

St. Brendan's Episcopal Church

Juneau, Alaska

The Rt. Rev. Mark Lattime, VIIIth Bishop of Alaska

"A Harbor for God's Love"

Holy Communion with Reserve Sacrament

Healing Prayers

The Fifteenth Sunday after the Day of Pentecost

September 6, 2026 ~ 10:30 a.m.



The Mission of St. Brendan's

The mission of St. Brendan's Episcopal Church is to respond to the needs of the community and the world in a form that fosters and encourages a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Welcome visitors. Take time to sign the guest book in the narthex and join us for coffee hour after the service. Please join us in worship again, and may God bless your week.

*Before the service, speak to the Lord;
during the service, let the Lord speak to you;
after the service, speak to one another.*

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Led by Worship Leaders trained and licensed by the Diocese of Alaska

Barbara Learmonth ~ Officiant

Musician ~ Elena Levi, Piano

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Sunday, September 6, 2026

Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able and join in singing the Opening Hymn

Opening Hymn

All creatures of our God and King

Hymnal 400



- 1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
*2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
*3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
*6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



- 1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
2 loft, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
4 way, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
5 part, O___ sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
6 breath, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
7 ness, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

All standing as able, the Officiant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.**

Confession of Sin

All kneel or stand as able.

The Officiant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

The Officiant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Officiant and People together say

**Most merciful God,
we confess that 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.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Officiant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The following is sung, all standing as able.

Gloria

Glory & Praise 100

Refrain

(clap) (clap)

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Verses



1. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, peace you bring to
 2. Je - sus, Sav - ior of all, Lord God, Lamb of
 3. At the Fa - ther's right hand, Lord, re - ceive our
 4. Glo - ry, Fa - ther and Son, Glo - ry, Ho - ly



1. us; _____ we wor - ship you, we _____ give you thanks,
 2. God, _____ you take a - way our _____ sins, O Lord,
 3. prayer, _____ for you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 4. Spir - it, to you we raise our _____ hands up high,
 to Refrain



1. we sing our song of _____ praise.
 2. have mer - cy on us _____ all.
 3. and you a - lone are the Lord.
 4. we glo - ri - fy your _____ name.

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Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.
 People **And also with you.**
 Officiant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

All sit.

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Remain seated.

Cantate Domino

- 1 Hallelujah!
Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
- 4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.
- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;
- 7 To wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;
- 8 To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;
- 9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

Second Reading***Romans 13:8-14*****Jo Schoeppe**

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then

lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

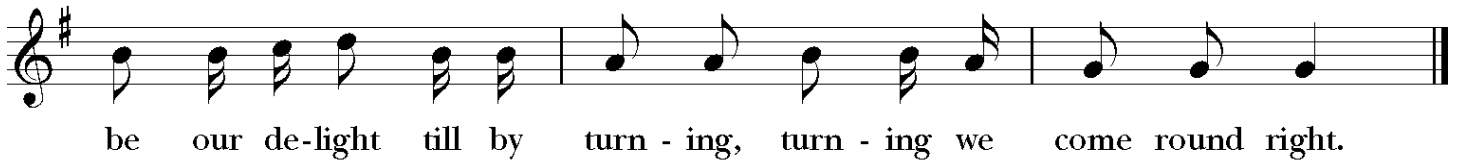
Sequence Hymn

All stand as able.

***Tis the gift to be simple, tis the gift
to be free***

Hymnal 554

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, and when we find our - selves in the place just right, 'twill be in the val - ley of love and de - light. When true sim - pli - ci - ty is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be a-shamed, to turn, turn, will



Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Barbara Learmonth

The congregation may remain seated during the reading of the Gospel.

Officiant

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Officiant

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Barbara Learmonth

Nicene Creed

All stand as able and together say

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

A Litany of Healing

(Book of Occasional Services p.219-221)

Rob Smith

After the response there will be a brief period of silence for the People to audibly or silently name those for whom they are interceding. The People's response is in bold print.

The Leader says

Let us name before God those for who we offer our prayers.

