with us and be present for worship. Bring a bear or other critter to share with someone who might need a bit of comfort

Sisters In Spirit – Sisters in Spirit meets the second Tuesday of the month at the Library. Join them on the 3rd floor, using the elevator. Bring a sack lunch if you wish. See Anita Turner for more information.

Choir – Join the choir – they always get to sit in the very back rows!

Flowers today were given by Bruce and Diane Allen in honor of their 60th Anniversary!

Remember, you can sign up for flowers or to help with coffee hour in the narthex!!