

# St. Jude's Episcopal Church

Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others

# October 19, 2025 The 19th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Eucharist

### --- Everyone is WELCOME here, for everyone is beloved by GOD ---

*Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!* Our Fall Pledge Campaign borrows the Virgin Mary's song of praise as its theme for sharing stories of God's blessings and our response. Today we welcome *Tiffani Ferrier-Wharry*, Executive Director of Family Promise of Mid-Michigan (based in Flint), who will tell us stories of hope and good news, both during and after this service.

In our Scripture lessons, the "crying prophet" Jeremiah finally gives us some good news! Paul (or his follower) winds up his advice to young Timothy. And Jesus tells a strange parable about persistence in prayer. Should we pester God with our complaints? Perhaps there is a hidden meaning.

Are you new to our church? We'd love to get better acquainted. Please leave your name and email or phone number in one of our guestbooks, located at both entrances of the worship space; or by filling out one of the Welcome cards in the pew.

All persons who desire to receive Holy Communion are served here, no questions asked. We offer gluten-free Bread, which may be dipped into the small bowl of wine; or, consume your bread and sip wine from the chalice that follows. Or neither: just cross your arms over your chest. You may also ask a blessing from the priest.

Hymn # These hymns are located in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew. WLP # These hymns are located in the green hymnal books that will be handed out.

# The Gathering of the Community

Prelude	

### Open Acclamation & Collect

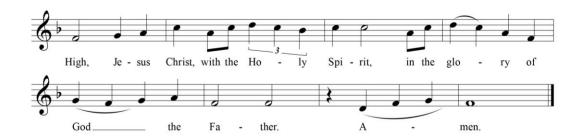
Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise: Hymn S-280, Glory to God \_\_\_\_\_\_ setting by R. Powell





### Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray, together.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Proclamation of the Word

Please be seated.

The First Reading \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jeremiah 31:27-34

Reader A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah:

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors

when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Pealm 110.07 104

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Thanks be to God.

The Dealm

Reader

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97 Oh, how I love your law! *	
all the day long it is in my mind.	
98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, *	
and it is always with me.	
99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, *	
for your decrees are my study.	
100 I am wiser than the elders, *	
because I observe your commandments.	
101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *	
that I may keep your word.	
102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *	
because you yourself have taught me.	
103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *	
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.	
104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; *	
therefore I hate every lying way.	
The Second Reading	2 Timothy 3:14–4:5

A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy:

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #302 \_\_\_\_\_Father, we thank thee who hast planted

Ι	he Gospe	el Reading Please stand as ableLuke	2 18:1-8
		The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.	
	Response	Glory to you, Lord Christ.	
	said, "In a that city t opponent and no re so that sh the unjus and night	s told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose he a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for parthere was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, `Grant me justice agent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, `Though I have no fear respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant he she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, "Listen ast judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to the? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"	eople. In ainst my r of God r justice, to what him day
	The (	Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.	

Please remain in silence for a moment of reflection following the sermon.

The Sermon Please be seated

The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again, in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Prayers of the People Please stand or kneel\_\_\_\_\_

Deacon: Recognizing that our gifts from God enable ministries, serve our neighbors, and strengthen our community, let us offer our intentions, petitions, and thanksgivings to the One from whom all blessings flow.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the Church, which calls forth our best efforts and supports our gifts of wealth, works, and wisdom. We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop; for the

leadership of our Diocese gathering in Convention this Friday and Saturday; and for all the baptized ministers in Christ's Body, the Church. *Silent prayer*When we tell out our praise,

Response: There is always more than enough.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the world and its creatures of every kind. We pray for those who lead the nations, especially for Donald, our President; Gretchen our Governor, and for our legislative and judicial institutions; and for lasting peace in the Middle East. May mercy and justice guide the decisions of those holding power over others, and the plentiful resources from God be shared for the good of all. Silent prayer