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;
We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured or disabled, that they may be made whole;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

You are the Lord who does wonders:

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

And in your light we see light.

Hear us, O Lord of life:
Heal us, and make us whole.

The Officiant adds the concluding collect.

Let us Pray

Gracious God, we give you thanks for our beloved Jesus Christ, in whom you have shared the beauty and pain of human life. Look with compassion upon all for whom we pray, and strengthen us to be your instruments, of healing in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

Any are welcome to come forward for healing prayers.

Healing Prayers

***Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia.***

Peace

All Stand as able.

<i>Officiant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

The People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Holy Communion

The Officiant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalms 50:14*

Today's loose offering will go into the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

Offertory Hymn *Blessed Jesus, at thy word*

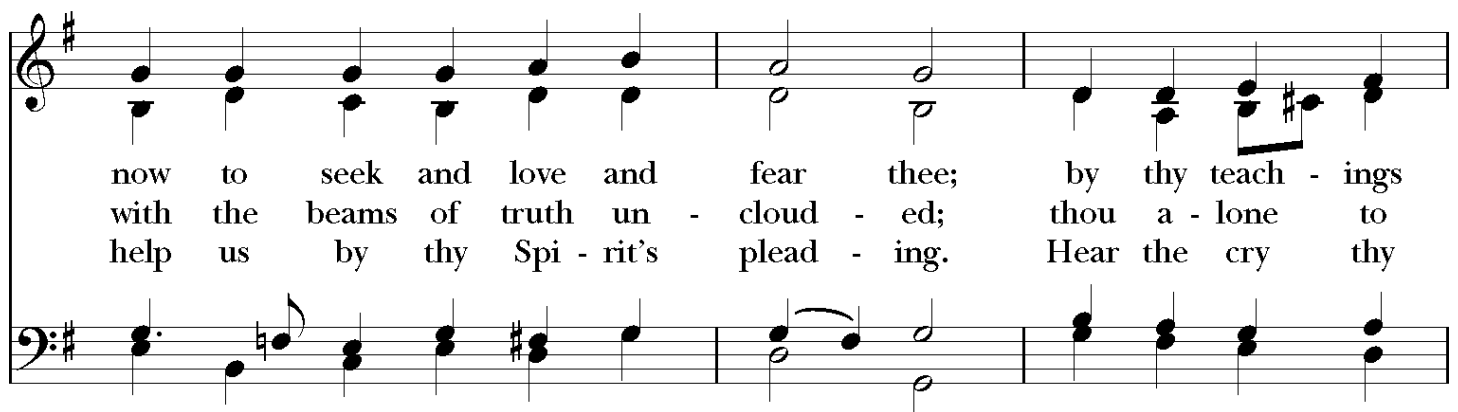
Hymnal 440



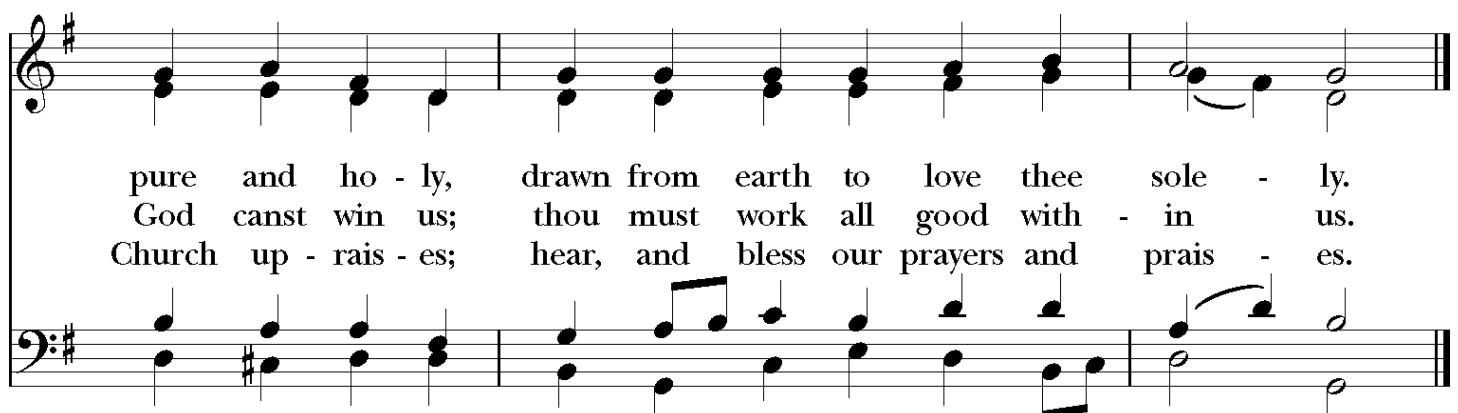
1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
 2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness
 3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -



hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
 shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night
 ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,



now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
 with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
 help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy



pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
 God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
 Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

The People stand as able and sing the Doxology as the offering is brought forward and placed on the Credence Table.

Doxology (a hymn of praise)

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow:
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

The service continues with the authorized Thanksgiving Prayer, all stand as able.

Prayer of Preparation for Communion The General Thanksgiving

BCP page 101

Officiant and People

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.***

The Officiant continues

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to sing,

People and Officiant

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Officiant says

Let us make our Holy Communion in the Body and Blood of Christ given to his people and received by faith.

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. We are no longer strangers or guests but one family in the Lord.
Let the Worship Leader know if you prefer alcohol free wine. Chalice Bearers – **Jo Schoeppe & Rob Smith***

Communion Music

Elena Levi

After Communion, the Officiant says

Let us pray.

The Officiant and People together say

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,**

**and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please remain standing as able for any birthdays or anniversaries and together say

Prayer for Birthdays (BCP 830, prayer 50)

**O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on
your servant N. as he begins another year. Grant that he may
grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his trust in your
goodness all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Prayer for Anniversaries (BCP p. 431)

**O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in
it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his
Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants,
N. that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in
faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness. That
their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Announcements

People may be seated and announcements are now made.

Godly Play will start next Sunday Sunday, September 13, 2026

Remember the AWARE and Bartlett House Ministries

Closing Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation

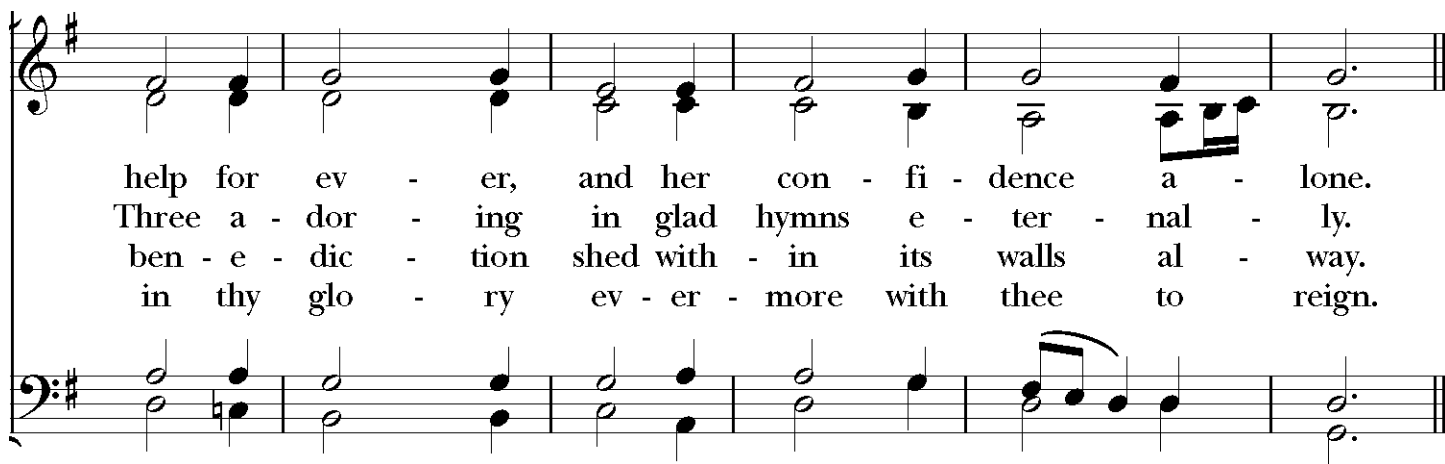
Hymnal 518

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the piano accompaniment providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in four lines, corresponding to the four voices. The first line of the hymn is 'Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and', the second line is 'All that ded-i-cat-ed ci-ty, dear-ly loved of', the third line is 'To this tem-ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of', and the fourth line is 'Here vouch-safe to all thy serv-ants what they ask of'. The score continues with the lyrics 'cor-ner-stone, cho-sen of the Lord, and pre-cious, God on high, in ex-ult-ant ju-bi-la-tion', 'Hosts, to-day; with thy wont-ed lov-ing-kind-ness', 'thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev-er', 'bind-ing all the Church in one; ho-ly Zi-on's', 'pours per-pet-ual mel-o-dy; God the One in', 'hear thy serv-ants as they pray, and thy full-est', and 'with the bless-ed to re-tain, and here-af-ter'.

