

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

The Twenty-first Sunday after the Day of Pentecost

October 18, 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 a moment to sign our guest book in the entry and come to the 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.*

Holy Communion With Reserve Sacrament

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

Michael Rowcroft ~ Officiant

Musicians ~ Stephanie, Piano & Elena, Violin

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Sunday, October 18, 2026

Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able and join in singing the Opening Hymn

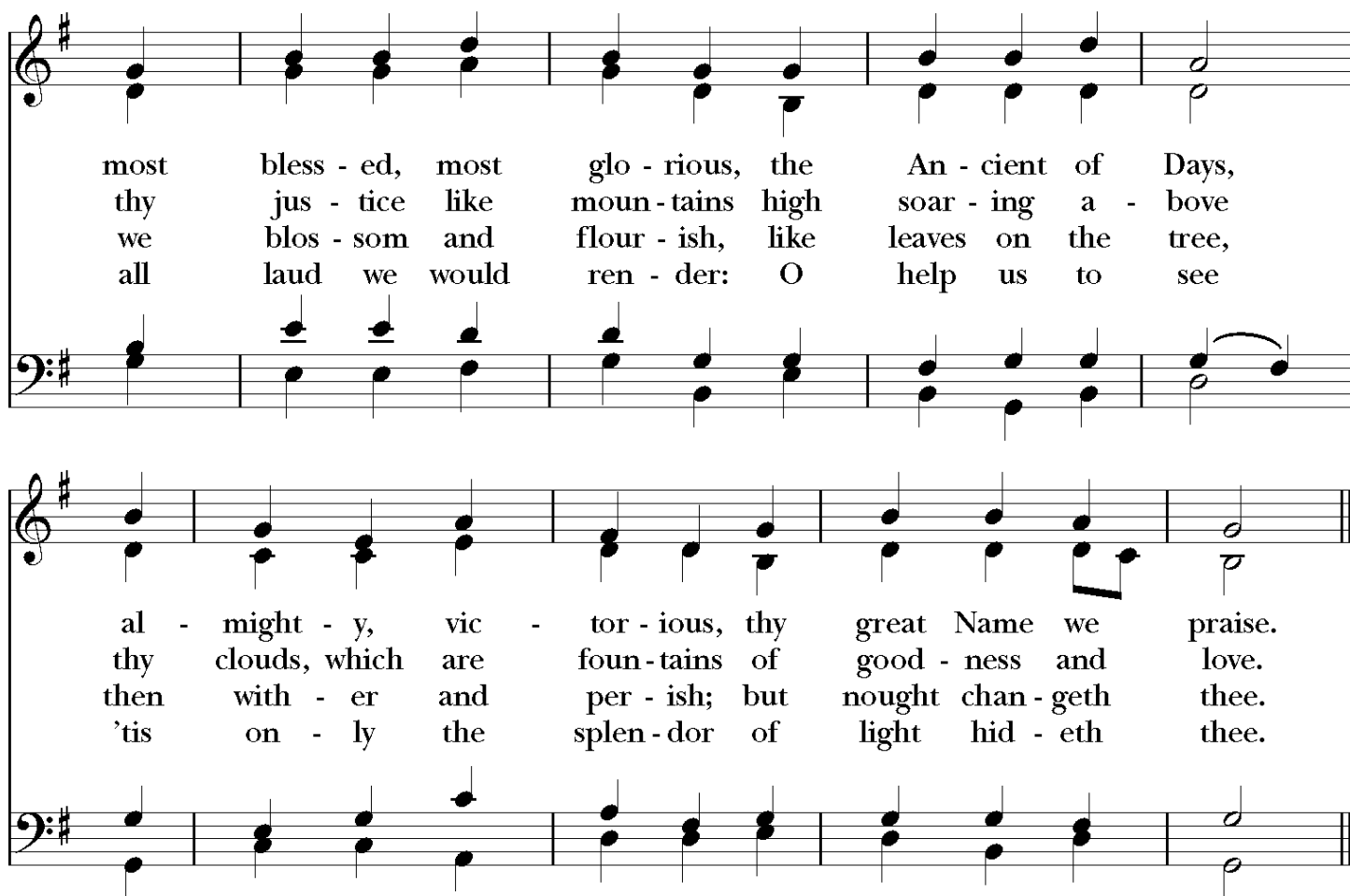
Opening Hymn

***Immortal, invisible, God only
wise***

Hymnal 423

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in night;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1874-1908) alt

All standing as able, the Officiant says

People Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

Confession of Sin

All kneel or stand as able.