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Response: There is always more than enough.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for our neighbors who struggle to meet basic needs like housing, employment, food security and safety. For people who are marginalized and persecuted; for those who are fearful for their own safety or their loved ones'; for those who sleep on our streets. I ask your prayers for Family Promise, FARR, Crossover, and the other agencies who care for the neediest people in our community on our behalf, with our support. Silent prayer

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Response: There is always more than enough.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for those who are sick or dying; for the lonely and isolated; for those on our prayer list, and others we name... that they may be comforted by our loving God. Silent prayer

When we tell out our praise,

Response: There is always more than enough.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the departed. May they forever enjoy God's table of plenty, sharing eternal gifts with love and joy. We look forward with hope to joining them and all the saints, at the banquet given by Jesus Christ. Especially we remember those we love who have died... knowing they are at peace with God. Silent prayer When we tell out our praise,

Response: There is always more than enough.

Intercessor: I ask your thanksgivings for graces received. As Mary proclaimed the goodness of the Lord, and a leper recognized he had been made whole by Jesus, let us stop to thank God for the blessings of the past week, and the means to share them. Silent prayer When we tell out our praise,

Response: There is always more than enough.

Priest:

O God, make us grateful and generous stewards of your blessings, who neither hoard nor squander our earthly gifts. As we share them with the world, multiply their effects to bring hope and healing, joy and inspiration, as signs of your kingdom come. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.** 

Confession of Sin, please stand or knee	
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Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People 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 neighbors 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.

### **Absolution** is pronounced by the priest

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

The Peace	Please stand
Presider	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

### Milestones and Announcements \_

Tell Out, My Soul! \_\_\_\_\_ Tiffani Ferrier-Wharry, Family Promise

The Offertory, following an invitation to generosity from the priest

If you wish to give online, point your phone's camera at the QR code to the right and tap the webpage that pops up. It will take you to the St. Jude's online giving form.



Offertory \_\_\_\_\_ Come, Thou O Traveler Unknown "Duke Street" The Doxology Please stand & join in singing \_\_\_\_\_ Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow: praise him, all crea - tures here be low; Praise him a bove, ye hea - ven - ly host; Praise Ghost! Fa - ther, Son, and Ho ly

### The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer B \_\_\_\_\_\_BCP p. 367, rev. 2018

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

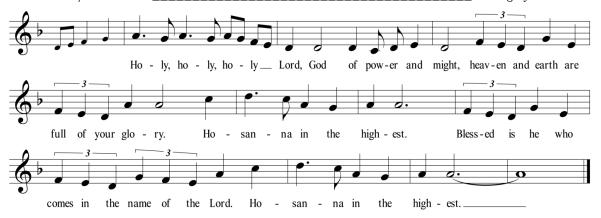
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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

#### The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth; for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The people remain standing or may kneel. The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

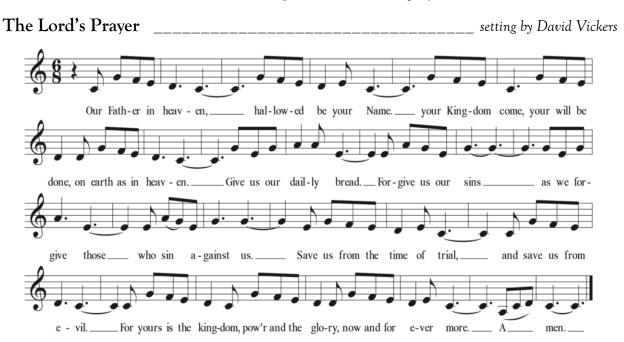
# All We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

Priest And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ,

and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Jude, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we make our prayer:

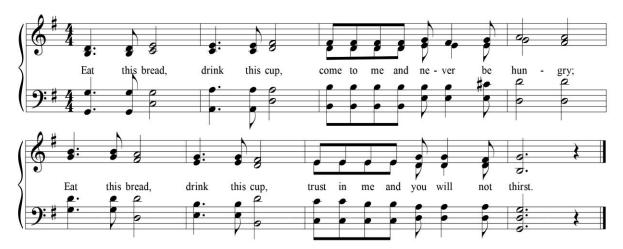


The Breaking of Bread, silence follows \_\_\_\_\_\_

Priest Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem\_\_\_\_\_sung twice; Taizé Community Music is on the next page.