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

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pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter



Dismissal

Officiant

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant says

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*



A Note on Today's Readings

Proper 18: Sunday closest to September 7—Year A

Welcome to our worship service today. We now reach a section of Matthew's Gospel in which Jesus teaches about God's way of dealing with humanity: namely, forgiveness. Today's reading is primarily concerned with the Church's role as the agent of forgiveness. Even when a member of the Church is unrepentant, the Church is not to give up on that person easily. We are to make every effort to move the sinner to repent and accept the forgiveness of God, which Jesus has commissioned the Church to offer.

The story of Moses and the Exodus continues today. God and the Egyptian king have been in a struggle. Now comes the final test. We hear the instructions to the Israelites about the meal that will protect them from Egypt's final plague and prepare them to set forth on their journey to freedom. This became the Passover meal of the Jews, the precursor of the

Today's passage from the Epistle to the Romans continues to deal with the characteristics of Christian living. We are to live in good relationships with all people, to respect the laws and authorities of human society, and above all to express love by mutual behavior based on God's law.

We gather as the People of God, having found in our relationship with God that he is our lover and our savior, not an angry or condemning judge. We find in our lives together as Church that we are not only the recipients of God's love and forgiveness but also sent into the world as the instruments of that love and forgiveness to all people.

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Serving Schedule ~ September 6 – August 30, 2026

	Sept. 6	Sept. 13	Sept. 20	Sept. 27	October 4
Altar	Dave Muldoon	Lori Seymour	Brita Rice	Tonya Muldoon	Dave Muldoon
1st Reading	Sean Murphree	Ken Vaughan	Brita Rice	Rob Smith	Elena Levi
Psalm	Brita rice	Stephanie Hall	Sean Murphree	Dave Muldoon	Sean Murphree
2nd Reading	Jo Schoeppe	Barbara Learmonth	Jo Schoeppe	Stephanie Hall	Brita Rice
Gospel	Barbara Learmonth	Michael Rowcroft	Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe	Dave Muldoon
Prayers of the People	Rob Smith	Elena Levi	Ken Vaughan	Barbara Learmonth	Jo Schoeppe
Chalice Bearer	Jo Schoeppe & Rob Smith	Barbara Learmonth & Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe & Rob Smith	Barbara Learmonth & Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe & Rob Smith
Worship Leader	Barbara Learmonth	Michael Rowcroft	Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe	Dave Muldoon
Godly Play	Summer Break	Godly Play	Godly Play	Godly Play	Godly Play
Coffee Hour	Ingrid	Ingrid	Carla	?	?
Ushers	Jeff & Carol Fujioka	Dave Muldoon	Alec Muldoon	Ingrid Zaruba	Jeff & Carol Fujioka