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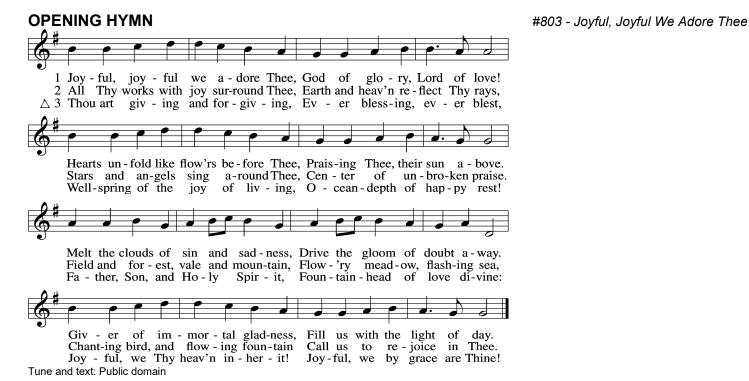
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# The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 11, 2020

**Color of the Day**: Red - it is a power color & is appropriate for use on Reformation Sunday. On this day we remember the power & fire of "the Lord and Giver of Life," who revealed himself as the promised one. The color red communicates the motif of strength-strength & power the Holy Spirit gives in order for God's people to call on the name of Jesus Christ & share that powerful name with others





# + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

(Stand)

- In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Kneel/Stand)

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

## C Amen.

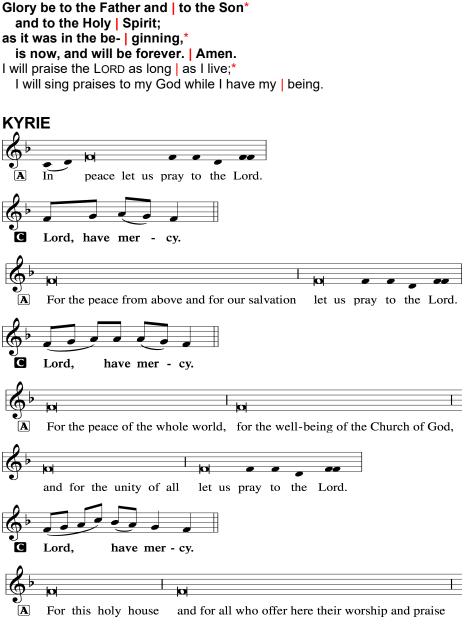
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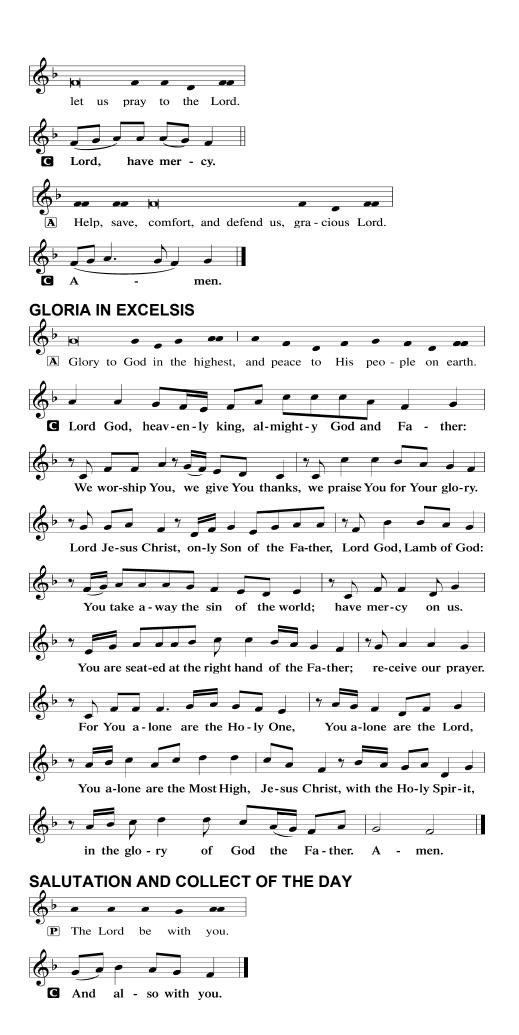
### + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT Isaiah 61:10; antiphon: Psalm 146:2

