



**The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 19, 2025**

WELCOME!

You are invited to be a part of this community whether you're arriving for the first time or returning. This bulletin is intended to encourage and enable your enthusiastic participation.

The staffed Nursery is available for little ones during and following the 9:30 service.

Today St. David's ministers travel to Hope Springs at Minnetonka (formerly Lake Minnetonka Care Center) to share both worship and friendship. Please continue to keep all our friends residing there in your prayers.

St. David's Welcomes You

St. David's Episcopal Church is committed to following Jesus' example of practicing radical hospitality, seeking to find God in all people because they are of sacred worth. We welcome all persons, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic or marital status. All are invited as full participants in the life and ministries of our community of faith.

St. David's Mission Statement

We at St. David's Episcopal Church are devoted to loving and serving God, one another and the world. Honoring the dignity and freedom of all to seek God at their own pace, we connect our life stories with the teachings of Jesus. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we believe our actions transform the world and ourselves.

Please note, this service is livestreamed and recorded on Facebook and YouTube.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

God Bless Every Step

God bless every step that I am taking, and bless the Earth beneath my feet.

Text from a Celtic chant of the Céille Dé order music: ©2007 Ruth Cunningham

Opening Hymn

O God, Who Gives Us Life and Breath

Please stand as you are able.



1. O God who gives us life and breath, who shapes us in the womb,
2. O God who calls your peo - ple out, to ven - ture and to dare,
3. O God of _ cov - e - nant and law, re - vealed in cloud and flame,



who guards our lives from birth to death, then leads us from the tomb:
to plumb the _ bleak a - byss of doubt and find you e - ven there:
your might - y _ deeds e - voke our awe; we dare not speak your Name.



de - liv - er us from fears that kill the _ life we have from you;
when we de - spair in wan - der - ing through wastes of emp - ty lies,
Yet _ we by faith are drawn to _ you and _ will your peo - ple prove,



help us to _ know your Spir - it still is mak - ing all things new.
re - fresh us _ with the liv - ing spring of hope that nev - er dies.
as on our hearts you write a - new the cov - e - nant of love.

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Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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.

Song of Praise

1
2
3
4
Glo - ri - a, Glo - ri - a, in ex-cel - sis De - o!
Glo - ri - a, Glo - ri - a, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Music: Jacques Berthier, © 1979, 1988, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant 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.**

We Hear and Respond to God's Word

Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said,

"Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121

I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

Hymnal #668

At 8:00, the psalm can be found in the Book of Common Prayer, at p. 779

Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

Walk in Love

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Hymn and reading of the Gospel.

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave him-self for us,
an of - fring and sac - ri - fice to God.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The second staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Text: Ephesians 5:2 Music: ©2025 Roger Stratton

The Gospel

Luke 18:1-8

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Guy Drake

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

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.

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Deacon Gathered as believers in Christ, made one body through baptism, let us offer prayers to God for the living hope of all the world.

We pray for Sean, our presiding bishop, for Craig, our bishop, for Katherine, Guy, Len, Lindsay, our clergy, for Cambria, postulant for the priesthood, Huldah, postulant for the diaconate, and for all lay leaders.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our all those impacted by systemic inequality, for the courage, grace and strength to participate in works of justice. For God's peace made manifest in our unity in Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the leaders of the nations and all in authority. For justice and freedom for all the peoples of the earth.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for strength in the face of the challenges and fears that the news of each day brings. For the hope of our faith, that our small acts might be leaven for transformation through the power of the Spirit.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for this congregation, for our city and those who live in it, and for our families, companions, and all those we love.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the hungry and the oppressed, and for those in prison, for the sick and the suffering, especially...

Please offer your own prayers, silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died due to war, poverty, and gun violence, for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all who grieve. We pray especially for ...

Please offer your own prayers, silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us eternal peace through Jesus Christ. Hear our prayers which we offer in the hope of glory, and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen .

Confession

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

You are invited to be seated, to kneel or to remain standing.

All **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

Witness talk

Allison Ferro

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

We Share in Holy Communion

Please stand, as you are able, while the offerings of bread and wine are presented. You may be seated until the singing of the Doxology, when we ask that you stand once more.

The loose plate offering this morning (and every third Sunday) will go to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. Thank you for your offerings.

Offertory

Order My Steps

Order my steps in your Word, dear Lord, lead me, guide me, every day.
Send your anointing, Father, I pray.
Order my steps in your Word, please, order my steps in your Word.

Humbly I ask thee, teach me your will, while you are working, help me be still.
Though Satan is busy, God is real!
Order my steps in your Word, please, order my steps in your Word.

I want to walk worthy, my calling to fulfill.
Please order my steps, Lord, and I'll do your blessed will.
The world is ever changing, but you are still the same.
If you order my steps, I'll praise your name.

Order my steps in your Word, order my tongue in your Word,
guide my feet in your Word, wash my heart in your Word.
Show me how to walk in your Word, show me how to talk in our Word.
When I need a brand new song to sing, show me how to let your praises ring,
in your Word... please, order my steps in your Word.

- Glenn Burleigh, arr. Jack Schrader

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low;

Praise God a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing as you are able

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.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major, 3/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, Hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

from Deutsche Messe, Franz Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with David and Non and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

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 Breaking of the Bread



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er
of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re-deem-er, re-deem-er of the
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

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The Communion

Everyone, without exception and regardless of age or faith tradition, is invited to share in Holy Communion at the Lord's table. If you wish, please come forward to receive the bread and wine. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

On the first Sunday of each month, we offer wheat bread, with gluten-free wafers available. On the other Sundays, the communion bread offered to all is gluten-free.

The wine is shared from a common cup; feel free to receive only the bread if you prefer. (For health reasons, we ask that you do not dip the bread in the wine.) If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, you can indicate this desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Hymns

God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me



1. God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
2. Bind to my - self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness -
3. Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light - ning,
4. Walk - ing be - hind to hem my jour - ney; go - ing a - head to
5. Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears who



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
es en - fold; pro - phets, a - po - stles, an - gels wit - ness:
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

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We Are Walking in the Light



We are walk-ing in the light, in the light, in the light.



We are walk-ing in the light, in the light of God.

Text: Traditional
Tune: James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951, © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

On those days when the parish sends out Lay Eucharistic Visitors to those who cannot attend the liturgy, the Bread is presented to the Visitors at the altar, using this form.

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share the one bread and the one cup.**

Prayer after Communion

All **God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

We Go into the World in God's Name

Announcements

The Blessing

Departing

Awake, O Sleeper

Hymnal #547

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Want to read more about what's going on at St. David's? Visit our website stdavidsparish.org or check out the weekly email for announcements!

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