

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



***Sunday September 20, 2026
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist***

“Glorifying God as Agents of His Reconciliation”

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship,
let's pray together the Collect for Purity:

**Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

Please stand.

Hymn #140: Great is the Lord

By Deborah D. Smith | Michael W. Smith

Chorus

Great is the Lord
He is holy and just
By His power we trust in His love
Great is the Lord
He is faithful and true
By His mercy He proves He is love

Verse 1

Great is the Lord
And worthy of glory
Great is the Lord
And worthy of praise
Great is the Lord
Now lift up your voice
Now lift up your voice
Great is the Lord
Great is the Lord

Verse 2

Great are You Lord
And worthy of glory
Great are You Lord

And worthy of praise
Great are You Lord
I lift up my voice
I lift up my voice
Great are You Lord
Great are You Lord
CCLI Song # 1149

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME

Rev. Oz: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People: And also with you

GLORY TO GOD (sung)
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. For you
alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the
Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

Hymn #575: The Steadfast Love

By Edith McNeill

Chorus

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases
His mercies never come to an end
They are new every morning
New every morning
Great is Thy faithfulness O Lord
Great is Thy faithfulness (repeat)

Please be seated.

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth,
and ourselves in your image.
Teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE READINGS

First Reading – Jonah 3:10-4:11

Reader: A Reading from Jonah

10 When God saw their deeds, that they turned from their evil way, then God relented of the disaster which He had declared He would bring on them. So He did not do it.

4 But it greatly displeased Jonah, and he became angry. ²

Then he prayed to the Lord and said, "Please Lord, was this not what I said when I was still in my own country? Therefore

in anticipation of this I fled to Tarshish, since I knew that You are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abundant in mercy, and One who relents of disaster. ³ So now, Lord, please take my life from me, for death is better to me than life.” ⁴ But the Lord said, “Do you have a good reason to be angry?”

⁵ Then Jonah left the city and sat down east of it. There he made a shelter for himself and sat under it in the shade, until he could see what would happen in the city. ⁶ So the Lord God designated a plant, and it grew up over Jonah to be a shade over his head, to relieve him of his discomfort. And Jonah was overjoyed about the plant. ⁷ But God designated a worm when dawn came the next day, and it attacked the plant and it withered. ⁸ And when the sun came up God designated a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on Jonah’s head so that he became faint, and he begged with all his soul to die, saying, “Death is better to me than life!”

⁹ But God said to Jonah, “Do you have a good reason to be angry about the plant?” And he said, “I have good reason to be angry, even to the point of death!” ¹⁰ Then the Lord said, “You had compassion on the plant, for which you did not work and which you did not cause to grow, which came up overnight and perished overnight. ¹¹ Should I not also have compassion on Nineveh, the great city in which there are more than 120,000 people, who do not know the difference between their right hand and their left, as well as many animals?”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 145:1-8

I will exalt you, O God my King,
and bless your name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you
and praise your name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;
there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.

I will ponder the glorious splendour of your majesty
and all your marvellous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,
and I will tell of your greatness.

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

Second Reading – Philippians 1:21-30

Reader: A reading from Philippians

²¹ For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²² But if I am to live on in the flesh, this will mean fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which to choose. ²³ But I am hard-pressed from both directions, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for that is very much better; ²⁴ yet to remain on in the flesh is more necessary for your sakes. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that your pride in Christ Jesus may be abundant because of me by my coming to you again. ²⁷ Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear about you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel; ²⁸ and in no way alarmed by your opponents—which is a sign of destruction for them, but of salvation for you, and this too, from God. ²⁹ For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer on His behalf, ³⁰ experiencing the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear to be in me.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel.

The Gospel – Matthew 20:1-16

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St. Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

20 “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² When he had agreed with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And he went out about the third hour and saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴ and to those he said, ‘You go into the vineyard also, and whatever is right, I will give you.’ And so they went. ⁵ Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did the same thing. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing around; and he *said to them, ‘Why have you been standing here idle all day long?’ ⁷ They *said to him, ‘Because no one hired us.’ He *said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’

⁸ “Now when evening came, the owner of the vineyard *said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, starting with the last group to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about the eleventh hour came, each one received a denarius. ¹⁰ And so when those hired first came, they thought that they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ When they received it, they grumbled at the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These who were hired last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day’s work and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he answered and said to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what is yours and go; but I want to give to this last person the same as to you. ¹⁵ Is it not lawful for me to do what I want with what is my own? Or is your eye envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶ So the last shall be first, and the first, last.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Please be seated.

THE SERMON – Rev. Oz

After the sermon, silence is kept for a moment of reflection.
Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only 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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from 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.
With the Father and the Son

**he is worshipped and glorified.
He 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.**

Please kneel or sit to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Invitation to Confession

Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Rev. Oz: Most merciful God,

**All: 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 neighbours 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.