I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;\* I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being. I will greatly rejoice | in the LORD;\* my soul shall exult | in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of sal- | vation;\* he has covered me with the robe of | righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful | headdress,\* and as a bride adorns herself | with her jewels.

and to the Holy | Spirit;





P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 25:6-9

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. <sup>7</sup>And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. <sup>8</sup>He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. <sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL** Psalm 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels con- | cerning you\* to guard you in | all your ways.

Bless the LORD, | O my soul,\* and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!

EPISTLE Philippians 4:4–13

<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; <sup>6</sup>do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. <sup>10</sup>I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. <sup>11</sup>Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup>I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. <sup>13</sup>I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** 



HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 22:1–14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

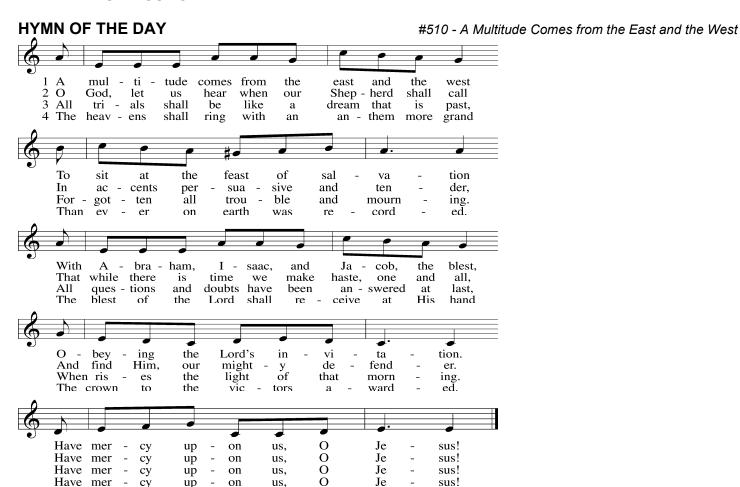
¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' <sup>10</sup>And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup>"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. <sup>12</sup>And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

(Sit)

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



SERMON Invited, Chosen?

Matthew 22:1-14

<u>Introduction</u>	
Over the past few weeks	
The Wedding Invitation	
Our text begins	
Because those called first	
The response	

The Second Inviation

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But the King, Yahweh is not done
The kings desire, God's desire
The wedding hall is filled, but
The Final Word
"For many are called, but few are chosen."
The Pharisees and the teachers of the law
Today we are reminded
Unfortunately, just as in His parable
Yes, we all need to hear the Law
Indeed, as Jesus concluded His parable
Even in the church,
Thanks be to God
Other Notes or Questions for Pastor:

Miss a sermon, need some inspiration, need a review of church doctrine (teachings), check out Pastor's blog at: <a href="http://rabswritings.blogspot.com/">http://rabswritings.blogspot.com/</a> or Pastor Mendez's new blog at: <a href="https://pastormendez.blogspot.com/">https://pastormendez.blogspot.com/</a>

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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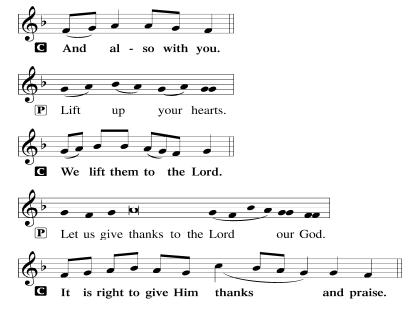


