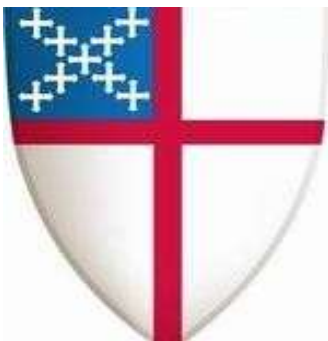


Sunday September 27, 2026
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



HOLY CHILD & ST. MARTIN
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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Liturgy of the Word

Entrance song

Celebrant: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

People: And blessed be his Kingdom now and forever. **Amen**

Informal Introduction

Celebrant: 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison

People: Kyrie eleison

Celebrant: Christe eleison

People: Christe eleison

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison

People: Kyrie eleison

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Celebrant: Let us pray

Collect of the Day: O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The first reading is from the book of Ezekiel

The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have

committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People

People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm

Psalm 25:1-8

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

The second reading is from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Reader: **Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People**

People: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord

People

Praise to you Lord Christ

Sermon

The Rev. Jureck Fernandez

Nicene Creed

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

Hear Our Prayer: Prayers of the People for the Revised Common Lectionary

Reader: Healing God, as we gather to express the longings of our hearts, shower on us your mercy and grace as we say, Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Holy Lord, shake your church, tumble us out into the world to continue the ministry of Jesus to bring wholeness to a broken world.

Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Move the hearts of this nation and its leaders that we and they might see clearly both what holds us together and what pulls us apart, that joining together we might build a just and merciful society.

Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Inspire the people of our local community; that this might be a place where people thrive and live in peace and neighborly good will.

Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Open our ears, our eyes, and our hearts to hear your call and empower our hands and feet to move closer to you through our service to others. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Fill us with awe in contemplation of the glory of your Creation and shake us out of our complacency that we might be effective stewards and champions of our natural world. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Tend those who suffer, bring to wholeness what is broken, reconciliation to what has been separated, and lift up what has been pressed down. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Fulfill your promises to the dying, care for the grieving, and grant us all an entrance into your eternal loving presence. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: We give thanks for the blessings our congregation has received and for the continued financial support from the Diocese of California and our beloved donors.

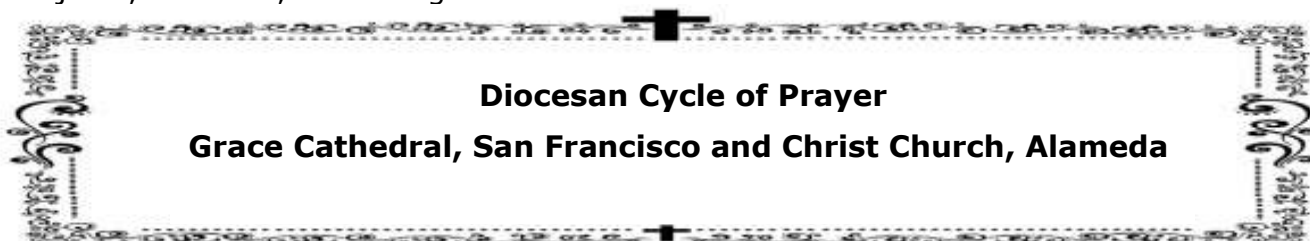
We give thanks for the ministry of the Bishop's Committee, the Music, Altar Guild, Lectors and Acolytes, Building and Grounds, Online, Outreach, and Food Pantry ministries.

We lift our prayers for the intentions of: Montalan & Quinere, Villalon, Angustia, Downs, Rubi, Bowdish, Gonzales, Dayrit, Flores, Perez families

We give thanks for the gift of life being celebrated this month by: Rosalia Basa, Makalya Downs, Jennah Flores, Andrej Cruz, Mila Vargas, Emilee Vargas, Luz Calzra, Rosa Francisco, Tina Benevades, Emma Corpuz, Esmenio Martinez, Dundee Boy Ronquillo, Cinderella Panela, John Carlo Montalan, Micah Torres, Matthew Sirwet, Reynaldo Jarabe Jr, Mia Rubi Susoeff

We ask for the grace of healing and peace for: Rosalia Basa, Marietta Flores, Romy and Amy Mijares, Chris Stock, Elizabeth Reece, Edna Marfori, Tita Bartolata, Alona Pailano, Ray Flores, Frankie Lino, Anna Angustia, Teresita Cochangco, Ellie Billington, Amelia Quinere, Susan Gabelo, Lily Young, Alice Yunevich, Debbie Yunevich, Ken Yunevich, Pablito Quinere, Arnold Dayrit, Nelly Sarmiento, Jane Tronoff, Myrna Villalon, Bernaliza Benin Ponco, Marlene Dayrit, Jennifer Downs, Mirella Pumacayo, Karen Gonzalez, Michael Quinere, Marcia Bowdish, Rev. Lynn Bowdish, Floreliza Sanchez, Christopher Officer, Sheena Officer, Mariko Rubi, Larry Susoeff, Maritess Clemente, Gil Galang, Lolita Lamsen, Luisa Garcia, Alma Beltran, Bigette Encinas.

