

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

The 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Service of Holy Communion

October 4, 2026

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 and there is a special area in the sanctuary for them to use at any time.

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

The Gathering of the Community

*I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.
John (15:16)*

Opening Hymn CP 355 *All Creatures of Our God and King*

**All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voices, let us sing:
alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun and golden beams,
pale silver moon that gently gleams,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Earth ever fertile, day by day
unfold your blessings on our way,
O sing now, alleluia, alleluia!
All flowers and fruit that in you grow,
God's glory let them also show:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**All you with mercy in your heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
alleluia, alleluia!
All you that pain and sorrow bear,
sing praise and cast on God your care:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Let all things their creator bless,
and worship God in humbleness,
alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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.

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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

All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,
and peace to his people, his people on earth.
We praise you, we bless you,
we give you our worship,
and for your great glory we sing out our thanks.

O Lord, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty,
Lord Jesus the Christ and the Father's dear Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, only Son of the Father
have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us.

Lord, you take away all the sin of the world,
hear our prayer from your place
at the Father's right hand.
Have mercy upon us; you only are holy
and you, you alone, are our Lord and our God.

Lord Christ, Holy Spirit and Father Almighty,
Most High and most glorious, we give you our praise.
All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,
and peace to his people, his people on earth.

The Collect of the Day

O loving God,
keeper of the vineyard,
support your people by your Holy Spirit,
so that we may bring forth the fruits of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ, the eternal vine.
Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from Exodus (20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20)

And God spoke all these words:
"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

"You shall have no other gods before me.

"You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below.

"You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

"Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work,

"Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

"You shall not murder.

"You shall not commit adultery.

"You shall not steal.

"You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they trembled with fear. They stayed at a distance and said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen. But do not have God speak to us or we will die."

Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (19)

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

**One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,

**Their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the world.**

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.

**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.**

The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.

**The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for ever;
the judgements of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.

**More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.**

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

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

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.

**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 Psalm Prayer

Gracious creator of heaven and earth,
**your Word has come among us as the true Sun of righteousness, and the good news of his
birth has gone out to the ends of the world. Open our eyes to the light of your law, that we
may be purified from sin
and serve you without reproach for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Light and our Life. Amen**

The Second Reading

A reading from Philippians (3:4b-14)

Though I myself have reasons for such confidence.

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. I want to know Christ—

yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Proclamation of the Gospel

Gospel Hymn *CP 400 What Wondrous Love is This*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this

that caused the Lord of bliss

to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,

to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

when I was sinking down, sinking down,

when I was sinking down

beneath God's righteous frown,

Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul

Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

Please remain standing for the reading of the Gospel

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew 21:33-46

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

"Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

"The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. Last of all, he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said.

"But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and take his inheritance.' So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

"Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?"

"He will bring those wretches to a wretched end," they replied, "and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures:

"The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;
the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

"Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus' parables, they knew he was talking about them. They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

We sing:

**To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb,
who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.**

**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free,
I'll sing his love for me,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and through eternity I'll sing on.**

The Sermon

(A brief silence for reflection)

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say:

**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**

We pray for the world, the church and ourselves, assuming whatever physical position helps us to pray (remain standing, kneel, or sit).

The response to the intercessions will be:

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Invitation to Confession

Let us confess our sins against our Creator and creation.

A brief silence is kept.

God of compassion,
**have mercy upon us.
Heal our relationship with all creation.
Forgive us for our mistreatment
and neglect of the creatures
who share the earth with us.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent
for what we have done to harm them,
and for what we have not done to help them.
Fill us with your Spirit,
that we may care for one another and for all creatures, according to your will
and in the fullness of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.**

Absolution

God our Creator, enrich us with your grace, and nourish us with many blessings; defend us in trouble and keep us from all evil; accept our prayers, and absolve us from our offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen**

The Peace

Peace with yourself.
Peace with Creation.
Peace with one another.
The Peace of Christ the Creator be always with you.
And also with you.

Please turn to the people near you and offer a sign of God's peace.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

The offering of money is a sign of our gratitude for God's blessing of our lives, collected in the plates placed at the front and back of the church before the service. The offering plates will not be passed during the service.

Offertory Hymn *SPG2 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

Make me a channel of your peace:
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your healing power,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace:
where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

O, Spirit, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace:
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Let us pray:

God of truth,
receive all we offer you this day.
Make us worthy servants,
strong to follow in the pattern
of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Thanksgiving at the Table

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to

return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Holy, most holy all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom for ever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**Blessèd, most blessèd, all blessèd is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

A brief silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread which has come down from
heaven," says the Lord.
Give us this bread for ever.