An Invitation to Communion is said by the clergy\_\_\_\_\_ source: Iona Community

Deacon These are gifts of God for you, the beloved people of God.

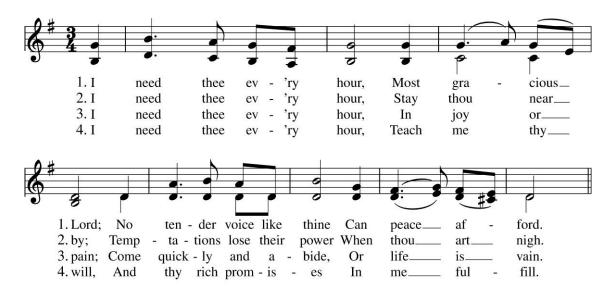
Priest Take and eat them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in

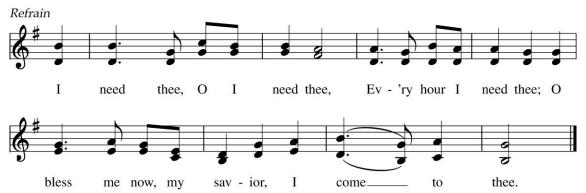
your heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

### The Communion

Please be seated until invited by the Ushers to come forward, or let them know if you would like Communion brought to you in the pew. **All are welcome** but no one is obliged to receive. If you would prefer not to receive Communion, please cross your arms across your chest indicating you would like to receive a blessing instead. Today we are blessing gluten-free bread. The wine may be sipped from the chalice, or wait to intinct (dip your bread) into the small bowl of blessed wine. Please do not intinct into the chalice.

Communion Hymn: LEVAS2 #192 \_\_\_\_\_\_I need thee every hour Music is on the next page.





### Prayer after Communion Please stand as able \_\_\_\_\_

Priest Let us pray.

People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing \_\_\_\_\_ The people respond, Amen!

# The Sending Out

Sending Out Hymn #536	_ Open your ears, O faithful people
Sending Out	
The Deacon dismisses the congregation, after which the people	le respond:
Thanks be to God, Alleluia,	Alleluia!
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The flowers that decorate our church this morning were given to the glory of God by Nancy Day, in loving memory of her beloved husband Ed and mother Dorothea.

Serving at the Liturgy	Today	Next Sunday
Presider	Rev. Susan A Williams	Rev. Susan Williams
Assisting/Deacon	Rev. Dcn. Judy Marinco	Dcn. Judy Marinco
Choir Director	Katie Young	Katie Young
Organist	Ron Spaulding	Ron Spaulding
Eucharistic Minister	Paul Dolza	Amy Freeman
Intinction Cup	Mary Louise S.	Dee Grossmann
Reader	Dolores Ruby	Paul Dolza
Prayers	Dee Grossmann	Jeff Wood
Ushers	Nancy D., Lynne R.	Dave & Deb James
Live-streamer	Dave James	Lynn Hopper
Vestry of the Day	Sue Premo	Dave James
Altar Guild	Terri H., Francine J.	Sarah D., Lisa Cronk
Coffee Hour	Team Freeman-Rosa	Pumpkin Carving

### **Prayer List**

Pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Anne, our Assisting Bishop; for all lay and ordained leaders in the Diocese of the Great Lakes; for Susan, our Priest-in-Charge; for Judy, our Deacon; for the Vestry.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop; St. James, Cheboygan - Lewis Crusoe, Priest-in-Charge; Plainsong Farm - Emily, Katharine & Mike, Co-Directors

Our prayers for healing and comfort are asked for: Emily Jane, Donald, Jill, Melissa, Jill, Tony, Marcia, Matt, Brian, Tim, Abby, Marilyn, Jeri, Pam, Glenn.

