

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 4, 2026

9:00 a.m.

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Announcements, silent meditation, personal confession

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

ELW #10

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

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

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

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.

P. Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us, and God raised him up from death that we too might walk in the newness of life. Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C. Amen

P. Blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed are those whose sin the Lord will never count against them.

GATHERING HYMN

“Good Soil”

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E G#m7 A E/G# F#m7 B

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your

EM7 B7sus E G#m7 A E/G#

word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where

F#m7 A/B B7 E A E/G#

love can grow and peace is un-der - stood. When my heart is hard,

F#m7 A/B B A E/G# F#m7 A/B B

break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.

G#(b9)/B# C#m A F#m7(b5)/C E/B A/B

When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,

E A/B E/G# A/B F#m/E E

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us Pray.

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 5:1-7

¹I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. ²He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit. ³“Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? ⁵Now I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it will be destroyed; I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled. ⁶I will make it a wasteland, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it.” ⁷The vineyard of the Lord Almighty is the nation of Israel, and the people of Judah are the vines he delighted in. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks Be To God

PSALM 80:7-19

⁷Restore us, God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.

⁸**You transplanted a vine from Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.**

⁹You cleared the ground for it, and it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰**The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches.**

¹¹Its branches reached as far as the Sea, its shoots as far as the River.

¹²**Why have you broken down its walls so that all who pass by pick its grapes?**

¹³Boars from the forest ravage it, and insects from the fields feed on it.

¹⁴**Return to us, God Almighty! Look down from heaven and see! Watch over this vine,**

¹⁵the root your right hand has planted, the son you have raised up for yourself.

¹⁶**Your vine is cut down, it is burned with fire; at your rebuke your people perish.**

¹⁷Let your hand rest on the man at your right hand, the son of man you have raised up for yourself.

¹⁸**Then we will not turn away from you; revive us, and we will call on your name.**

¹⁹Restore us, Lord God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 3:4b-14

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. ⁷But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³Brothers and sisters, I do not consider

myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks Be To God

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The holy gospel according to St. John, chapter 15

Glory to you, O Lord.

***GOSPEL**

John 15:1-8

¹“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ²He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. ³You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. ⁵“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

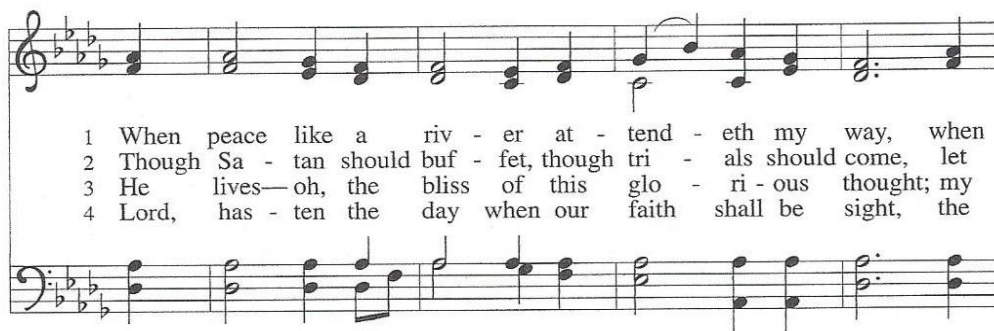
SERMON

"Turning the impossible into endless possibilities?"

