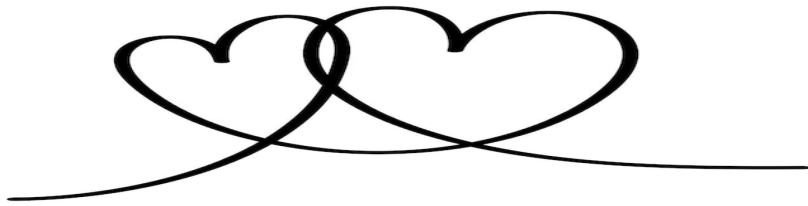


The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 6, 2026



- MATTHEW 18:20 -

Gathering Music
*"Seek Ye First
the Kingdom"*
(VU # 356)

Welcome



Announcements



**All Men are
welcome in
Erin's
“Coffee Guys”**

**Wednesday
September 9th
at 7 pm
by Zoom**



Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday
We Love You
Happy Birthday and may all your dreams come true
When you blow out your candles,
One remains aglow
Its the love-light in your eyes
Where e'er you go





Wendy &
John's
new home
in Italy







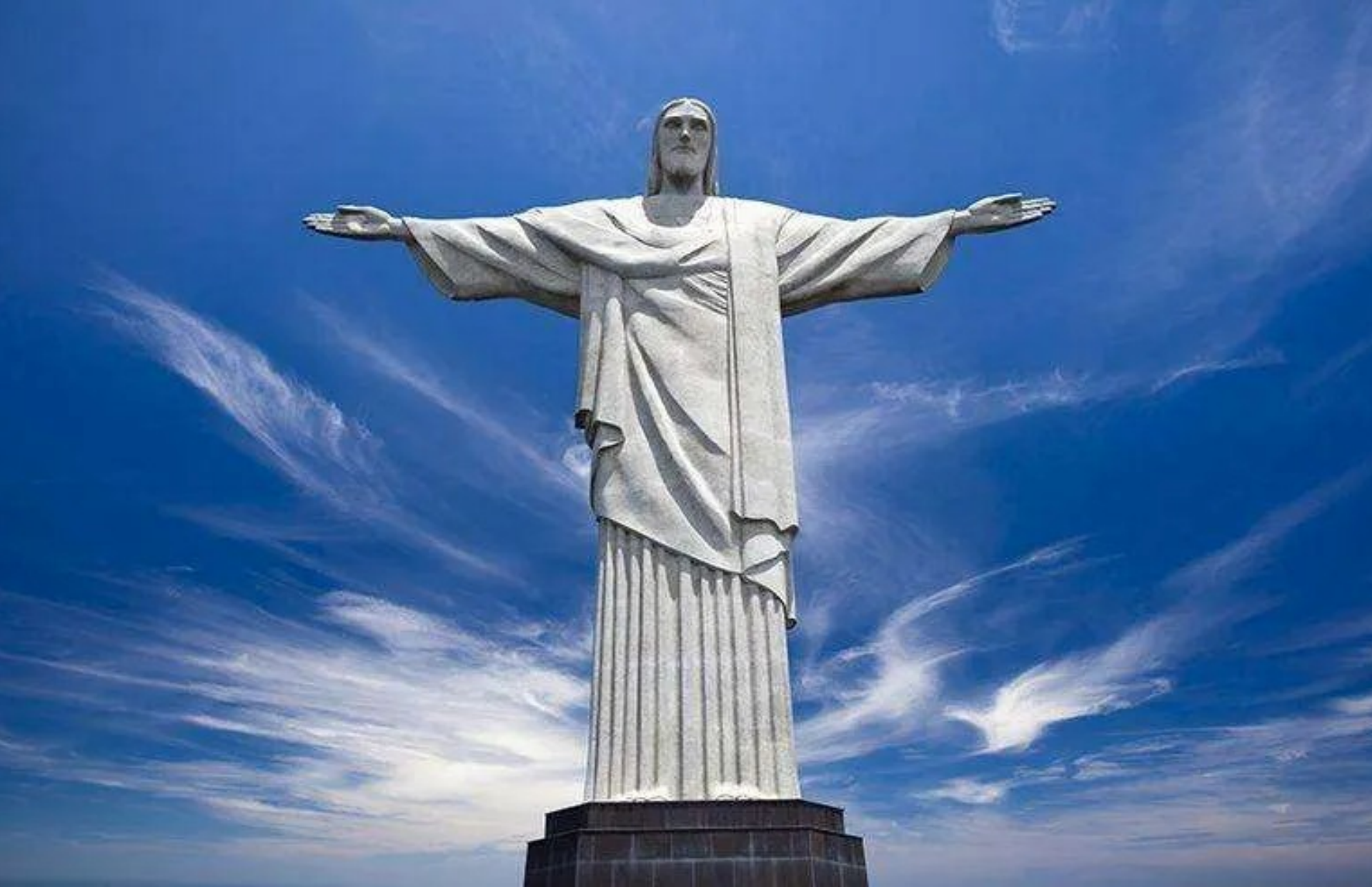
Light the Christ Candle



Around us, we witness sadness, conflict, and distress. We pray for peace.

Our prayers are put into action by working for a better world.

This light reminds us that we follow the One who gave everything so that we all might have abundant life. May it burn brightly each and every day,



Prelude

“O Worship the King”

Opening Prayer and Call to Worship

Triune God, the very ground of our being, we seek your Spirit in our worship today. We seek new life in you as we prepare for a new season in the Church.

Open us to all that is good and refreshing. Open us to the joy and hope of your kin-dom. Open us so that we may be open in loving others as we follow the Way of Jesus.