### This Week at St. Jude's...

ALL WEEK - ROOF WORK - Look for updates regarding building accessibility Mon.-Sat.

Tuesday, 10/21 1 pm: Prayer Shawl Wednesday, 10/22 6 pm: Choir Rehearsal

Friday, 10/24 - Saturday, 10/25 Diocesan Convention, being held in Saginaw Saturday, 10/25 9 am: Truckload Food Giveaway at Fenton Fire Hall

2 pm: Blessing of a Marriage

#### Stewardship - Tell Out My Soul!

October is Stewardship month! Make sure to grab your stewardship packet on Sunday and return you 2026 pledge card. Pledges are very important in helping us to determine our 2026 budget and ministry projects. Please make an effort to let us know what you plan to give to St. Jude's ministries in 2026.

#### Roof Work!

Roof work is ongoing. Some entrances may be closed on certain days and there may be a day or two that nobody can enter the church. We will keep you updated as necessary.

### Holy Rollers - Coin Collection

During the month of October, we will be collecting spare change to go toward the roof fund. There is a marked bin and jar in the library that will be checked and emptied regularly. Please drop off the change by next Sunday, October 26. On **Tuesday, October 28 at 11 am**, we will have a "Holy Rollers" party to sort and roll change for deposit at our bank. There is a sign-up sheet if you would like to join us. If you have a change-sorting machine you'd allow us to borrow for the day, please talk to Liz in the church office.

#### COMING SOON: Pumpkin Carving

Next Sunday it's a **Pumpkin Carving Coffee Hour** sponsored by the Social Committee. Goodies will include donuts, cupcakes, assorted candy, chips with salsa, pumpkin and zucchini bread plus coffee, cider, and water. Pumpkins will be provided for carving jack-o-lanterns. Feel free to dress for Halloween!

### More for All Hallows' Eve: "An Event So Good, It's Scary"

Friday, October 31 from 1-5 pm is the annual trick or treating event in downtown Fenton. We are again going to be a trick or treating site this year. There are several ways you can be involved! There is a cost to register as a site, you can donate money toward that and our costs for decorations and handouts (please note "trick or treat" somewhere on your check or envelope). You can also donate candy and small toys; or sign up on the bulletin board in Vandenbergh to share a shift and pass out goodies to the trick or treaters.

### Support Bright Futures with Family Promise of Mid-Michigan:



# 🗯 How You Can Get Involved with Bright Futures 🌟



We know your time is valuable - and we can use ANY amount of it! Whether you can give 1 hour or 2 hours, your presence makes a difference. You can get involved as a mentor, tutor, kid-wrangler, meal preparer, or by helping behind the scenes with organizing supplies, providing birthday kits, or even just showing up with encouragement.

Every role - big or small - makes a direct impact on a child's life.

Getting here is easy peasy, we are located on the corner of S. Saginaw and E. 3rd Street. There is plenty of free and secure on-site parking, plus an elevator straight to our 2nd floor space.

#### Here are ways you can plug in:

#### Tuesday and Thursday 3-5 PM

- · Tutor/Mentor: Help kids with homework, reading, or just being a steady, encouraging presence.
- · Kid Wrangler: Supervise outside play, join in a game, or help with art and activities.
- · Food Prep & Snack Helper: Assist in setting up after-school meals, handing out snacks, or packing food to send home.

#### Tuesday and Thursday 5-6 PM

· Dinner Provider: Bring a meal for families - stay to serve, or drop off. (Kids are welcome while you volunteer!)

#### Flexible Time Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday

- · Organizing Hero: Help keep our food pantry, supplies, and classroom neat, tidy, and ready for learning.
- · Birthday Kit Creator: Put together small kits with cake mix, frosting, candles, and a card so every child can celebrate their special day.
- Behind-the-Scenes Support: Pick up groceries, donate gas cards, or provide supplies like paper plates, napkins, and snacks.

🦬 No matter your role, you'll be directly helping kids feel seen, supported, and cared for.