

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 19, 2025 | 10:00 am



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Welcome | We hope you will participate fully in today's services, as you feel comfortable. Customary times to stand, and sit (as able) are indicated in *italics*. Words spoken by the people are indicated in **bold**. Everything you need to worship is provided in this worship bulletin unless otherwise noted.

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Restrooms | Restrooms are located in the back of the church on the east side, and in the Parish Commons.

Nursery | Nursery care is available on the second floor in the Parish Commons.

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Online Giving | Offerings are made of bread and wine and water, and the financial gifts of the people. Online offerings to Church of Our Saviour can be made at chicagocos.org/give, or by using the QR Code at the right.



Organ Update | Along with a few other final tasks, the Rodgers organ requires a final servicing before being available for use. We expect this to be completed shortly.

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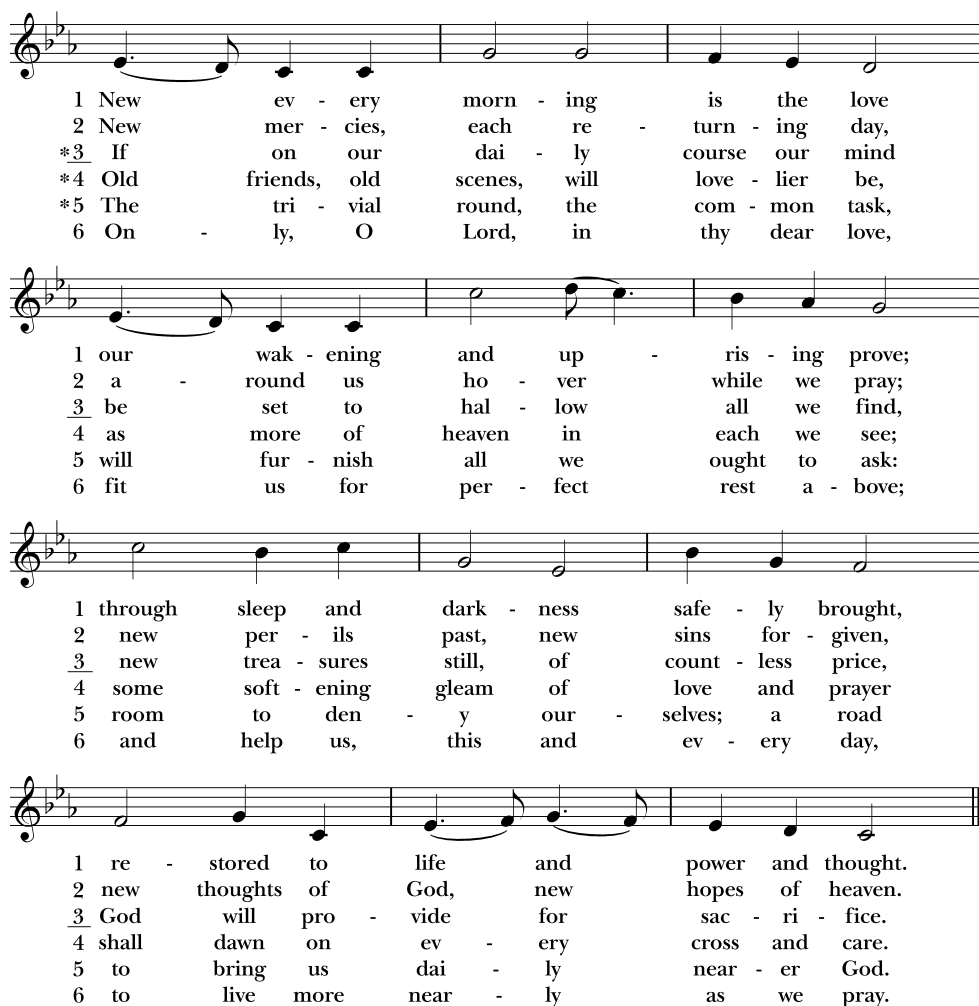
TODAYS MINISTERS | *Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Charlotte Johnson; Deacon: The Rev. Jess Elfring-Roberts; Lector: Davi Bambino; Acolytes Tom Walker, Davi Bambino; Greeter: Morag Fullilove, Carol Blendowski; Nursery: Katie Bean, Claire Reband, and Elvetica Echeverria*

A Celebration of the Eucharist

Gathering the People

VOLUNTARY | “God of Wonders” by Marc Byrd and Steve Hindalong, arr. Victor Labenske

OPENING HYMN | Source #: “New Every Morning is the Love” (verses 1, 2 & 6)



1 New ev - ery morn - ing is the love
2 New mer - cies, each re - turn - ing day,
*3 If on our dai - ly course our mind
*4 Old friends, old scenes, will love - lier be,
*5 The tri - vial round, the com - mon task,
6 On - ly, O Lord, in thy dear love,