Rev. Oz: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

THE PEACE

Rev. Oz: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Please stand.

Offertory

Hymn: In Christ Alone

By Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The Love of God was Ratified
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

CCLI Song # 3350395

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: God of power,
the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe.
Accept our offering this day,
and help us to live in peace and harmony
with all your creation,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Oz: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you

Rev. Oz: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Rev. Oz: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. Oz: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator
of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit
you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ
our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and
wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all
the world. Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the holy people who have served you
in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the
glory of your name.

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Rev. Oz: We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."
After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
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 for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Rev. Oz: and we offer our sacrifice

of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ

and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and
daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Sung)

Rev. Oz: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**People: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,**

your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Rev. Oz: “I am the bread of life,” says the Lord. “Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.”

All: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

THE COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

*If you would like prayer during this time, the
Prayer Ministry is available by the font*

In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus’ gift after you have received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.

***Options at the altar rail: the common cup to your left,
bread and wine mingled together to the right.***

Music by Kyle Church

Post Communion Song

Please stand and sing.

Hymn: My Jesus I Love Thee

By A Judson, G William, R Featherstone

Verse 1

My Jesus I love Thee I know Thou art mine
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign
My gracious Redeemer my Savior art Thou
If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

Verse 2

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow
If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

Verse 3

I'll love Thee in life I will love Thee in death
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath
And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow
If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

CCLI Song # 27817

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Ruler of the universe,
all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son.
May we who have shared in holy things
grow into maturity in him.
This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

Rev. Oz: Glory to God,
People: whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.

**Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn #527: I Know Whom I Have Believed

Verse 1

know not why God's wondrous grace
To me He hath made known
Nor why unworthy Christ in love
Redeemed me for His own

Chorus

But I know whom I have believed
And am persuaded that He is able
To keep that which I've committed
Unto Him against that day

Verse 2

I know not how this saving faith
To me He did impart
Nor how believing in His word
Wrought peace within my heart

Verse 3

I know not how the Spirit moves
Convincing men of sin
Revealing Jesus through the Word
Creating faith in Him

CCLI Song # 31762

Leader: God has reconciled us to Himself

People: Let us go forth as ministers of His
reconciliation. Alleluia!

Prayers of the People – September 20, 2026

James wrote, “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16b)

OUR CHURCH

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights &

Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

The Right Reverend Shane Parker, Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada

The Right Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands

The Most Reverend Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church of Australia

IN OUR DIOCESE

All Saints, Medicine Hat

The Rev. Guy Snell; The Rev. Deacon Gloria Schirok

Diocesan Council

IN OUR SISTER DIOCESE OF THE WINDWARD ISLANDS

Grace Church, Riviere Doree with St. Paul and Christ-the-

King, on St. Lucia Rev. Dr. Eleanor Glasgow-Layne

IN THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

The dean, council, and congregations of the Southern Interior Region of the British Columbia Synod

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III; Prime Minister, Mark Carney; Premier Danielle

Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark; Medicine Hat Council Members;

Cypress County Deputy Mayor Shane Hok

OUR CITY CHURCHES

Little Plume Evangelical Church

OUR PROVINCE

Pray for healing, understanding, and peaceful dialogue instead of division for Alberta.

The Mustard Seed of Medicine hat

OUR WORLD

Cuba – Pray for a church in Cuba that shares what little they have with those most in need. Leaders ask us to pray they will “continue to be a blessing to others despite the pressure they face.

OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec
Nigel & Tobi P; Dottie P; Bev P
Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia,
Jerusha in Ghana
Barnabas Connections
Stewardship Committee
Saturday Meal Program

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Anne and Ric; Leela; John and Grace; Baby Ozzy; Shirley; Colleen & Phillip; Barb K; Sam; Baby Lochlan; Scott and their families

If you or anyone you know would like prayer, call the Office at (403) 526-7713



St. Barnabas Anglican Church

Our Mission is Glorifying God as
Agents of His Reconciliation.

"God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself -
and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation."
2 Corinthians 5:19

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We give thanks for the service of these people this morning:

Celebrant	Reverend Oz Lorentzen
Lay Reader	Warren Sandham
Prayers of the People	Lynne Windjack
Music	Jill Gloin
Readers	Grace Marshall
Bread/Wine Presenters	Kelly Cook & Val Trotter
Greeters	Veronica Blocksage & Dottie Platzer
Sound Board	Alan Deans
Lock-up	Steve Gloin
Offering Counters	Bev & Roger Jaeger, Grace Marshall
Altar Guild	Sharon Hogg & Grace Marshall
Lawn Mowing	Warren Sandham