

# Wheat Ridge Lutheran Church

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 16, 2022



The Parable of the Persistent Widow

**Luke 18:1-8**

## 713 From God Can Nothing Move Me



1 From God can noth - ing move me; He will not step a - side  
 2 When those whom I re - gard - ed As trust - wor - thy and sure  
 3 The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?  
 4 Each day at His good plea - sure God's gra - cious will is done.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.  
 Have long from me de - part - ed, God's grace shall still en - dure.  
 In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.  
 He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,  
 He res - cues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.  
 So let me then be still: My bod - y, soul, and spir - it  
 He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.  
 I leave death's fear be - hind me; His peace I have with - in.  
 His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.  
 Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!

5 Praise God with acclamation  
 And in His gifts rejoice.  
 Each day finds its vocation  
 Responding to His voice.  
 Soon years on earth are past;  
 But time we spend expressing  
 The love of God brings blessing  
 That will forever last!

6 Yet even though I suffer  
 The world's unpleasantness,  
 And though the days grow rougher  
 And bring me great distress,  
 That day of bliss divine,  
 Which knows no end or measure,  
 And Christ, who is my pleasure,  
 Forever shall be mine.

△ 7 For thus the Father willed it,  
 Who fashioned us from clay;  
 And His own Son fulfilled it  
 And brought eternal day.  
 The Spirit now has come,  
 To us true faith has given;  
 He leads us home to heaven.  
 O praise the Three in One!

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## Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

**P** 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.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **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.**

**P** 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.

Stand

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 74:18–19, 21, 20a, 22a; antiphon: v. 2a*

Remember your congregation, which you have pur- | chased of old,\*  
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!

Remember this, O LORD, how the en- | emy scoffs,\*  
and a foolish people re- | viles your name.

Do not deliver the soul of your dove to the | wild beasts,\*  
do not forget the life of your poor for- | ever.

Let not the downtrodden turn | back in shame;\*  
let the poor and needy | praise your name.

Have regard for the | covenant,\*  
arise, O God, de- | fend your cause.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

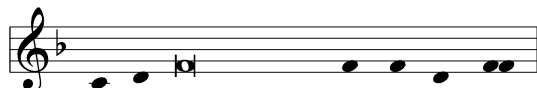
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Remember your congregation, which you have pur- | chased of old,\*  
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!

### Kyrie

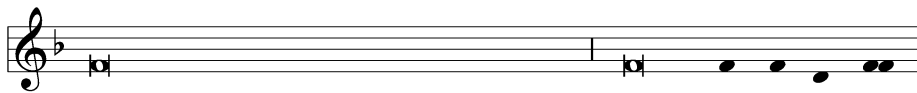
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**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



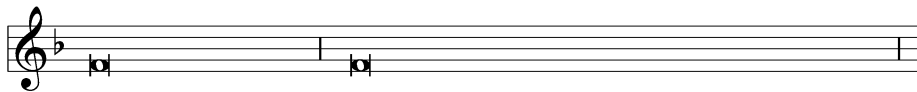
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



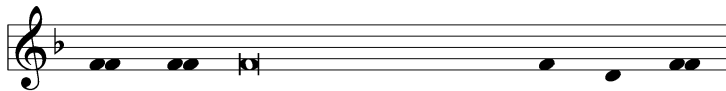
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### This Is the Feast



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*  
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.  
 O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

Genesis 32:22–30

<sup>22</sup>The same night [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. <sup>24</sup>And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** 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

2 Timothy 3:14–4:5

<sup>14</sup>As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

<sup>1</sup>I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup>preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

## Alleluia and Verse

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**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

Luke 18:1–8

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup>And

will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

### 734 I Trust, O Lord, Your Holy Name



1 I trust, O Lord, Your ho - ly name; O let me not be  
2 Bow down Your gra - cious ear to me And hear my cry, my  
3 You are my strength, my shield, my rock, My for-tress that with -  
4 With You, O Lord, I cast my lot; O faith-ful God, for -  
△ 5 All hon - or, praise, and maj - es - ty To Fa - ther, Son, and



put to shame Nor let me be con-found - ed. My faith, O  
prayer, my plea; Make haste for my pro - tec - tion, For woes and  
stands each shock, My help, my life, my tow - er, My bat - tle  
sake me not, To You my soul com-mend - ing. Lord, be my  
Spir - it be, Our God for - ev - er glo - rious, In whose rich



Lord, Be in Your Word For - ev - er firm - ly ground - ed.  
fear Sur-round me here. Help me in my af - flic - tion.  
sword, Al - might - y Lord— Who can re - sist Your pow - er?  
stay, And lead the way Now and when life is end - ing.  
grace We run our race Till we de - part vic - to - rious.