"I am the vine, you are the branches."
May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Spiritual Communion

*For those who are worshipping with us online, we invite you to make your spiritual communion, by
inviting Jesus into your heart, saying "Come, Lord Jesus."*

A brief silence is kept.

*This is the table, not merely of the church, but of Christ.
It is made ready for those who love him,
and for those who want to love him more.
So come, whether you have much faith or little;
have tried to follow, or are afraid you've failed.
Come, because it is He who invites us to receive his life.*

*All are welcome to come to the altar rail. If you are not receiving the bread and wine, please come for a blessing, indicating this by placing a hand on your heart.
After the distribution at the altar rail, communion will be brought to those who wish to receive it at their seats.
Special prayer will be offered during communion for those who wish it at the back of the sanctuary.*

Communion Hymns

Hymn *CP65 Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread*

**Here, Lord, we take the broken bread
And drink the wine, believing
That by your life our souls are fed,
Your parting gifts receiving.**

**As thou hast given, so we would give
ourselves for other's healing:
As thou hast lived, so we would live,
The Father's love revealing.**

Hymn *Behold the Lamb*

**Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away
Slain for us and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.**

**The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ
Torn for you eat and remember
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.**

**The blood that cleanses every stain of sin
Shed for you drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in**

To receive the life of God
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

Hymn *There is a Redeemer*

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

*Thank You, O my Father,
for giving us Your Son;
and leaving Your Spirit 'til
the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer,
name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
hope for sinners slain.

Refrain:

When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever,
in that holy place.

Refrain:

The Community is Sent Out

The Prayer after Communion

Let us pray:

All your works praise you, O Lord.
And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God,
we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we,
who share his body,
live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights,
give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

May the God who sprung water from a rock,
quenching the thirst of those who wandered in fear,
spare us from the drought of a senseless life.

May the God who flows from the wells of salvation,
and who is Living Water to the foreigner, the stranger,
and the unknown, keep us in peace.

May the God who rolls on like a river,
changing the course of the world with streams of righteousness that guide the Church's vessel in
this world,
empower us to work for transformation.

The blessing of the Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom, keep
us and preserve us in eternal life.

Amen.

Closing Hymn *I Will Walk*

**And I will walk with You, and I will find a way
to show Your Word is truth.**

**And none shall fear, but all will know
the measure of our Father's endless love.**

**And I will walk with You, and I will find a way
to show Your Word is truth.**

**And none shall fear, but all will know
the measure of our Father's endless love.**

**Consider all the works Your hands have made,
the great and small from sea to mountain range,
the passion of our great Creator King
whose glory shines in all created things.**

**And on the earth for nation, tribe and tongue,
amazing grace extends to ev'ry one.**

You love them all.

**It was for these You died,
that all who call will find eternal life.**

**And I will walk with You, and I will find a way
to show Your Word is truth.**

**And none shall fear, but all will know
the measure of our Father's endless love.**

**Give me the faith that makes a mountain move,
and to believe the Gospel's pow'r to save.**

**To run the race, to run and not grow faint,
and some to save in Jesus mighty name.**

And I will walk with You, and I will find a way

to show Your Word is truth.
And none shall fear, but all will know
the measure of our Father's endless love.

And I will walk with You, and I will find a way
to show Your Word is truth.
And none shall fear, but all will know
the measure of our Father's endless love.

The measure of our Father's endless love

Send Us Out

Send us out in the power of Your Spirit, Lord.
May our lives show Jesus to the world.
May each thought and word bring glory to Your name.
Send us out in Your Spirit, Lord, we pray.

The Dismissal

Let us bless our God and all creation.
Thanks be to God..

Our Leaders Today

<i>Presider</i>	Rev Denise Byard
<i>Preacher</i>	Don Winslow
<i>Deacon</i>	The Rev. Deb Wilson
<i>Pianist/Music Director</i>	Linda Parsons
<i>Organist</i>	Sylvia Amesbury
<i>Crucifer</i>	Adrian Olley
<i>Reader</i>	Marilyn Marshall
<i>Intercessor</i>	Ted Hodgkinson
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	Valerie Smith/Moyra Seabright
<i>Technical Team</i>	Dalton George/Ben Conrad
<i>Prayer Ministry Team</i>	Jean Lush/Phil Winslow
<i>Anointer</i>	Cathy Olley