St. John's Anglican Church, Ida Parish of Ida and Omemee

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Service of Morning Prayer

August 24, 2025

Welcome to Worship this morning!
We invite you to participate fully in the service,
and to remain following the service for our Coffee Hour.
Children are welcome to attend our Children's Program or to
remain with their families.

As we worship, at any time during the service, please assume whatever physical position is best for you.

The Gathering of the Community

I am the way. The truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, but by me. John 14:6

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn CP309 Praise the Lord With the Sound of Trumpets

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet, praise the Lord with the harp and lute, praise the Lord with the gentle-sounding flute.

Praise the Lord in the field and forest, praise the Lord in the city square, praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine, praise the Lord in the dark of night, praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light.

Praise the Lord in the deepest valley, praise the Lord on the highest hill, praise the Lord; never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal, praise the Lord with the pipe and string, praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.

Praise the Lord on a weekday morning, praise the Lord on a Sunday noon, praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, praise the Lord in the time of joy, praise the Lord every moment; nothing let your praise destroy.

Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet, praise the Lord in your work or play, praise the Lord everywhere in every way.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

Let us pray:
We thank you, O God,
that you have again brought us together
on the Lord's Day
to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing.
Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past
and your purpose in the week to come,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

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 neighbours 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.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray:
Almighty God,
we are taught by your word
that all our doings without love are worth nothing.
Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts
that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtue;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Amen.

Loving God,

thank you for life. Thank you for making us and loving us. Thank you for bringing us together to learn about you. Please bless our Sunday School teachers and children and help us all to know you better. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Children's Hymn Pass It On

It only takes a spark to get a fire going, and soon all those around can warm up to its glowing.
That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it:
You spread His love to ev'ry-one, you want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring when all the trees are budding. The birds begin to sing, the flowers start their blooming. That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it: You want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.

I wish for you, my friend, this happiness that I've found. You can depend on Him, it matters not where you're bound; I'll shout it from the mountain-top, I want my world to know: The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on. I'll shout it from the mountain-top, I want my world to know: The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

The Proclamation of the Word

We learn and reflect on God's word.

God of the living word, give us the faith to receive your message, the wisdom to know what it means, and the courage to put it into practice. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

The First Reading

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah (1:4-10)

After the reading
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (71:1-6)

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be ashamed.

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.

The Psalm Prayer

Holy God,

be our strength and our salvation, that we may never be ashamed to praise you for your mighty acts. We ask this through Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Second Reading

A reading from Hebrews (12:18-29)

After the reading
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Proclamation of the Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (13:10-17)

After the reading
The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Hymn The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' Blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' Name. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand. All other ground is sinking sand. All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand.

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His oath, his covenant, his Blood, support me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand. All other ground is sinking sand. All other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found. Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne! On Christ, the solid rock, I stand. All other ground is sinking sand. All other ground is sinking sand.

The Sermon

Phil Winslow

We Respond to God's Word

The offering plates will not be passed during the service. They will be available on the tables at the front and back of the church.

Offertory Hymn How Great Are You, Lord

How great are you, Lord, How great is your mercy, How great are the things that you have done for me. How great are you, Lord, Your loving kindness is filling my heart as I sing, "How great are you, Lord." How great is Your love, it reaches to the heavens. How great is the heart that sought and rescued me.

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Musical Interlude

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The Offertory Prayer

Loving God and Father, you have adopted us to be your heirs. Accept all we offer you this day and give us grace to live as faithful children. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Apostle's Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Either kneeling or sitting, let us pray. In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness; we pray for others as well as for ourselves; and we offer our lives in Christ's service. All this we do because we believe in the presence among us of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

After each Intercession: Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people. You know our needs before we ask and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We Go into the World to Praise and Serve God

Please stand as you are able.

Almighty God, with longing in our hearts for your Reign of Peace, make us eager to obey you, until your purpose is accomplished and the earth is filled with your glory.

Look at your hands, see the touch and the tenderness. **God's own for the world.**

Look at your feet, see the path and the direction. **God's own for the world.**

Look at your heart, see the fire and the love. **God's own for the world.**

Look at the cross, see God's Son and our Saviour. **God's own for the world.**

This is God's world.

And we will serve God in it.

Gracious God,

in you we live and move and have our being.
Guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit,
that in all the cares and occupations of our life,
we may not forget you,
but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight,
in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Closing Hymn SGP95 Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God our Father! There is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be. Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided—
Great is thy faithfulness,
Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain:

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, wondrous the portion thy blessings provide.

Refrain:

The Benediction

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ the risen Son, and the fellowship of God the Spirit keep our hearts and minds within His love. And to Him be praise for His glorious reign, from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n. We declare the name of the Lamb once slain: Christ eternal, the King of kings!

May this peace which passes understanding, and this grace which makes us what we are, and this fellowship of His communion make us one in spirit and in heart.

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The Dismissal

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Spirit, serve the world God loves.

Thanks be to God.

OUR LEADERS TODAY

Officiant Don Winslow
Preacher Phil Winslow
Accompanist Linda Parsons
Crucifer John Amesbury
Reader Rob McCamus
Intercessor Verbina Gonsalves

Technical Team Ben Conrad

and Hayley Bagg