

Church of the Holy Trinity

October 4, 2026 +

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Blessing of the Pets

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Prelude

Entrance Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymnal 383

The Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.*

The Gloria : Glory to God above! (vs 1)

Glory to God above

[SCOTLAND]

Wellington Hall

With spirit

1. Glo - ry to God a - bove! Heav - ens de - clare

La la la la la la etc...

his love; praise him, you an - gels, praise him all you

high and heaven - ly host. Wor - ship him, sun

and moon; stars com - ple - ment their tune;

 Psalm 148,
para. John L. Bell

 John L. Bell

 WGRG Iona Community

ground - ed in God's good pur - pose, let his

Refrain

grace be - come your boast. O sing hal - le -

lu - jah and praise God for ev - er
(v.3) ev - er,

more.
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The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may, for love of you, delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The people sit.

The Lessons

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

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

The people stand.

Psalm 19

Caeli enarrant

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *

sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

The people sit.

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

The people stand.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes’?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

The Sermon

Please stand or sit as you are able

The Nicene Creed

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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

Prayers of the People

Prisider: Gracious Creator, you have planted your people in a fertile world and called us to be faithful stewards and fruitful servants: Hear us as we call upon you on behalf of all your creatures, praying: The heavens declare your glory, O God, **and the firmament shows your handiwork.**

Litanist: Loving God, you have made us your own through Christ Jesus and given us a righteousness based on faith: Nourish your Church that we may be people who produce the fruits of your kingdom.

The heavens declare your glory, O God,
and the firmament shows your handiwork.

Nurture our nation that our confidence may not be in the flesh or in our own powers, but in the righteousness from God that is based on faith.

The heavens declare your glory, O God,
and the firmament shows your handiwork.

Inspire all people to obey your commandments, Almighty One, and pour the abundance of your mercy upon all who live in places of injustice and violence.

The heavens declare your glory, O God,
and the firmament shows your handiwork.

May this community know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death and attaining the resurrection from the dead.

The heavens declare your glory, O God,
and the firmament shows your handiwork.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O God, as we come to you offering intercession for those for whom we pray, especially _____. *(please add your intercessions and petitions, either silently or aloud, in the time that follows.)*

Hear our song of thanksgiving and love, as we pray to you with grateful hearts, especially for _____. *(please add your intercessions and petitions, either silently or aloud, in the time that follows.)*

Grant to all who have died the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus, especially _____. *(please add your intercessions and petitions, either silently or aloud, in the time that follows.)*

The heavens declare your glory, O God,
and the firmament shows your handiwork.

Presider: Watch over your people with providence and grace, O God, and be our cornerstone to keep us safe, that we may join in the fruitful work of your Son to bring forth justice and peace in a violent and divided world, through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Prayer List

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CHURCH

Our Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe
Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil
Bishop Mark Lattime and his family
In this Diocese: St. Francis by the Sea, Kenai
In this Deanery: St. Peter's Sitka

HEALING AND COMFORT

Margaret, Lin and Mo, Donna and Joe, Leah and family, Libby and Family, Isaiah, Christy, Kevin B., Jacqueline, Victoria, Izzy and family, Kay Smith, Corey P., Lena R., Susie Wright, Page, Dave, Ann Hoye

THANKSGIVINGS

THE DEPARTED

The Confession and Absolution

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

The Holy Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

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 God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

Santo, santo, santo

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.

Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to, e - res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

Text: Argentine traditional
Music: Argentine traditional

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Celebrant and People

2. You alone are holy,
and you alone are Lord
And you alone are the most high
Jesus Christ our Lord
3. Holy, holy, holy.
Hosanna in the highest!
Let all creation praise and sing
You are Holy Lord
4. Holy, holy, holy.
My heart, my heart adores you
My heart is glad to say the words
You are Holy Lord

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

Communion Hymn

Let us break bread together

Hymnal 325

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, 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 for ever. Amen.

