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FIFTH SUNDAY IN SEASON OF CREATION
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 4, 2026 – 10:00 AM
Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Season of Creation
Worship in-person and livestream

God sees the value in things we cast aside.

GATHERING

Prelude Assaggio for solo violin in Cmaj - J.H. Roman
Welcome and Acknowledgement of Lands
Gathering Song Gather Us In red book No. 532
Greeting
Kyrie Page 213
Glory to God Page 213
Prayer of the Day

WORD

Children’s Message
First Reading Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 ...Thanks be to God.
Psalm 19
Second Reading Acts 4:5-12 ...Thanks be to God.
Gospel Acclamation Page 216
The Gospel Reading Matthew 21:33-46 ...Glory to you, O God.
...Praise to you, O Christ.
Sermon
Hymn of the Day My Song Is Love Unknown red book No. 343
Affirmation of Baptism New Member Welcome Page 234
Prayers of the People Hear us, O God,
Your mercy is great.
Peace Sharing The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

In the church community we give our time, our gifts, and our resources.
We collect an offering as one way of giving.

Offering of Gifts
Offering Song Come, Let Us Sing - N. Sleeth - choir anthem
Offering Prayer
Great Thanksgiving The Creator be with you. ...And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. ...We lift them to our God.
Let us give thanks to Creator, our God. ...It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy Insert
Thanksgiving Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer Page 112
Lamb of God Insert

All are welcome at Christ’s table. The wine is served in individual glasses and the common cup. Red grape juice is in the centre of the trays. Gluten-free bread is available by asking the server. You may commune with bread or wine alone or ask for a blessing. Those worshipping online are invited to commune where you are.

Communion Songs
Before the Waters Nourished the Earth blue book No. 1049
Come to the Table blue book No. 961
Earth is Full of Wit and Wisdom blue book No. 1064

Prayer
Announcements
Blessing
Sending Song Christ is the Life blue book No. 927
Dismissal ...Thanks be to God.
Postlude

SENDING

Everyone present is invited to a time of hospitality in the Upper Hall.
Thank you to the Board of Care for hosting coffee hour.

Worship Assistants
Assisting Minister Don Storch
Kantor Nathan McDonald
Musician Karen Johnson-Lefsrud
Artist in Residence Kira Gill
Choral Scholar D.J. McGrath, Sabrina Blaase
Reader Jane Wicksteed
Livestreaming Chris McDonald
Communion Susanne Standeven, Zain Bhatti
Ushers Donna Delaney, Grant Froyland

Psalms 19

Refrain: The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's 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, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.**

⁵ 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. **R**

⁷ The teaching of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

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 forever;
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. R**

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

¹² **Who can detect one's own offenses?
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. R**

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

¹ God spoke all these words, ² "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ "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.

⁷ "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. ⁸ "Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹² "Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. ¹³ "You shall not murder. ¹⁴ "You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ "You shall not steal. ¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor." ¹⁸ 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 ¹⁹ and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen, but do not let God speak to us, lest we die." ²⁰ 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."

Acts 4:5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶ with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷ When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹ if we are being questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are being asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰ let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹ This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

¹² "There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

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