We pray for the eternal rest of the souls of: Rolando Ferrer, Cerito Sumangil Jr, Guillermina & Lucis Laginte, Babe Concepcion, Auro Olivas, Antonia & Feliz Santiago, Lope De Los Santos, Luis Pica, Eden Agustia, Carlos Gascon, Rene Roa, Cristostomo Vellon, Aila Parangan, Oscar Perz, Carino Angustia Jr, Isabel Santoro, James H. Eason Jr, Ofelia Almojuela, Luis Pica, Mario Bugarin



Celebrant: Gracious Father, accept and grant our prayers if these are for our good and for the greater glory of your name. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Celebrant: *The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory song:

The Doxology

(Sung to the tune of Old 100th)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God, all creatures here below,

Praise God above the Heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Celebrant and People:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: 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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 Lord 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 he 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,

Celebrant and People:

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior

Christ has taught us,

we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant:

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,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast, Alleluia!

Lamb of God: Sung

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Post Communion Prayer: Eternal God, heavenly Father, we thank you because you have accepted us as living members of the Body of your Son Jesus Christ, and have nourished us with the Sacrament of his victorious life. May your words on our lips speak peace to all people. Send us with vision and courage to love and serve your Son Jesus Christ and your people. So will your name be praised and glorified, now and in time to come, until all be fulfilled in your kingdom. **Amen**

Prayer blessings

May the blessing of God, our Creator, who created us and all things and calls us to care for creation, be upon you and those you love. **Amen.**

May the blessing of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who walks with us in all seasons and calls us to love one another, strengthen and comfort you. **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, our Sanctifier and Sustainer, who renews our hearts, guides our steps, and brings us together as one body, bless you with hope, courage, and joy. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer blessings for travelers, life's milestones and memorial

Summary of donations/pledges/plate collection for the month of August

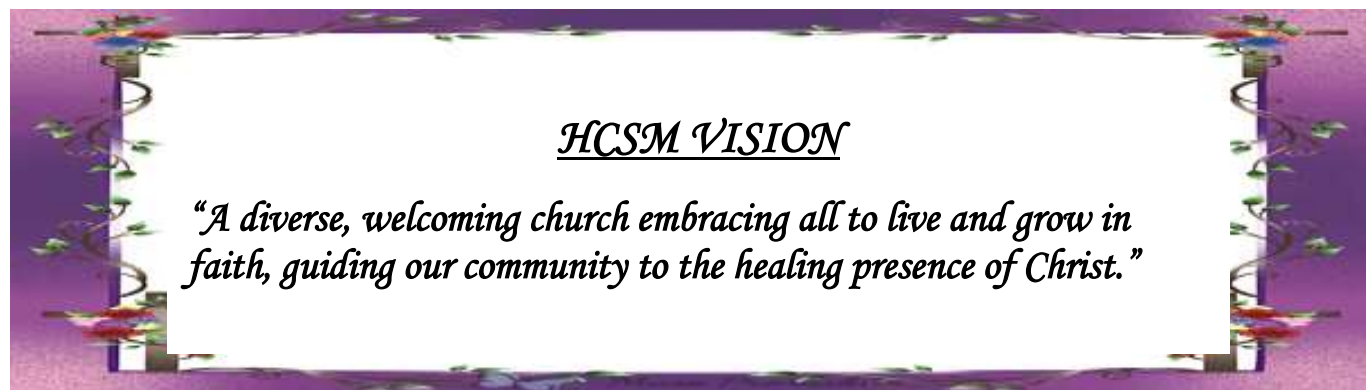
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Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

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Calendar of Events

September 29-October 1 Clergy Conference

*October 4, 2026 Feast of St. Francis
Blessing of the animals*

October 23-October 24 177th Diocesan Convention

*October 25, 2026 Feast of Señor de los
Milagros*

November 1, 2026 All Souls/All Saints

A Prayer for Peace

Gracious God of peace, have mercy on our troubled world. Put an end to violence, mend divisions between peoples and nations, and guide all leaders in the paths of wisdom, justice, and compassion.

Comfort those in need, protect the vulnerable, and support all those working for reconciliation. Make us instruments of your peace, so that we can spread Christ's love wherever we go.

And may your peace be present in every heart, community, and nation until the day when swords are turned into plowshares and your kingdom of justice and peace is fully revealed.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

