

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

a little about the Scripture readings today
and the saints of the Church we remember
this week...

SCRIPTURE

FIRST READING **Isaiah 25:1-9**
*After a hymn of praise acknowledging God as a shelter
for the poor, the prophet portrays a wonderful victory
banquet at which death—which in ancient Canaan was
depicted as a monster swallowing up everyone—will be
swallowed up forever. The prophet urges celebration of
this victory of salvation.*

SECOND READING **Philippians 4:1-9**
*Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain
future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give
thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's
peace is with us and binds together our hearts and
minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us
do not seem peaceful.*

GOSPEL **Matthew 22:1-14**
*Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of
God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is
not to be taken lightly.*

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Teresa of Ávila, teacher, renewer of the church,
died 1582
October 15
A mystical writer and reformer of the monastic
order (Carmelites) to which she belonged, Teresa
may also be commemorated with John of the Cross
on December 14. Latino Christians traditionally
remember her on this date.
**Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, martyr, died around
115**
October 17
Ignatius was the second bishop of Antioch in Syria,
the city where the name "Christians" originated.
Ignatius is known to us from his letters, which
encouraged Christians to live in love, yet stand firm
in true doctrine.



Festive Liturgy
for
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
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Mt. Lebanon United Lutheran Church



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Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW)

Setting 3

Gathering

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

Prelude O Welt, ich muss dich lassen Johannes Brahms

The Sanctus Bells proclaim the advent of worship and Christ's presence with us. Please rise as the bells are rung.

Brief Order of Confession & Forgiveness [the faithful kneel or sit]

Hymn Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies ELW 553

Greeting The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

Prayer of the Day Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in Bible reading, preaching, and song.

Children's Message [10:00]
First Reading Isaiah 25:1-9

Psalms: 23 (sung responsively by whole verse)

Second Reading Philippians 4:1-9
Holy Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

Spoken response at the announcement of the Gospel: Glory to you, O Lord.
After the reading of the Gospel: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon Pastor Heagy
Hymn of the Day Now We Join in Celebration ELW 462
Apostles' Creed ELW page 105

Prayers of the Faithful [Response to each petition: Your mercy is great.]

Exchange of Peace

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering
Anthem The Lamb Roland Martin

Offering Response [the faithful stand] ELW 465 [refrain, stanza 1, refrain]

Offertory Prayer
God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue
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.

Proper Preface Insert
Sanctus ELW page 144

Verba [the faithful kneel]
Lord's Prayer ELW page 145

Invitation to the Table
Christ invites you to this table.
All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!
*Gluten free wafers available

Agnus Dei [the faithful stand] ELW page 146

Distribution
ELW 482 is sung during distribution of the Eucharist.

Post Communion Prayer

Sending

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

Blessing
Hymn Sent Forth by God's Blessing ELW 547

Dismissal
Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude Toccata in Seven John Rutter

Soli Deo Gloria