

# SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 - THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Prelude** - “Now Let Us Come Before Our God” tune *Nun Lasst Uns Gott Dem Herr*, setting by Johann Walther (8:00 AM), or the Bell Choir plays “Go My Children With My Blessing” Welsh tune, arranged by Donald Allured (10:30 AM).

Stand

## 905 Come, Thou Almighty King

1 Come, Thou al - might - y King, Help us Thy  
2 Come, Thou in - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy  
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred  
△ 4 To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal

name to sing; Help us to praise; Fa - ther all -  
might - y sword; Our prayer at - tend. Come and Thy  
wit - ness bear In this glad hour! Thou, who al -  
prais - es be Hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
peo - ple bless, And give Thy Word suc - cess,  
might - y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart,  
maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see,

Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
And let Thy righ - teous - ness On us de - scend.  
And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

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## Opening Versicles (Common)

LSB 260

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;  
**C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;  
**C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.  
**C** Teach me Your paths.
- L** Sanctify us in Your truth.  
**C** Your Word is truth.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

# Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261

*Refrain*

■ The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the  
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that  
day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,  
make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -  
claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."  
*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done  
glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the  
earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -  
hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the  
Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

*Refrain*

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
 Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son  
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;  
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will  
 be for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Amos 6:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion,  
 and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria,  
 the notable men of the first of the nations,  
 to whom the house of Israel comes!  
<sup>2</sup>Pass over to Calneh, and see,  
 and from there go to Hamath the great;  
 then go down to Gath of the Philistines.  
 Are you better than these kingdoms?  
 Or is their territory greater than your territory,  
<sup>3</sup>O you who put far away the day of disaster  
 and bring near the seat of violence?  
<sup>4</sup>“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory  
 and stretch themselves out on their couches,  
 and eat lambs from the flock  
 and calves from the midst of the stall,  
<sup>5</sup>who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp  
 and like David invent for themselves instruments of music,  
<sup>6</sup>who drink wine in bowls  
 and anoint themselves with the finest oils,  
 but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!  
<sup>7</sup>Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile,  
 and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

Pastor speaks the odd verses and **the Congregation speaks the even.**

*Psalm 146*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

**<sup>2</sup>I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**

**I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

<sup>3</sup>Put not your trust in princes,

in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

**<sup>4</sup>When his breath departs he returns to the earth;**

**on that very day his plans perish.**

<sup>5</sup>Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the LORD his God,

**<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth,**

**the sea, and all that is in them,**

**who keeps faith forever;**

<sup>7</sup>who executes justice for the oppressed,

who gives food to the hungry.

**The LORD sets the prisoners free; <sup>8</sup>the**

**LORD opens the eyes of the blind.**

**The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;**

**the LORD loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD watches over the sojourners;

he upholds the widow and the fatherless,

but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**<sup>10</sup>The LORD will reign forever,**

**your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Epistle

*1 Timothy 3:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. <sup>2</sup>Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, <sup>3</sup>not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. <sup>4</sup>He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, <sup>5</sup>for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? <sup>6</sup>He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. <sup>7</sup>Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

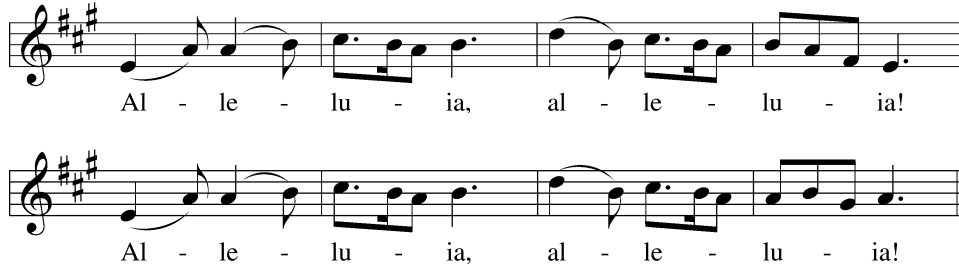
<sup>8</sup>Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain.

<sup>9</sup>They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. <sup>10</sup>And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. <sup>11</sup>Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. <sup>12</sup>Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. <sup>13</sup>For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## 952 Alleluia — II



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## Holy Gospel

*Luke 16:19–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup>who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup>and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup>And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup>And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup>But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup>And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup>He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Responsory (Common)

*LSB 263*

**L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

## Catechism

*LSB 264*

## Ten Commandments

**C** You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.

You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

## **Apostles' Creed**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life  $\text{✝}$  everlasting. Amen.

## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.

# 696 O God, My Faithful God

sts. 1-4, 6



1 O God, my faith - ful God, True foun-tain ev - er flow - ing,  
 2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing  
 3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing;  
 4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and ac - tions,  
 6 And on that fi - nal day When all the dead are wak - ing,



With - out whom noth - ing is, All per - fect gifts be - stow - ing:  
 What - ev - er You com-mand, My call - ing here ful - fill - ing;  
 Guard me lest i - dle speech May from my lips be fall - ing;  
 And let me find good friends For coun-sel and cor - rec - tion.  
 Stretch out Your might - y hand, My death - ly slum-ber break - ing.



Give me a health - y frame, And may I have with - in  
 That I do what I should While trust - ing You to bless  
 But when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,  
 Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small  
 Then let me hear Your voice, Re - deem this earth - ly frame,



A con-science free from blame, A soul un - stained by sin.  
 The out - come for my good, For You must give suc - cess.  
 Then to my words give grace Lest I of - fend the weak.  
 And by Your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.  
 And bid me to re - joice With those who love Your name.

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## Sermon

**Anthem** - The Bell Choir plays “*Go My Children With My Blessing*” Welsh tune, arranged by Donald Allured (8:00 AM), or  
 “*Now Let Us Come Before Our God*” tune *Nun Lasst Uns Gott Dem Herr*, setting by Johann Walther (10:30 AM).

*Stand*

## Prayer

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

### Collect of the Day

**L** O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Collect for the Word

**L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Morning Prayer

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.  
Amen.

### New Testament Canticle

LSB 266

*Refrain*

**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy-ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv-ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a-live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

### Blessing

- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
  
- P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C** Amen.

**Postlude** - “*Lord Of Light*” tune *Abbot’s Leigh*, arranged by Paterson.

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