

## Bulletin for October 11

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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*Welcome to our online worship. The service begins with a slideshow prelude around 10:15. Music in the slideshow is from our archives or from a creative commons source. All music is used by permission. (This long prelude helps us to make sure any glitches in the streaming are ironed out before the start of worship.)*

### Prelude

### Welcome

*The ushers and the rector welcome the congregation.* If you are new to us, consider filling out our [“get connected”](#) form, let us get to know you better. We are glad you’re here.

Call to Worship:

*The Officiant greets the people with these words.*

Dear friends in the risen Christ, we gather today to celebrate the Lord’s Day, and for a time to be united in prayer and praise with each other and those who have gone before us. Sunday has been called the Lord’s Day because it was on this day that Jesus conquered sin and death and rose to new life. As we gather online, let us be united in the spirit of Christ with the Church around the world and celebrate our redemption in Christ’s suffering, death and resurrection. As we gather, you are invited to light a candle in your own home.

*Silence may be kept for a time.*

Blessed be  
**Thanks be to God.**

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### Confession

*As we worship we ask God’s forgiveness for things done and things left undone and things done on our behalf so that we are reconciled to God and each other.*

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 have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

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## **Opening Acclamation**

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
**Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

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.**

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## Opening Hymn

O Praise Ye the Lord Hymnal 432



1. O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height; re -  
2. O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth, in  
3. O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound; each  
4. O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song to

joyce in his word, ye an - gels of light; ye  
tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth; praise  
ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round; loud  
him be out - poured all a - ges a - long! for

heav - ens, a - dore him by whom ye were made, and  
him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove; praise  
or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone, and  
love in cre - a - tion, for heav - en re - stored, for

wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.  
him who hath taught you to sing of his love.  
sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.  
grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

## The Collect of the Day

*The collect is a prayer traditionally used to help us prepare to hear the Word of God proclaimed in Scripture.*

Let us Pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

# The Readings

*We hear the stories of the experience of God from our spiritual ancestors. Following an ancient pattern originally from Jewish synagogue worship, readings follow a set calendar for what will be read when.*

## THE **FIRST READING**:

A Reading from the book of Exodus (Exodus 32:1-14)

The people saw that Moses was taking a long time to come down from the mountain. They gathered around Aaron and said to him, "Come on! Make us gods who can lead us. As for this man Moses who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we don't have a clue what has happened to him." Aaron said to them, "All right, take out the gold rings from the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took out the gold rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. He collected them and tied them up in a cloth. Then he made a metal image of a bull calf, and the people declared, "These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf. Then Aaron announced, "Tomorrow will be a festival to the LORD!" They got up early the next day and offered up entirely burned offerings and brought well-being sacrifices. The people sat down to eat and drink and then got up to celebrate. The LORD spoke to Moses: "Hurry up and go down! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, are ruining everything! They've already abandoned the path that I commanded. They have made a metal bull calf for themselves. They've bowed down to it and offered sacrifices to it and declared, 'These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I've been watching these people, and I've seen how stubborn they are. Now leave me alone! Let my fury burn and devour them. Then I'll make a great nation out of you." But Moses pleaded with the LORD his God, "LORD, why does your fury burn against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and amazing force? Why should the Egyptians say, 'He had an evil plan to take the people out and kill them in the mountains and so wipe them off the earth'? Calm down your fierce anger. Change your mind about doing terrible things to your own people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, whom you yourself promised, 'I'll make your descendants as many as the stars in the sky. And I've promised to give your descendants this whole land to possess for all time.'" Then the LORD changed his mind about the terrible things he said he would do to his people.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

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THE PSALM (106, 1-6, 19-23) ST. HELENA PSALTER

1. Alleluia! Give thanks, for the Holy One is good; \*  
God's mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Who can declare the mighty acts of God \*  
or show forth rightful praise?
- 3 Happy are they who act with justice \*

and always do what is right!

4 Remember me, O God, with the favor you have for your people, \*  
and visit me with your saving help;

5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect  
and be glad with the gladness of your people, \*  
that I may glory with your inheritance.

6 We have sinned as our forebears did; \*  
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb \*  
and worshiped a molten image;

20 And so they exchanged their Glory \*  
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.

21 They forgot you, their Savior, \*  
who had done great things in Egypt,

22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, \* and fearful things at the Red Sea.