1 our wak - ening and up - ris - ing prove;
2 a - round us ho - ver while we pray;
3 be set to hal - low all we find,
4 as more of heaven in each we see;
5 will fur - nish all we ought to ask:
6 fit us for per - fect rest a - bove;

1 through sleep and dark - ness safe - ly brought,
2 new per - ils past, new sins for - given,
3 new trea - sures still, of count - less price,
4 some soft - ening gleam of love and prayer
5 room to den - y our - selves; a road
6 and help us, this and ev - ery day,

1 re - stored to life and power and thought.
2 new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.
3 God will pro - vide for sac - ri - fice.
4 shall dawn on ev - ery cross and care.
5 to bring us dai - ly near - er God.
6 to live more near - ly as we pray.

Words: John Keble (1792-1866). Music: *Kedron*, melody att. Elkanah Kelsay Dare (1782-1826); harm. *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; adapt. *Hymnal* 1982.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God

People **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

GLORIA | Journeysongs #234: "Glory to God" from *Missa Santa Fe* by Peter M. Kolar (b. 1973)



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to_ peo-ple, to peo-ple-of good will.

1. We praise you, we_ bless you we a-dore you, we glo-ri -

fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord_ God,

heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y_ Fa-ther. 2. Lord Je - sus Christ,

On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,

you take a-way the sins of the_ world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins

of the_ world, re-ceive our_ prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the

Fa-ther, have mer - cy on us. 3. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the

Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus_ Christ, with the Ho-ly_

spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men. A - men.

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.**

The Word of God

Please be seated.

FIRST READING | A Reading from the Second Book of 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 Peniel, limping because of his hip.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE | Psalm 121



I lift up my eyes to the hill; from where is my help to come? He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

Refrain

The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand, so that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore. **Refrain**

SECOND READING | A Reading from the Second Letter to 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.

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

GRADUAL | Voices Found #115: "Sing Hallelujah" by Linda Stassen (b. 1951)

Sing hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord;
Lift up your hearts un-to the Lord;

Sing hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord;
Lift up your hearts un-to the Lord;

Lord.
Lord.

Sing hal - le - lu - jah, sing hal - le - lu - jah,

sing hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord.
lift up your hearts un - to the Lord.

sing hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord.
lift up your hearts un - to the Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Please stand, as you are able.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke [18:1-8].

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?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

HOMILY

Please be seated.

CREED (paraphrase) adapted by Cate and Mike Mascari from *Missa Santa Fe*

Please stand, as you are able.



We be- lieve in___ God the al- might - y, Au - thor of all things that___ be.
We be- lieve that___ Je - sus___ suf- fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci - fied.
We be- lieve in___ God's own___ spi - rit, bond - ing all the saints with - in

Mak er - of the earth and___ heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and___ sea.
tak - en from the cross was___ bur - ied, True life there had tru - ly died.
one church Cath - 'lic one church___ ho - ly where for - give - ness frees from sin;

We be- lieve in___ God's son___ Je - sus, Now for us both Lord and___ Christ.
We be- lieve that___ on the___ third day, Christ was ri - sen from the___ grave.
in the bo - dy's___ re - sur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's___ chain

of the Spi - rit and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life!
then as - cen - ded to God's___ right hand. He will come to judge and save. claimed!
gives the life that's e - ver - last - ing. This the faith that we have

1.2. 3.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon: Beloved community, in this season of rebuilding and renewal, let us offer our prayers to the God who creates, redeems, and sustains.

Leader: God of renewal, we remember what's been lost, name what must change, and give thanks for what is emerging. Root us in your love as we rebuild. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.
Guide the leaders of the Church and all communities of faith. May we build ministries grounded in justice, joy, and belonging. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.
Grant wisdom and compassion to those in power. Raise up leaders who work for peace and amplify unheard voices. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.
Bless the work of our hands and the labor of all who are bringing our Parish Commons to life. May it be a space of welcome, growth, and renewal for generations to come. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.
We pray for all who suffer—through illness, hunger, isolation, or fear. Hold close those on our prayer list and those we name now. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.
We give thanks for birthdays..., anniversaries..., and the quiet joys of this community. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.
We remember those who have died. Comfort those who grieve, and remind us of your eternal presence. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

People **Amen.**

CONFESSION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **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.**

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

THE PEACE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

People **And also with you.**

The People exchange a sign of peace with one another and sit for the announcements.