Birthday, Anniversary, and Travelers Prayers, Announcements

Prayer for Birthdays

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant N.as he begins another year. Grant that he may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his trust in your goodness all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Anniversaries

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Prayer for Travelers

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel, surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing of the Pets

Bless the Lord, all you his creatures,

And forget not all God's benefits.

Celebrant: The animals of God's creation inhabit the skies, the earth, and the sea. They share in the ways of human beings. They have a part in our lives. Francis of Assisi recognized this when he called the animals, wild and tame, his brothers and sisters. Remembering Francis' love for these brothers and sisters of ours, we invoke God's blessing on these animals, and we thank God for letting us share the earth with all the creatures.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.... for the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea;

We thank you, Lord.

For the richness of the mountains, plains and rivers;

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women;

We thank you, Lord.

For all creatures that breathe, and move, and have life;

We thank you, Lord.

For the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers and trees;

We thank you, Lord.

For the trust you have shown in giving into our care these, our pets;

We thank you, Lord.

That each pet here may be treasured with care;

We thank you, Lord.

That we may love and honor all your works, O God;

We thank you, Lord.

That we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation;

To the honor and glory of your name, now and forever, we pray to you, Lord.

The Lesson

'But ask the animals, and they will teach you; the birds of the air, and they will tell you; ...and the fish of the sea will declare to you. In his hand is the life of every living thing...' (Job 12: 7, 8b, 10a)

Almighty and everlasting God, Creator of all things and giver of all life, let your blessing be upon all these animals. May our relationships with them mirror your love, and our care for them be an example of your bountiful mercy. Grant them health and peace. Strengthen us to love and care for them as we strive to imitate the love of Jesus Christ our Lord and God's servant Francis. **Amen.**

The Blessing of Animals

You are welcome to bring your pet forward for an individual blessing.

The service continues

Creator God, we give thanks that all things belong to you. We praise you for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your world. We give thanks for our pets that bring us joy and who help teach us the value of unconditional love. Grant that we may good caretakers for our pets that they may also know the joy of unconditional love. May our shared lives together always bring joy to others as we live, serve, and love all of your creatures, both great and small; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

May the Spirit of God, who is above all and in all and through all, fill you with the knowledge of God’s presence in Earth and the pulsing of Christ within you and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn

All things bright and beautiful
Hymnal 405

Dismissal

Tend the earth, care for God’s good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Please refrain from talking in the worship space until the postlude is finished.

	Sun, Oct 4	Sun, Oct 11	Sun, Oct 18	Sun, Oct 25
9:00 am Godly Play				
Leader/Support	Betsy & Ed	Alison	Alison, Ann	Alison
10:00 am Worship in Church				
Greeter	Larry	Julie	Larry	Julie
Worship Leader	Denise	Denise	Denise	Denise
Preacher	Denise	Denise	Denise	Denise
Acolyte & EM	Daniel	Bob	Debbie	Daniel
Lector & Prayer Leader	Kristin	Daniel	Patricia Lattime	Betsy
Musician	Kim	Laurie	Laurie	Kim
Counters	Kristen?	Julie	Bill	Julie
	Larry?	Hal	Larry	Alison
6:00 pm Worship at the Pioneer Home				
Worship Leaders	NA	Denise	NA	NA
Musician	NA	Laurie	NA	NA



Monday, October 19, 2026	noon	St. Luke, Evangelist
Friday, October 23, 2026	noon	St. James of Jerusalem
		The Loss of the Princess Sophia
Sunday, October 25, 2026	noon	Evergreen Cemetery
Saturday, October 31, 2026	noon	All Hallows Eve
Sunday, November 01, 2026	10:00am	All Saints Day
Monday, November 02, 2026	noon	All Souls Day
Saturday, November 21, 2026		Pie Day
Sunday, November 22, 2026	10:00am	Christ the King
Thursday, November 26, 2026	noon	Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 26, 2026	1:00pm	Parish Potluck
Sunday, November 29, 2026	10:00am	Advent begins
Monday, November 30, 2026	noon	St. Andrew, Apostle