

October 11, 2026

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20th Sunday after Pentecost

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 8:7-18 <sup>7</sup> “The Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, <sup>8</sup> a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey, <sup>9</sup> a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. <sup>10</sup> You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. <sup>11</sup> “Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes that I am commanding you today. <sup>12</sup> When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them <sup>13</sup> and when your herds and flocks have multiplied and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup> then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup> who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock. <sup>16</sup> He fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you and in the end to do you good. <sup>17</sup> Do not say to yourself, ‘My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.’ <sup>18</sup> But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.”

**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 <sup>6</sup> The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup> Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. <sup>9</sup> As it is written, “He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.” <sup>10</sup> He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup> You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, <sup>12</sup> for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. <sup>13</sup> Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your partnership with them and with all others, <sup>14</sup> while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. <sup>15</sup> Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

**Gospel:** Luke 17:11-19 <sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup> they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” <sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup> Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

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Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family !

We hope our worship will be a blessing to you. Our Lord’s Supper is being celebrated today. Everyone is welcome to receive this Holy Sacrament.

We live and serve on land that for thousands of years, Indigenous peoples have walked. We live on the traditional territory of several Indigenous peoples, including the Neutrals, the Mississauga, the Anishnaabe and the Haudenosaunee. We acknowledge their continuing stewardship of this land and we also honour the heritage and gifts of the Métis people.

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*Our Mission Statement:*

“In response to God’s love, St. Matthew’s is a faith community welcoming all to grow in faith, to worship Christ and to reach out to everyone.”

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**Where Two or Three are Gathered**

God of our morning, noon and night,  
**We bless you.**  
God of sowing and harvest, God of plenty and of want,  
**We bless you.**  
God of the earth, God of the universe,  
**We bless you.**  
God of the dry land, God of the waters that cover the earth,  
**We bless you.**  
God of abundance, God of those in need,  
**We bless you.**  
Come to us now, O God. Teach us through your Word, inspire  
us in song and prayer to see you and hear you in all of life.  
**Amen.**

**As We Celebrate Holy Communion Together:**

You are invited to come forward via the centre aisle and form a  
single line across from the steps leading to the altar area. Once  
you have communed and the pastor has spoken the communion  
blessing, you may place your used wine glass into the bowl on the  
stand near the side aisle. Then you may return to your seat via the  
side aisle.

**Worship leaders, ushers and counters for this week’s service:**

Scripture Reader Linda Borland  
Prayers Bobbye Goldenberg  
Usher/Greeter Bob Hansen  
Counters Bob Hansen & Carole McLeod

**Worship leaders, ushers and counters for next week’s service:**

Scripture Reader Bobbye Goldenberg  
Prayers Linda Borland  
Usher/Greeter Norm & Carole McLeod  
Counters Bob Hansen & Carole McLeod

Attendance Sunday October 4 - 9, one year ago 14.

**Upcoming Events:**

The next Church Council meeting will be Thursday October 22nd.

A congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, October the  
25th (after the Service) to approve the inspection of our building by  
the Fire Department and the Health Department to approve its  
suitability for use by a Montessori daycare.

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**Psalm 65** We Praise You, O God - ELW # 870

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*Reader:* Praise is due to you, O God; and to you shall vows be performed.

**We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.**

Happy are those whom you choose, whom you bring to live in your  
sanctuary. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house.

**We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;  
We bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.**

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our  
salvation. You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest  
seas.

**We worship you, God of our fathers; we bless you;  
Through trial and tempest our Guide you have been.**

You calm the roaring of the seas and the noise of the waves; you calm the  
uproar of the peoples. The whole world stands in awe of the great things  
you have done.

**When perils o’ertake us, you will not forsake us,  
And with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.**

You send abundant rain on the plowed fields and soak them with water;  
you soften the soil with showers and cause the young plants to grow. You  
crown the year with your bounty.

**With voices united our praises we offer  
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.**

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. We  
shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house.

**With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us.  
To you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!**

**Evangelical Lutheran Worship**  
Holy Communion Setting 10 - Page 203  
**GATHERING**

Reading of the Land Acknowledgement  
Opening Dialogue written by Lorraine  
Reinhardt for “**Where Two or Three are  
Gathered**” ..... a worship resource from  
the ELCIC (insert)

Hymn of Praise .....ELW page **204**  
“**Glory be to God in Heaven**”

Greeting  
Prayer of the Day

**WORD**

First Reading.....Deuteronomy 8:7-18  
Psalm (printed in Bulletin).....65  
Second Reading...2 Corinthians 9:6-15  
Gospel Acclamation...ELW page **205**  
“**Glory to you, O Lord**”

Gospel.....Luke 17:11-19  
“**Praise to you, O Christ**”

Sermon  
Hymn of the Day.....ELW # **523**  
“**Let Us Go Now to the Banquet**”

Prayers of the Church  
Sharing the Peace

**MEAL**

Offering Prayer  
Great Thanksgiving....ELW page **206**  
Sanctus “**Holy, Holy**”...ELW page **207**  
Eucharistic Prayer  
Lord’s Prayer.....ELW page **208**  
Lamb of God.....ELW page **208**

Communion  
Communion Hymns ..... **491 & 522**  
Prayer after Communion

**SENDING**

Announcements & Blessing  
Sending Hymn.....ELW # **547**

**“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”** Dismissal: Go in peace.  
 Serve the Lord. **“Thanks be to God”**