The Holy Communion

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

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OFFERTORY | “Better than a Hallelujah” by Chapin Hartford and Sarah Hart

GREAT THANKSGIVING | Enriching Our Worship Eucharistic Prayer 2

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS | Journeysongs #236: “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord” from *Missa Santa Fe*

The musical score is written for a single voice part in 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The second staff continues the melody, and the third staff introduces a new line of music. The fourth staff continues the melody, and the fifth staff concludes the piece with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord_ God of hosts. Hea - ven and earth_ are_ full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in_ the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he_ who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est."

Ho - ly, Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord_ God of hosts.____

Hea - ven and earth_ are_ full of Your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in_ the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he_ who comes in the name of the Lord.____ Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant 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 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.

People **AMEN.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Fa-ther which art in heav- en, Hal-low-ed be Thy name.
Thy king-dom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in
hea-ven Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And for
give us our debts, As we for-give our debt-ors. And lead us
not in-to tem-ta-tion; But de - li - ver us from e - vil. For

Thine is the king-dom, and the pow-er and the glo-ry, for e - ver;—
 For Thine is the king-dom and the pow - er and the
 glo - ry— for e - - - ver._____

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

AGNUS DEI | Journeysongs #241: “Lamb of God” from *Missa Santa Fe*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,
 1.2. have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.
 3. grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Note—Everyone is invited to receive communion. Please let the priest know if you desire a gluten-free wafer. If you prefer, you may receive a blessing instead of Communion; to indicate your desire for a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM | “Lord, from Your Hand” English Folk Melody, arr. Bruce Greer and Tom Fettke

POST COMMUNION PRAYER & BLESSING

Please stand, as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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.**

CLOSING HYMN | Voices Found #25: "Jesus Describes a Forceful Woman"

Unison or harmony

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a corresponding lyric line. The lyrics are arranged in three columns, with the first column starting on the first line of music and the other two columns starting on the second and third lines respectively. The lyrics are: 1 Je - sus de - scribes a force - ful wo - man, a wid - ow who re - 2 And day by day she spoke for jus - tice, and word by word in - 3 Now we, ob - serv - ing, are in - vit - ed to re - col - lect what fused to bend be - fore a judge, a man of pow - er, jus - tice waned un - til im - pas - sive will re - lent - ed, faith can gain when faith - ful peo - ple are un - daunt - ed whose judg - ments worked to no good end: she knew that she had and her im - pas - sioned faith re - mained: be - liev - ing God would and hope, in con - flict, is sus - tained: as we, like she, wield pow - er, too, and trust - ed in the strength she knew. make a way, she found the grace that faith con - veys. stub - born trust, God comes to move the world through us.

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Music: *Wer nur den lieben Gott*, Georg Neumark (1621–1681).

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE | “Brave” by Sarah Bareilles (b.1979)

Announcements

Midweek Service | Pastor Charlotte will be away starting 9/29. On Tuesday, 9/30, the midweek service will be noon prayer. On Tuesday 10/7, Fr. Richard Wendel will preside at Eucharist. These services begin at 12:15pm.

Supporting Migrants | The Episcopal Diocese of Chicago's Peace and Justice, Sanctuary, and Hispanic Affairs Committees, the Antiracism Commission, and Episcopal Charities issued a joint statement urging all diocesan churches, clergy, and laity to get involved as we redouble our efforts to welcome the stranger, protect the vulnerable and respect the dignity of every human being. Opportunities to show your support can be found at <https://episcopalchicago.org/standing-in-solidarity-with-immigrants-and-asylum-seekers/>. There is a live link in the eNews.

Limited Parking at COS | The parking lot is open for Sunday parking. You can access the lot via the alley behind the church, just like before, however there are fewer spots. Lurie garage parking is still offered for free on Sundays. Please pick up a parking sticker from the table in the narthex for Lurie parking, or ask a greeter. We still have a few more items to wrap up with the building so weekday parking may be impacted by trade vehicles. Evening parking for COS programming should be unaffected.

Bishop Clark Visit | Bishop Paula Clark will make her visitation to COS on Sunday, October 26. Be sure to be here to greet her in classic COS fashion as we celebrate together with one 10am service that morning. During her visit, she will receive adults at COS who are ready to be received. A special coffee hour will follow the 10am service. If you are interested in youth confirmation or being received, please contact Pastor Charlotte.

Spooktacular Sunday | Text TBD (from eNews)

All Saints Day and Baptisms | Text TBD (from eNews)

This Week at COS

10/20 Monday

6:30pm Men's Open AA (Parish Commons)

8:30pm Compline (Zoom)

10/21 Tuesday

7:30am Morning Glories

12:15pm Midweek Eucharist

10/22 Wednesday

10:00am Morning Prayer (Rectory)

7:00pm Senior Conversations

10/23 Thursday

7:00pm Education for Ministry (EfM) (Parish Commons)

10/26 Sunday (Bishop's Visit / Combined Service)

9:00am Sunday School (Rectory)

10:00am Eucharist featuring Music Ensemble

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