

GATHERING MUSIC

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INTROIT

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: It is a blessing from Almighty God, that everyone from the ends of the earth can gather!

P: **We gather around Christ’s holy table to feast together!**

L: Let us humble ourselves and seek God’s mercy, so that we can be made anew.

P: **Renew us, O God, from our troubles and divisions, to make us one in you. Amen.**

† HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Most merciful Father, send your heavenly blessings upon this your Church, that all its members may dwell together in unity and love. Keep far from us all self-will and discord. Endue your pastors with righteousness, and enable them faithfully to fulfill their ministry, to bring again the outcasts, and to seek the lost. And grant to us the strength and wisdom to be the disciples you call us to be, and to use your means of grace, that in all our words and deeds, we may seek your glory and the advancement of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17: 1-16

¹ Jesus said to his disciples, “Occasions for sin are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come! ² It would be better for you if a millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea than for you to cause one of these little ones to sin. ³ Be on your guard! If a brother or sister sins, you must rebuke the offender, and if there is repentance, you must forgive. ⁴ And if the same person sins against you seven times a day and turns back to you seven times and says, ‘I repent,’ you must forgive.” ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶ The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

⁷ “Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? ⁸ Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? ⁹ Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’ ” ¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.

CHILDREN’S TIME

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Timothy 1:13-15

¹³ Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. ¹⁵ You are aware that all who are in Asia have turned away from me, including Phygelus and Hermogenes.

MESSAGE

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PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

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HOLY COMMUNION

† HYMN

Standing on the Promises

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† BENEDICTION





Lectionary for October 2025

October 12

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Psalm 66:1-12
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

October 19

Jeremiah 31:27-34
Psalm 119:97-104
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8

October 26

Joel 2:23-32
Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

November 2

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4
Psalm 119:137-144
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19:1-10

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