23 So you would have destroyed them,  
had not Moses your chosen stood before you in the breach, \*

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## THE GOSPEL READING

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 22:1-14)

Jesus responded by speaking again in parables: “The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding party for his son. He sent his servants to call those invited to the wedding party. But they didn’t want to come. Again he sent other servants and said to them, ‘Tell those who have been invited, “Look, the meal is all prepared. I’ve butchered the oxen and the fattened cattle. Now everything’s ready. Come to the wedding party!’” ‘ But they paid no attention and went away—some to their fields, others to their businesses. The rest of them grabbed his servants, abused them, and killed them. “The king was angry. He sent his soldiers to destroy those murderers and set their city on fire. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding party is prepared, but those who were invited weren’t worthy. Therefore, go to the roads on the edge of town and invite everyone you find to the wedding party.’” “Then those servants went to the roads and gathered everyone they found, both evil and good. The wedding party was full of guests. Now when the king came in and saw the guests, he spotted a man who wasn’t wearing wedding clothes. He said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without wedding clothes?’ But he was speechless. Then the king said to his servants, ‘Tie his hands and feet and throw him out into the farthest darkness. People there will be weeping and grinding their teeth.’” “Many people are invited, but few people are chosen.”

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

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## The Sermon: The Rev. Mike Angell

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## Anthem:

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## Prayer for Stewardship and Blessing of Pledges

*Holy Communion's annual campaign for giving is ongoing. Today we will bless the pledges that have been gathered. If you haven't yet pledged, there still is time.*

**Gracious and everlasting God, the giver of all good gifts, you have blessed us and our parish abundantly. Grant us the hope to dream and the courage to live into our possibilities. Make us faithful stewards, both for the provision of our necessities and for the relief of those who are in need. Bless the efforts of our Annual Giving this year to extend the work of spiritual renewal in our church and community of faith. Through Jesus Christ, who gave all of himself, we offer this prayer. Amen.**

Gracious and loving God, giver of all that is life-giving. These pledges are tokens of the gifts you have given to us and they are pledged in thanksgiving for all we have received, for all we have been inspired to be, for all we are challenged to become, in this place. May they be the first fruits of all we have and not what we have left over. May we see them as our offering back to you for all you have given us. Make our gifts sacred, holy and yet earthy, filled with possibilities. **Amen.**

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## The Prayers of the People

I invite your prayers for the church throughout the world. For our companion relationships with [Cristosal](#) and the people and church in El Salvador; in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for **The people and ministry of St Francis Episcopal Church in Eureka, and Laurie called to be their vicar.** Pray for the Church.

I invite your prayers for our nation, for the upcoming election. I invite your prayers for all those in authority in our own communities and across this world. Pray for justice and good governance.

I invite your prayers for the earth that God has given us, that we might steward and protect the land and all its inhabitants. Pray for the earth.

I invite your prayers of thanksgiving. Shield the joyous, especially those who are celebrating a birthday this week: Bob Lewis and Charles Blackwell. And for those celebrating anniversaries: Katie and Carolyn Kramer. And in thanksgiving for the wedding yesterday of Markie Jo Crismon and Campbell. For what do you give thanks to God?

I invite your prayers of petition for those in any need or trouble, for all affected by the coronavirus. Pray for your own needs, and those of others.

I invite your prayers for that whole cloud of witnesses who have gone before us in faith. Pray for those who have died.

O God our strength and salvation, hear all our prayers this day, and grant that we may live in the joy of the Resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray in the way Christ taught us, and in the language of our hearts.

**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.**

**Padre Nuestro, que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre;  
venga tu reino; hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación, y líbranos del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.  
Amén**

## Announcements:

*Announcements are shared*

[See announcements](#)

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## Concluding Prayers

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# The Peace

*The Peace is then exchanged.*  
The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The Peace is then exchanged. Consider sending a text, a message on Facebook, or even writing a letter or email to someone who could use some peace.*

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## Concluding Hymn:

This Little Light of Mine

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the hymn 'This Little Light of Mine'. The music is written in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics: 'This lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine! This lit-tle light of mine,'. The second staff contains: 'I'm gon-na let it shine! This lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it'. The third staff contains: 'shine! Let it shine! Let it shine! Let it shine!'.

2. *Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine!*
3. *Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine!*

*The Deacon dismisses the congregation:*

Let us Bless the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Service Leaders**

Preacher: The Rev. The Rev. Mike Angell

Presider: The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti

Deacon: The Rev. Chester Hines

Lectors: Lacy Broemel, Emilee Walker-Cornetta, The Rev. Marc Smith

Prayers of the People: Heidi Volkl

The Lord's Prayer:

Greeters/Ushers: Shirley Mensah

Director of Music: Mary Chapman

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