



October 16, 2022 - 9:30 am

19th Sunday after Pentecost



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"Cry of My Heart"

Greeting

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise

"Now the Feast and Celebration"

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Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"A Million Dreams"

Middle & High School Ensemble and Chancel Choir

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children's Message

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. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When 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. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5...But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. ^{4:1}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: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For 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, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 18:1-8... Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.

²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day

"We Shall Overcome"

Prayers

Sharing God's Peace

MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus

Offering

Special Music

Offertory

"We Are an Offering"

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Communion Songs

"Lamb of God"

"Giving it All to You"

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

"If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

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Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

- ⇒ **Call Process Update** Throughout the building, you will see Call Process posters. We are currently in step one of the Preparation Phase: "Transition Begins." The Assistant to the Bishop working with us is Pastor Juliet Focken. Pastor Heather is serving as our full-time interim pastor throughout the call process.
- ⇒ **Adult forum** this Sunday is called Bible: A Book Like No Other.
- ⇒ **Free Produce Stand** For the next several Sundays following worship, there will be a FREE Produce Stand set up by the parking lot entrance. If your garden at home is producing extra, feel free to bring extra produce to church to add to the stand.
- ⇒ **Hayrack Ride & Bonfire** Plan to join us for our annual congregation Hayrack Ride & Bonfire on Sunday, October 23rd at Shady Lane Ranch. Visit www.hclchurch.com for more information and to sign up. Please sign up by October 16th.
- ⇒ **Trunk N Treat** will be held in our Parking Lot on Monday October 31 from 6-8 pm. We need congregation members who are willing to decorate the trunk of their car and hand out candy! If that's you, [please sign up at this link](#). Thanks for your help!
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** will meet Monday's at 1:00 pm in the Youth Room here at Holy Cross. Questions, contact Paula McDonald at 402-210-6040.
- ⇒ **Knitting in the Narthex** Join us on Friday's from 1 to 2:30 pm to work on prayer shawls here at Holy Cross!
- ⇒ **Turkey** Have you seen the giant Turkey in the Narthex? 180 Turkeys have been preordered that will be delivered just in time for our Thanksgiving Pantry on November 17th, and we need your help. Pick a Feather and donate today!
- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our Third Thursday of the month food pantry is October 20th. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. We are in need of canned veggies, canned fruit, pasta sauce, pasta, cereal, juice, bar soap, and paper sacks.
- ⇒ **Lunch Bunch** will meet Thursday, October 20th at 11:30 am. All are welcome. Contact Paula McDonald at 402-210-6040 for location or with any other questions.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, October 16

9:30 am Worship
10:45 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am Youth Ensemble
11:00 am High School/Middle School Bells

Monday, October 17

1:00 pm Centering Prayer Group
6:30 pm Boy Scouts
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, October 18

6:30 pm Council Meeting
7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, October 19

6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Radical Ringers/Youth Group

Thursday, October 20

11:30 am Lunch Bunch
5:00 pm Food Pantry
6:30 pm Carolan Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, October 21

7:00 pm Belles N Beaus

Saturday, October 22

3:00 pm Communion & Liberation Group

Sunday, October 23

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Endowment Board Meeting
10:45 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am Youth Ensemble
11:00 am High School/Middle School Bells
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Meeting

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Jan Swanson as she recovers from a fall. Connie Mertz as she deals with medical concerns. Rachael Vacanti as she recovers from foot surgery.

On-Going Member Concerns: Edie Nabity at Hillcrest Papillion

Friends and Relatives: Todd & Kristie Erickson, brother & sister in law of Wendy Erickson; Marilyn Schneider, mother of Jim Schneider; Cliff & Carol Speck, friends of Loreen & Harvey Gifford; Walt Weaver & Carson Rich, family of Carol Rich; Angela Gehring, friend of Brad Yearwood; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Logan Black, son of Joey Black; George Adamson, friend of Sue Spengler; Tatyana Povazhnaya, friend of Sue Spengler; Billy & Gaylen Grunke, Wes Grunke's Brother's; Jason West, Sue Spengler's boyfriend's cousin; Andie Hunter, Elizabeth Yearwood's sister; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Amy Churchill, friend of Barb Kay; Ronald Gulbranson, Julie Noteman's brother; Josh Prochotsky and family, Paula McDonald's nephews son and family; Aaron McDonald, McDonald's grandson.