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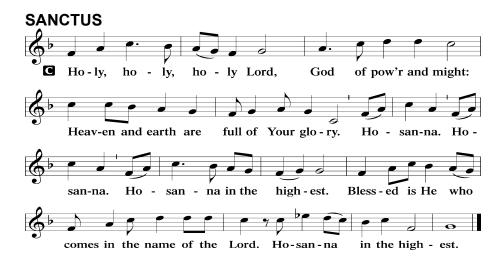


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# PROPER PREFACE (FULL)

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

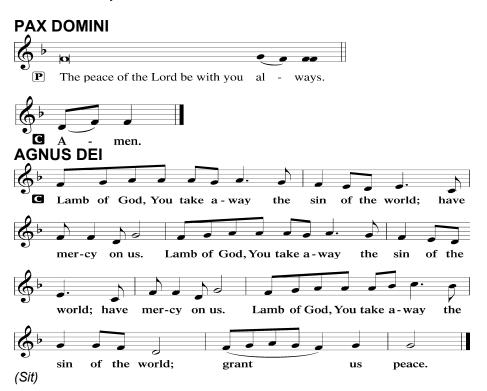
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

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 forever and ever. Amen.

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



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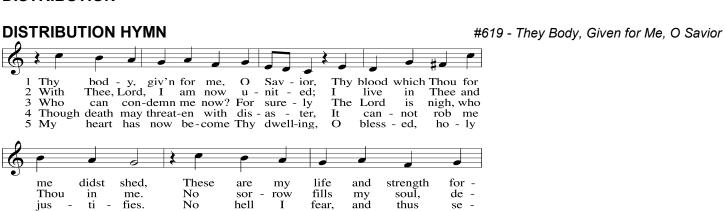
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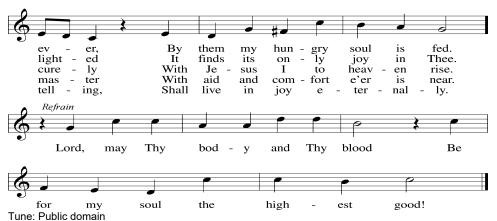
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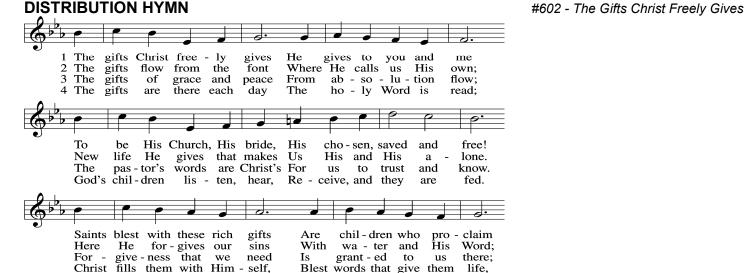
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5 The gifts are in the feast,
Gifts far more than we see;
Beneath the bread and wine
Is food from Calvary.
The body and the blood
Remove our ev'ry sin;
We leave His presence in
His peace, renewed again.

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All glory to the One
 Who lavishes such love;
 The triune God in love
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 Great love by which we live!

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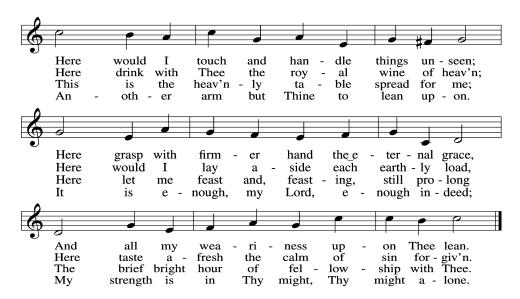
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5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;

Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood; Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:

Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God

6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;

The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;

Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.

7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,

Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the

Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,

The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.





He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



#### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.







P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





#813 - Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng

5 Still lift your standard high, Still march in firm array, As pilgrims through the darkness wend Till dawns the golden day. Refrain

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6 At last the march shall end; The wearied ones shall rest; The pilgrims find their home at last,

Jerusalem the blest. Refrain

> The Lord whom we adore: The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

One God forevermore. Refrain

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