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ORDINARY TIME



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September 20, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Opening Worship:

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

The Acclamation:

Celebrant: Is the Father with us?

People: **He is.**

Celebrant: Is Christ among us?

People: **He is.**

Celebrant: Is the Spirit here?

People: **He is.**

Celebrant: This is our God.

People: **Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Celebrant: We are his people.

People: **We are redeemed.**

The 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.

Worship in Song:

My Worth Is Not in What I Own - #285

Wonderful, Merciful Savior - #199

The Collect of the Day:

O Lord, you have taught us that without love, all our deeds are worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you; grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons:

Psalms 103, 1 John 4:7-16, John 17:11-26

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(all stand)

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

People: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Response Song:

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

The Dismissal:

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

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

PRAYER NEEDS

- Gathering Church: "that [we] may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God." (Colossians 1:9-10)
- Persecuted Church: Pakistan

Our Prayer Team would love to pray for you! Fill out a Prayer Card at the Welcome table or send a request to prayer@gatheringspartanburg.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Pint Night – Wednesday, Sept 23rd, 8pm @ Delaney's

Women's Night – Thursday, Sept 24th, 6:30pm @ Little River (Fretwell)

Ladies' Book Club – Saturday, Sept 26th, 10 am @ Sally Hutsell's home. Discuss *Redeeming Love* by Francine Rivers over refreshments! RSVP to Sally by text at 209-505-1669. Address: 323 Autumn Glen Dr

Game Night with All Saints – Saturday, Oct 4th, 6:30pm @ the Rob. Bring some friends and your favorite games! Pizza provided.

WELCOME!

We're so glad you're here! If you haven't yet, please take a moment to fill out a Connect Card and grab a mug at the Welcome table.

Parents, nursery is available for children 4 and under at the main YMCA (first door on the right) at 9:45am. Children will be returned to the service before Communion.

CHURCH CENTER APP

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may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

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

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, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the cross.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Prayer Team would love to pray for you in the back during communion.

Communion Song: *Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

The Post Communion Prayer: *(all stand)*

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

Announcements

The Blessing:

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Song: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

The Nicene Creed: *(all stand)*

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son
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:

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution of Sin:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Peace:

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

The Offertory:

As we bring our gifts and offerings to the Lord, we remember the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, who Himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Doxology: (all stand)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Holy Communion:

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

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; For he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. (x3)
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace. On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he