

# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 30, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

**Processional Hymn: B #461**

**Collect of the Day**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**First Reading: Genesis 29:15-28**

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob

loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country - giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

**Psalm 105**

Tune: Richmond

Give thanks to God, make known his  
Name,  
His deeds, to everyone;  
Sing praise, sing praise to him and tell  
the wonders he has done.

Rejoice in him, all hearts that seek  
to know his Name and grace;  
search for the Lord and all his strength,  
and ever seek his face.

Recall the marvels God has done,  
The judgments of his mouth,  
O Abraham's children, Jacob's heirs,  
whom he has chosen out.

The Lord is God, throughout the world.  
His righteous laws prevail;  
His covenant and promises  
He keeps and will not fail.

**Second Reading: Romans 8:26-39**

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our  
weakness; for we do not know how to

pray as we ought, but that very Spirit  
intercedes with sighs too deep for  
words. And God, who searches the  
heart, knows what is the mind of the  
Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for  
the saints according to the will of God.  
We know that all things work together  
for good for those who love God, who  
are called according to his purpose. For  
those whom he foreknew he also  
predestined to be conformed to the  
image of his Son, in order that he might  
be the firstborn within a large family.  
And those whom he predestined he also  
called; and those whom he called he  
also justified; and those whom he  
justified he also glorified. What then are  
we to say about these things? If God is  
for us, who is against us? He who did  
not withhold his own Son, but gave him  
up for all of us, will he not with him also  
give us everything else? Who will bring  
any charge against God's elect? It is God  
who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is  
Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was  
raised, who is at the right hand of God,  
who indeed intercedes for us. Who will  
separate us from the love of Christ? Will  
hardship, or distress, or persecution, or  
famine, or nakedness, or peril, or  
sword? As it is written, "For your sake  
we are being killed all day long; we are  
accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Gradual Hymn: B #502** vs. 1 & 2  
before the gospel, vs. 3 & 4 after the  
gospel

**Gospel Reading: Mt 13:31-33, 44-52**

Jesus put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a

merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

**Offertory Hymn: B #334**

**Prayer over the Gifts**

God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Hymns: R #44,  
#165, #183

## After Communion: B #74

## Prayer after Communion

God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn: B #628

## SERMON NOTES:

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS for July 30,  
MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: MON  
7:15PM**

A year long journey using Following the Call: Living the Sermon on the Mount Together to explore Jesus' teachings.

**Bible Study is taking a break for the summer and will reconvene on September 11 at 7:15 p.m. We will be discussing Chapter 38, "Deliver Us".**

**PINT & A PASSAGE: TUES 7PM**

Join the conversation about the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday at Rob Roy's. Bring your Bible and an open mind.

**ONLINE FORM FOR ACCESSIBILITY  
PRIORITIES**



Thanks to Laura Porter, an online form listing identified accessibility concerns at St. John's has been posted. Please take

time to review the document and vote for those items of greatest interest to you. Please access our website at [www.stjohn-smithsfalls.com](http://www.stjohn-smithsfalls.com). Or, please use the QR code.

**What is Cursillo?**

Cursillo is a short retreat which helps our spiritual growth with God. The weekend, from Friday at noon to Sunday afternoon, includes inspiring talks, wonderful music and concentrated prayer time – all around a chosen theme for the weekend. There are several cursillistas (folks whom have attended a Cursillo weekend) right here at St. John's. The weekend helped us grow stronger in our relationship with our Lord. So, this September 22 – 24, 2023, there will be a Women's Cursillo Weekend held at Galilee Centre in Arnprior. If you might be interested or have any questions at all, please contact Trish Warren (613) 206-1405 or Kathy Porter (613) 283-7605.



## **For today's service:**

**Presiding Celebrant & Preacher:** Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer

**Reader & Intercessor:** Trish Warren

**Communion Assistants:** Kevin Lewis & Kathy Porter

**Greeters:** Carl Young & Beryl Young

**Readings for next Sunday, August 6, 2023:**

Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 99; 2 Pet 1:16-19; Lk 9:28-36

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## Weekly Liturgies

Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.\* – Wednesdays 10 a.m.

*\*Sunday School offered at 10 a.m. from September – June*

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