In our living, in our sharing, in our acting, in our caring... we worship God. **Amen.**

Hymn VU # 651

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,
feed me 'til I want no more,
feed me 'til I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
 be thou still my strength and shield,
 be thou still my strength and shield.

3 **When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of Death, and Hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises
 I will ever give to thee,
 I will ever give to thee.**

Prayer of Confession

Great Restorer of Life, we get disappointed when we try to understand who we are by the things we accomplish or the things we own or the labels others give us. So we return to you and ask you to give us a sense of what you have created us to be. May you help us find a common identity in the stories of your powerful works so that we can remind one another of who we are in your name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Sing to the Holy One a new song! Praise God with dancing, with tambourine and lyre. God takes pleasure in all God's people, offering forgiveness, hope, and a way when it seems there is no way. Let us live in God's freeing presence.

Thanks be to God !

Time with the Young People

by Rev. Yun-Hee



Hymn VU # 365

"Jesus Loves Me"

**1 Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
in his love we shall be strong.**

**R Yes, Jesus loves me ! Yes, Jesus loves me !
Yes, Jesus loves me ! The Bible tells me so.**

Musical Offering VU # 540

Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully



Offering Prayer

Generous God, may you bind us together in your purposes, Creator, that we may agree on the faithful use of these offerings to bring peace and healing. May we remember your presence within these very gifts. May we restore our hope in you. May we renew your Church in compassionate action. Amen.

(The children may now proceed with their guardians to have sharing time.)

The Scriptures

read by Marian

First Reading

Exodus 12:1–14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, “This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbour, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats

Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire - with the head, legs and internal organs. Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left 'til morning, you must burn it. This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover.

“On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. “This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD - a lasting ordinance.



Second Reading

Matthew 18:15–20

“If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the Church; and if they refuse to listen even to the Church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector. “Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on Earth will be bound in Heaven, and whatever you loose on Earth will be loosed in Heaven. “Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in Heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

This is the Word of God

Thanks be to God !



Message

by Rev. Yun-Hee



Hymn VU # 395

"Come in, Come in and Sit Down"

Refrain

**Come in, come in and sit
down,**

**you are a part of the
family.**

**We are lost and we are
found,**

**and we are a part of the
family.**

1 You know the reason why you came,
yet no reason can explain;
so share in the laughter and cry in the pain,
for we are a part of the family.

Refrain **Come in, come in and sit down,
you are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found,
and we are a part of the family.**

2 God is with us in this place,
like a mother's warm embrace.
We're all forgiven by God's Grace,
for we are a part of the family.

Refrain **Come in, come in and sit down,
you are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found,
and we are a part of the family.**

3

There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine;
we are the branches, Christ is the vine.
This is God's Temple, it's not yours or mine,
but we are a part of the family.

Refrain **Come in, come in and sit down,
you are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found,
and we are a part of the family.**

4

There's rest for the weary and health for us all;
there's a yoke that is easy, and a burden that's
small.

So come in and worship and answer the call,
for we are a part of the family.

Refrain **Come in, come in and sit down,
you are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found,
and we are a part of the family.**

Prayers of the People

Compassionate God, on this Labour Day weekend, help us to not make it into just another long weekend, but rather a time to reflect on the gifts and skills offered by those who labour in all aspects of life.

We remember workers who have lost their lives in workplace accidents. May their memories be a source of comfort to their loved ones. Wrap each mourner in comfort and consolation.

We give thanks to all those who are part of the labour movement. We cannot imagine our world without them. Help us to honour our own acts of labour, regardless of how great or small they may seem.

Especially today, we offer praise and thanksgiving to everyone who labours on behalf of this congregation and the wider Church. Bless the hands that repair and build, the hands that sew and bake, the hands that create, the hands that serve and heal,, the hands that play musical instruments, the hands that do jobs small and large to ensure the building is ready for Sunday worship, and the hands and hearts that pray each day for the work of your kingdom.

Ever-present God, yet another school, college, and university year begins this upcoming week. We pray for all students, that they may have a sense of excitement and adventure.

We pray for teachers, professors, lecturers, support staff, administrative staff, and all who work behind the scenes to ensure that the best learning environment is possible.

Grant inquisitiveness, a zest for learning, and respect for one another as this new school year unfolds. In Jesus' Name we pray. **Amen.**



VU # 960

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowéd 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.

1.

He leadeth me: O blessed thought !
O words with heavenly comfort fraught !
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

**He leadeth me ! He leadeth me !
By his own hand he leadeth me !
His faithful follower I would be,
for by his hand he leadeth me !**

2.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom,
sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
by waters calm, o'er troubled sea,
still 'tis his hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

**He leadeth me ! He leadeth me !
By his own hand he leadeth me !
His faithful follower I would be,
for by his hand he leadeth me !**

3 Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
nor ever murmur nor repine,
content, whatever lot I see,
since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

Refrain

**He leadeth me ! He leadeth me !
By his own hand he leadeth me !
His faithful follower I would be,
for by his hand he leadeth me !**

4 And when my task on Earth is done,
when by thy Grace the victory's won,
even Death's cold wave I will not flee,
since God through Jordan leadeth me.

Refrain

**He leadeth me ! He leadeth me !
By his own hand he leadeth me !
His faithful follower I would be,
for by his hand he leadeth me !**

Blessing



Know the deep and abiding love of God as you encounter life every day. Know the peace and the strength of the Holy Spirit in all your daily struggles and enjoyments. Know that, above all, you are always held and upheld in the loving presence of the Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Commissioning “Go Now in Peace”

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there within, around, above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.
Amen, amen, amen.*



**We thank God for being with us.
Thank you Congregation for worshipping
today
in person and by Zoom
and
for your participation in the Service !**