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## Sermon

*Stand*

### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

*Sit*

## Offering

*“Reflection on Come, Thou Fount”*  
Handbell Choir

*Stand*

## Offertory


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What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Service of the Sacrament




Preface




**P** The Lord be with you.



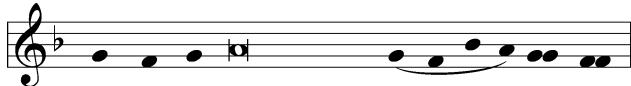
**C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.




**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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

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**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** 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.

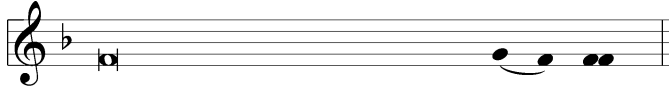
### The Words of Our Lord

**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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

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**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

### Agnus Dei

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**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution

### 634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord



1 The death of Je - sus Christ, our Lord, We cel - e -  
2 He blot - ted out with His own blood The judg - ment  
3 That this for - ev - er true shall be He gives a  
4 His Word pro - claims and we be - lieve That in this



brate with one ac - cord; It is our com - fort  
that a - gainst us stood; For us He full a -  
sol - emn guar - an - tee: In this His ho - ly  
Sup - per we re - ceive His ver - y bod - y,



in dis - tress, Our heart's sweet joy and hap - pi - ness.  
tone - ment made, And all our debt He ful - ly paid.  
Sup - per here We taste His love so sweet, so near.  
as He said, His ver - y blood for sin - ners shed.

5 We dare not ask how this can be,  
But simply hold the mystery  
And trust this word where life begins:  
“Given and shed for all your sins.”

6 They who this word do not believe  
This food unworthily receive,  
Salvation here will never find—  
May we this warning keep in mind!

7 But blest is each believing guest  
Who in these promises finds rest;  
For Jesus shall in love remain  
With all who here His grace obtain.

8 Help us sincerely to believe  
That we may worthily receive  
Your Supper and in You find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.

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### 549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
2 Crown Him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;  
3 Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,  
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da - vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.  
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.



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 Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
 The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.

5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
 The wormwood and the gall,  
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
 And crown Him Lord of all.  
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
 And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
 On this terrestrial ball  
 To Him all majesty ascribe  
 And crown Him Lord of all.  
 To Him all majesty ascribe  
 And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
 We at His feet may fall!  
 We'll join the everlasting song  
 And crown Him Lord of all.  
 We'll join the everlasting song  
 And crown Him Lord of all.

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### 739 Precious Lord, Take My Hand



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;  
 2 When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,  
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws near



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
 When my life is al - most gone,  
 And the day is al - most gone,



Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.  
 Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.  
 At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand,



Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.  
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.  
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.

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## 727 On Eagles' Wings



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, Who a -  
 2 snare of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, And  
 3 You need not fear the \_\_\_\_\_ ter - ror of the night, Nor the  
 4 For to His an - gels He's giv - en a com - mand To



bide in His shad - ow for life,  
 fam - ine will bring you no fear;  
 ar - row that flies \_\_\_\_\_ by day; Though  
 guard you in all of your ways; Up -



Say to the Lord: "My \_\_\_\_\_ ref - uge, My \_\_\_\_\_  
 Un - der His wings your \_\_\_\_\_ ref - uge, His \_\_\_\_\_  
 thou - sands \_\_\_\_\_ fall a - bout you,  
 on their \_\_\_\_\_ hands they will bear you up, Lest you



rock \_\_\_\_\_ in whom \_\_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_\_ trust!"  
 faith - ful - ness \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ shield.  
 Near you it shall \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ come.  
 dash \_\_\_\_\_ your foot a - gainst a stone.

### *Refrain*



And He will raise you up on ea - gles' wings,



Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the



sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand. 2 The

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*Stand*

## Thank the Lord

*LSB 164*



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



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear His name.

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

with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

**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.

**C** A - men.

**Benediction**

**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.

**C** A - men.

**924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing**

1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with  
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's  
 3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling  
 joy - and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion  
 pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,  
 Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;  
 In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
 Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,  
 O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.  
 may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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