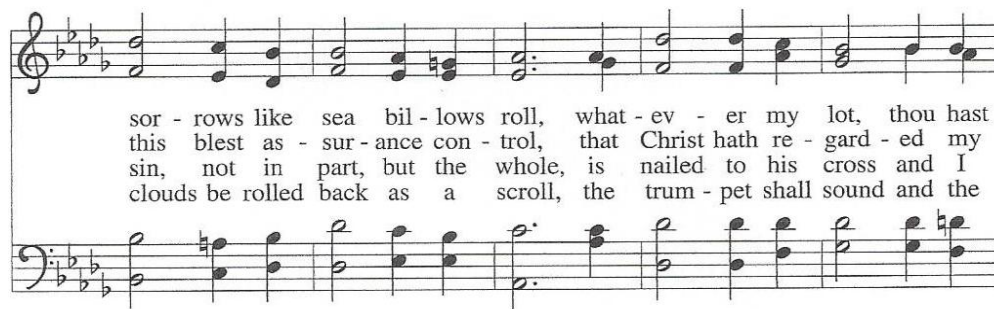
Pr. Andrew Young

HYMN OF THE DAY

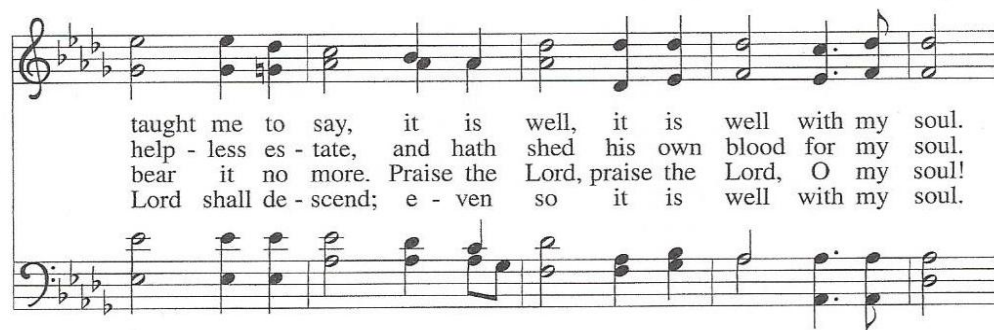
"When Peace like a River"



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

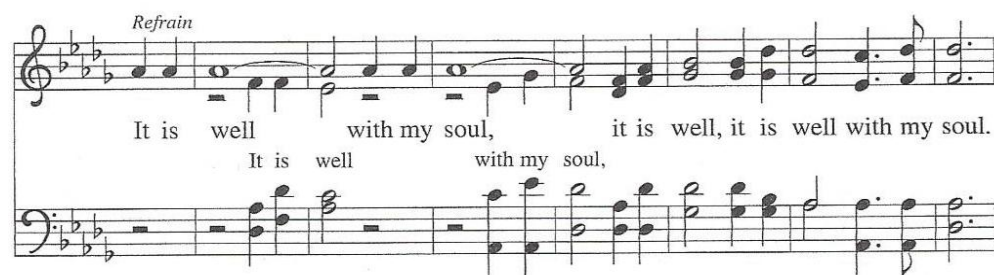


sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 It is well with my soul,

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888
 Music: Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876

VILLE DU HAVRE
 118 119 and refrain

***APOSTLES CREED**

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 THE CHURCH**

**Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.**

***PEACE**

**The peace of Christ be with you always
And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

**Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**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.**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

All who believe in the words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come to the Lord's table. (Grape juice is on outside rim of serving tray. Bread is gluten free.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

***SENDING SONG**

"Here I Am, Lord"

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1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord
Thanks be to God.

WE GO AND WORK IN THE LORD'S KINGDOM

Ministers: All who believe

Pastor: Andrew Young

Piano:	Lorrie Hansen
Greeters:	Young Family
Refreshments:	Shannon Martin/Jordan Tandy
Reader:	Amy Young
Flowers:	Lori Lanzendorf & Khristy Barber
Council:	Tiina Smith/Adam Byrd/Megan Paulson
Altar Guild:	Sandy Speerstra/Katy Grassel/Karlene Swenson

Prayers for Healing and Hope

Joe Sutton will be having surgery October 21 to remove blood clots from his lungs....prayers for Joe and his family, as well as his medical team.

Linda Miller's 10-year-old great niece Ava has been diagnosed with a rare cancer. Prayers for the family and the medical team treating her.

Mike Mattson's brother Peter underwent surgery this week to remove his cancerous kidney.

From Annie K.: Prayers for her parents....for her stepdad who fell and is now paralyzed from the waist down, and for her Mom who is now the caretaker. Please pray for strength and healing.

Continued prayers for strength and health restoration for Vickie Streich

Jen Andres continues with cancer treatment. Pray for strength for her whole family!

Dee Feddes's friend Megan continues her battle with ALS.

Jodi Robbins continuing her cancer treatment; prayers appreciated.

Erin Waynes parents Bob & Judy Ficke, cancer treatment. Prayers for their medical team and recovery.

Dwain and Olive Lavinder, dealing with cancer.

Carl Watts, friend of the Young family.... wife Jane in a care facility because of advanced Parkinson's.

Prayers of Thanks and Praise

Luke Graves and Allison Mattson's baby boy arrived September 29th at 12:22pm. Beckham Dean Graves weighed 7 lbs 9 oz and was 20.5" long. Everyone is doing great!

Charlie Taylor, friend of Becky & Gilean Murray, was flown to Great Falls. He will continue therapy/rehab at the west hospital campus, there...he's making progress...Thanks Be To God.

Prayers for Blessings and Encouragement

Prayers for Stuart Murray as he embarks on his first teaching assignment in North Carolina.....seven electrician classes from October through April.

Christ's Gift Academy in Mbita, Kenya

SERMON NOTES