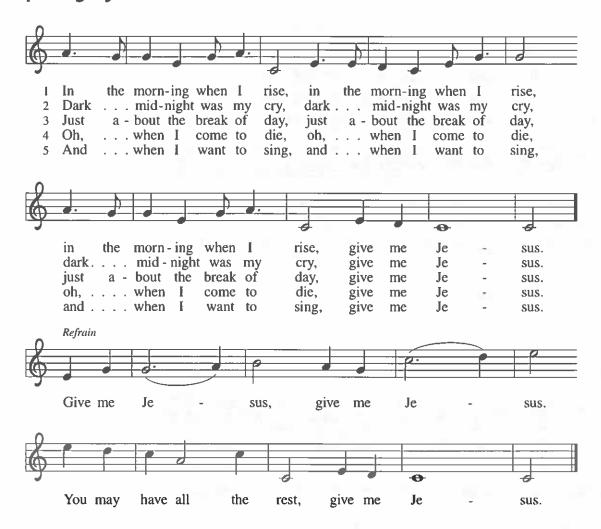
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost October 19, 2025



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Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray the prayer of the day together;

C: 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.

The Word

First Reading Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalmody Psalm 121

- 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;

Gospel Reading Luke 18:1-8

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He 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.' ⁴For 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?"

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Message Hymn ELW#790



The Great Thanksgiving

L:The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

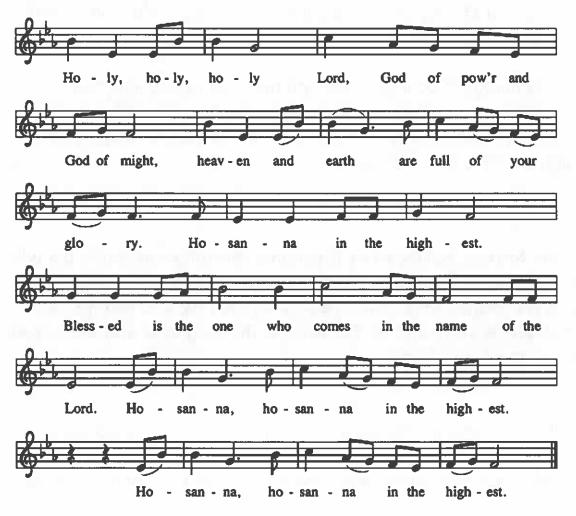
C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: 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. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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:

Holy Holy Holy



Communion Hymn ELW#461



- 1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
- 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
- 3 All who hun-ger, sing to geth er, Je sus Christ is liv ing bread.



Come from wil-der - ness and Come from rest-less - ness and Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food. We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood. Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good. Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good. Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

Prayer After Communion

Sending

Benediction

Dismissal

L: Go with the peace. Do not lose heart.

C: Thanks be to God.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS TODAY!!



Reformation Sunday is next Sunday, remember to wear red!



Altar Flowers are given today by
Marita Stanford in celebration of her
birthday and by Kathy Owen in
celebration of her dad's birthday



- ⇒ **WELCA's Monday Morning Workshop**. The ladies gather every Monday morning at 9:00am to sew and share in fellowship.
- ⇒ **Hope Circle** is on the **Fourth** Tuesday of each month at 10:00am. Study lessons from *Gather* magazine, a publication of WELCA.
- ⇒ **Bible Study on Wednesdays** at 10:00am. We study the Bible readings for the upcoming Sunday along with good fellowship. Join us for some interesting discussions.

Bible Study Attendance 10/15: 13

Those Serving This Week:

Worship Leader & ALM: Tim Koenig & Kathy Scott

Music: Dan Schmidt

Ushers: Judy Hoover & Pete Cvengros

Altar Guild: Lisa Streu

Counters: Judy Hoover & Lenora Walejko
Ministers: All the members of HCLC
Church Attendance 10/5: 38

This Week at Holy Cross		
Monday	8:30am-12:30pm	Church Office Open
10/20	9:00am	WELCA Workshop
Tuesday	8:30am-12:30pm	Church Office Open
10/21	1:00pm	Senior Exercise Class
Wednesday 10/22	8:30am-12:30pm	Church Office Open
	9-11am; 1-3pm	Food Pantry
	10:00-11:00am	Bible Study
Thursday 10/23	8:30am-12:30pm	Church Office Open
Friday 10/24	8:30am-12:30pm	Church Office Open
Saturday		
10/25		
Sunday	9:00am	Reformation Sunday- Wear Red
10/26	10:00am	Fellowship

Those Serving Next Week:

Worship Leader & ALM: Sue Hahn & Charles Polacek

Music: Dan Schmidt

Ushers: Dean & Jane Smith **Altar Guild:** Jane Smith

Counters:

Ministers: All the members of HCLC