The Officiant says

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

All sit.

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Remain seated.

Psalm 99

Elena Levi

Dominus regnavit

- 1 The LORD is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.

- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.
- 4 “O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.”
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 “O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.”
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Sean Murphree

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

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy

inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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

Sequence Hymn

All stand as able.

Rock of ages, cleft for me

Hymnal 685



1 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
 2 Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know,
 3 While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,
 all for sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;
 when I rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne,



Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

Michael Rowcroft

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.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Officiant

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Michael Rowcroft

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.**

Prayers of the People: Plenty Good Room

Brita Rice

From TENS (The Episcopal Network for Stewardship)

All remain standing as able

Michael: Jesus said, “In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places.” Trusting in God’s abundance and welcome, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all creation.

Brita: Gracious God, you have made plenty good room for us in your household. Inspire your church to be a place of welcome, generosity, and love. We thank you for the resources you have entrusted to us, and we pray for wisdom to use them in service of your mission.

*People: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Brita: God of community, you bind us together in relationships of care and compassion. Strengthen the bonds within this congregation, and guide us to extend hospitality to our neighbors near and far.

*People: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Brita: God of abundance, you invite us to respond with gratitude for all your gifts. Bless this stewardship campaign, that our pledges of time, talent, and treasure may be faithful signs of our trust in you.

*People: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Brita: God of creation, you have made a world with plenty good room for all living things. Teach us to care for the earth and to share its resources with justice and joy.

*People: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Brita: God of mercy, your dwelling place has room for all who suffer. Be present with those who are sick, lonely, grieving, or in any kind of need especially, **Geoff, Sarah, Jeff, Katie, Cecelia, Kendon, Mark, Al, Peter, Judy & family, Jim, Marilyn, Caroline, Tamira, Heather, Fred, Sharon & family, David & Jackie, Gavin, Dee, John, Judi, Linda, John, Mike, Ashu, Ann, Eyerus, Maria, Justine, John, Don A., Mariah, Julie, Linda, Penny, Jim, Anne, Aaron & Devonne, Dwayne, Constance, Troy, Cheryl, Jordan, Jeremy; for the victims of domestic violence and gun violence; all who live and work at the Johnson Youth Center, SEARHC’S: Ravens**

Way, and Lemon Creek Correctional Center; all who live with addictions; all who suffer from long term illnesses; and for those who love and care for them. Surround them with your healing and your peace.

People: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Brita: God of hope, you prepare a place for us in your eternal home. We remember before you those who have died, confident that they now rest in your embrace.

People: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Michael: Loving God, you call us into your abundant life and promise that there is plenty good room for all your children. Hear our prayers and accept the offerings of our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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. *Psalm 50:14*

Today's loose offering will go into the General Fund.

Pledge cards with letter from Stewardship Coordinator Barbara Learmonth has been mailed.

Pledge cards are provided if you did not receive one in the mail.

Ingathering Sunday is November 1, All Saints Sunday.

Just two weeks away.

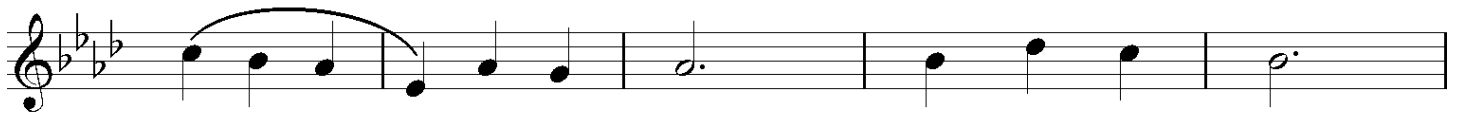
Offertory Hymn

Earth and all stars

Hymnal 412



1	Earth	and	all	stars,	loud	rush - ing	plan - ets,	sing	to the
2	Hail,	wind,	and	rain,	loud	blow - ing	snow - storms,	sing	to the
3	Trum - pet	and	pipes,		loud	clash - ing	cym - bals,	sing	to the
4	En - gines	and	steel,		loud	pound - ing	ham - mers,	sing	to the
5	Class - rooms	and	labs,		loud	boil - ing	test - tubes,	sing	to the
6	Know - ledge	and	truth,		loud	sound - ing	wis - dom,	sing	to the



