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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



*Matthew 21:35* <sup>35</sup>But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another.

To listen to the service, please turn your radio to  $\underline{FM 88.9}$ Thank you for joining our service today. Please leave your offering in the plate at the door as you enter or leave the service. This worship we will be using WOV Setting 5. You may stand during worship with asterisk (\*) in this bulletin.

## Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

## **Tena Rackow**

### Welcome and Announcements

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

WOV page 10 P: In the name of the Father, and of the  $\Box$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### C: Amen.

P: 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. C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

# P: Most merciful God,

C: Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with repentance and faith turn to him, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through  $\Box$ Jesus Christ, our Lord.

\* Gathering Hymn "My Lord of Light" ELW #832

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P: 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.

\* Kyrie

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P: Kyrie eleison.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Christe eleison

### C: Christ, have mercy.

P: Kyrie eleison

\*Hymn of Praise

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C: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God,...

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Glory to God...

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God...

# \* Prayer of the Day

# WOV page 30

P: 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. C: Amen.

# \* Greeting

### Word God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

# First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. <sup>2</sup>He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. <sup>3</sup>And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. <sup>4</sup>What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

<sup>5</sup>And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. <sup>6</sup>I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

<sup>7</sup>For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

L: The Word of the Lord. C:Thanks be to God.

### Psalm: Psalm 80:7-15

<sup>7</sup>Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

# <sup>8</sup>You have brought a vine out of Egypt; you cast out the nations and planted it.

<sup>9</sup>You prepared the ground for it; it took root and filled the land.

# <sup>10</sup>The mountains were covered by its shadow and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

<sup>11</sup>You stretched out its tendrils to the sea and its branches to the river.

# <sup>12</sup>Why have you broken down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

<sup>13</sup>The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

<sup>14</sup>Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; preserve what your right hand has planted.
 <sup>15</sup>behold and tend this vine; preserve what your right hand has planted.

### Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] <sup>4b</sup>If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. <sup>7</sup>Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup>More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup>I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C:Thanks be to God.

### \*Gospel Acclamation

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

### \*Gospel: Matthew 21-33-46

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. C: Glory to you, O Lord. [Jesus said to the people:] <sup>33</sup>"Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>34</sup>When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup>But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' <sup>39</sup>So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup>Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?'' <sup>41</sup>They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.'' <sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?

<sup>43</sup>Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. <sup>44</sup>The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." <sup>45</sup>When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup>They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

P: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

### Sermon

#### Vicar Thomas Mosbo

### \* Hymn of the Day "The Church of Christ, in Every Age" ELW#729

#### \* Nicene Creed

### WOV page 32

- P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith,
- C: 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

**Choir Anthem** 

### "Faith Begins By Letting Go"

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Congregation responds to each petition with the following:

L: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Taylor B., Denny Bergmann, Willie Kayser, Rene', Sue Kraft, Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Sue Rush, Leona Block, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan and her baby, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jack, Gretchen, Tina, Joe, Dan Kempel, Justin Yeager, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, Jim Clay, Sharon Janicke, Ethan Hanna, Mr. & Mrs. Ron Heckman, Dena Rae, Vera Kempel, Jeri, Allie, Richard and Al. Pray for love, peace, comfort and hope of resurrection for the families and friends of Larry Nelson.

### Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

C: 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

### Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

### Blessing

### WOV page 41

P: The Lord bless us and keep us,
The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us,
The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace,
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

*Sending Hymn	"How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord"	ELW #580
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### \* Dismissal

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P. Go in peace. Christ is at work in you.C. Thanks be to God.

### Postlude

**Tena Rackow** 

Attendance September 17<sup>th</sup> In-person, 31. Online, 24