

LAMPLIGHT SERVICE (* = please stand)
 ("Engaged in God's Work," Pentecost 19)

WELCOME

***SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

***SONG OF PRAISE: "Here I Am to Worship"**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

EPISTLE READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

***GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21:33-46**

***APOSTLES' CREED**

BIBLE MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: "Here I Am, Lord," by Dan Schutte

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

***BLESSING**

***CLOSING SONG: "Cry of My Heart"**

POSTLUDE

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sun 10/4	8:30 am	Divine Worship Service
	9:45 am	Coffee & Donuts (Gym) Exploring Our Faith (230) Biblical Citizenship (Music) Engaged in God's Work (Allan Hall) Sunday School (111/122/123) Youth Coffee Club (offsite) Security Team (120)
Mon 10/5	11:00 am	Morning Song Service
	2:30 pm	Life Chain (offsite)
Tues 10/6	5:00 pm	LWML Rally -Embryo Adoption (Allan Hall)
	3:15 pm	Kid's Knitting (Allan Hall)
Wed 10/7	5:00 pm	Soccer Shots (Soccer Field)
	9:00 am	Prayer Group (231)
Thurs. 10/8	5:00 pm	Prayer Group (231)
	5:30 pm	Dojo of the Risen Son (Gym)
Fri 10/9	6:30 pm	PTL Mtg. (129) Bible Study - Ruesch (Office Conf.) Lay Ministry Mtg. (Allan Hall)
	7:00 pm	Life Skills Class (Allan Hall)
Sat 10/10	5:30 pm	Champion Church (230)
	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Music)
	9:30 am	Bible Study - Chadderdon (Office Conf.) Bible Study - Chilcott (230)
	3:00 pm	Private Mtg. (231)
	6:00 pm	South Asia Fellowship (Allan Hall)
	9:00 am	SMLS Chapel
	9:30 am	Quilting Group (230)
	1:00 pm	SMLS CPR Training (Allan Hall)
	2:30 pm	Knitting Group (Naumann Room)
	3:30 pm	LWR pizza for MS helpers
	8:00 am	Men's Bible Study (230)
	9:00 am	Music Rehearsal - Connon (Sanctuary) LWR Truck loading (Parking Lot)
	10:00 am	Highley-Stewart Baby Shower
	5:00 pm	Lamplight Worship



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ENGAGED IN GOD'S WORK, "PENTECOST 19"
October 3, 2026
 5:00 PM



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Isaiah 5:1–7

Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. ³And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? ⁵And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

Philippians 3:4b–14

Though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 21:33–46

“Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. ³⁴When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ ³⁹And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.” ⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes’ ⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.” ⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.