1	Lord		a	new	song!	O	vic - to - ry,	
2	Lord		a	new	song!	Flow - ers	and	trees,
3	Lord		a	new	song!	Harp, lute,	and	lyre,
4	Lord		a	new	song!	Lime - stone	and	beams,
5	Lord		a	new	song!	Ath - lete	and	band,
6	Lord		a	new	song!	Daugh - ter	and	son,



1	loud	shout - ing	ar - my,	sing	to the	Lord		a	new	song!
2	loud	rus - tling	dry leaves,	sing	to the	Lord		a	new	song!
3	loud	hum - ming	cel - los,	sing	to the	Lord		a	new	song!
4	loud	build - ing	work - ers,	sing	to the	Lord		a	new	song!
5	loud	cheer - ing	peo - ple,	sing	to the	Lord		a	new	song!
6	loud	pray - ing	mem - bers,	sing	to the	Lord		a	new	song!



He hath done mar - vel - ous things.



I, too, will praise him with a new song!

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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

Stephanie & Lena

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.*

Prayer Breakfast will begin again
Next Sunday, October 25!!!
Before the Service

*October Outreach – Hats & Gloves for the Glory Hall – For the month of
October add hats and gloves to the “blueberry branch tree” in the narthex*

Please stand as able and join in singing the Closing Hymn

Closing Hymn

God of grace and God of glory

Hymnal 594

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the final four lines. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1 through 4 indicating the start of each line of text. The music features a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and bar lines. The final line of the hymn ends with a double bar line.

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve 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 24: Sunday closest to October 19—Year A

Welcome to our worship service today. As we draw near the end of Matthew's Gospel, the opposition to Jesus intensifies. Today the Pharisees seek to entrap Jesus, asking if it is lawful to pay taxes to the emperor. The trap would be to offend either zealous Jewish patriots or else offend the ruling class in Jerusalem including the Romans. Jesus' answer points instead to Jewish teaching that the government, even a pagan one, has legitimate authority, but that authority cannot be allowed to interfere with our duty toward God.

In our ongoing story of the Exodus, it is time for the Jews to move on in their journey to the land of promise. Moses asks for a sign of God's favor. God gives two signs. One is his promise to go with the people on their journey to the Promised Land and the other is to give Moses a glimpse of God.

The second reading today begins several weeks of reading Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians. This is probably the earliest of Paul's letters. Things have gone well since he left and he begins by giving thanks for their faithfulness. This church, however, had some problems and confusion about the second coming of Christ. In coming weeks we will hear Paul's teaching about that.

Central to every gathering of Christians for worship is intercessory prayer. Our prayer is always for the church and the world. A striking illustration was that the early Christians prayed for the emperor who was persecuting them. Our faith calls us to pray for and to minister to all aspects of life. The liturgy reminds us that God is concerned for all creation and is the Savior of all.

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Serving Schedule ~ October 4 – November 1, 2026

	October 4	October 11	October 18	October 25	Nov. 1
Altar	Dave Muldoon	Lori Seymour	Brita Rice	Tonya Muldoon	Dave Muldoon
1st Reading	Elena Levi	Rob Smith	Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe	Barbara Learmonth
Psalm	Sean Murphree	Ken Vaughan	Elena Levi	Rob Smith	Sean Murphree
2nd Reading	Brita Rice	Stephanie Hall	Sean Murphree	Ken Vaughan	Elena Levi
Gospel	Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe	Michael Rowcroft	Barbara Learmonth	Dave Muldoon
Prayers of the People	Jo Schoeppe	Barbara Learmonth	Brita Rice	Stephanie Hall	Sean Murphree
Chalice Bearer	Jo Schoeppe & Rob Smith	Barbara Learmonth & Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe & Rob Smith	Dan Hall & Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe & Rob Smith
Worship Leader	Dave Muldoon	Jo Schoeppe	Michael Rowcroft	Barbara Learmonth	Dave Muldoon
Godly Play	Godly Play	Godly Play	Godly Play	Godly Play	Godly Play
Coffee Hour	Carla	Ingrid	Carol	Carla	All Saints Potluck
Ushers	Jeff & Carol Fujioka	Dave Muldoon	Alec Muldoon	Ingrid Zaruba	Jeff & Carol Fujioka