

# St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church

1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

*Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

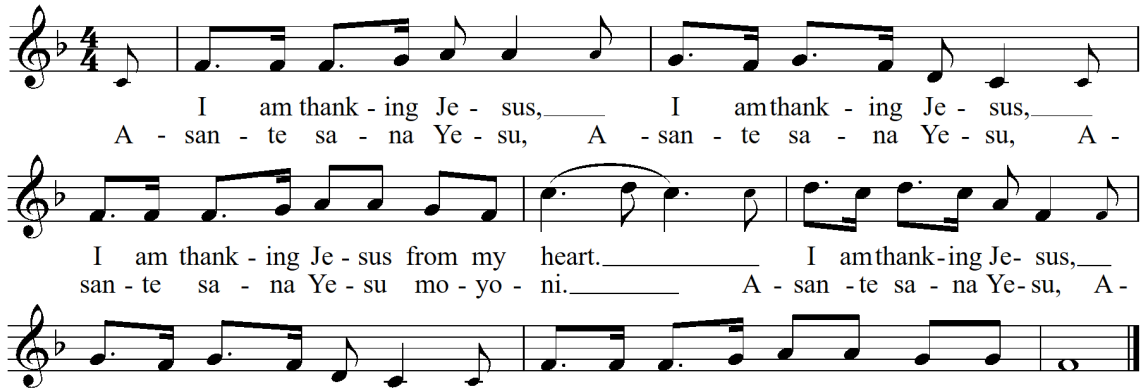
**8:30 a.m. Service**

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

## *Gathering*

Welcome Naiman Kyungai from Sing'isi Lutheran Parish!



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*(Please stand as you are able)*

Call to Worship

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place.

**Here may the faithful be awakened.**

Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged.

**Here may the sorrowful find comfort.**

Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed.

**Here may the despairing find consolation and the yearning be inspired.**

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**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

Anthem

*Ev'ry Creature Praise the Lord!* By Brad Nix  
Praise Kids!

Word

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Gospel Acclamation

**If God Is For Us**

The musical notation is written on two staves in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "If God is for us, who can be a - gainst us? God is our sal - va - tion. Al - le - lu - ia!"

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Gospel

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The holy gospel according to Luke, the 18<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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Gospel Response

The Gospel of the Lord for you this day.

**Praise to you, O Christ.***(Please be seated)*

Sermon

Pastor Matthew Schlake-Kruse

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Hymn of the Day

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Apostles' Creed

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**Amen.**

## *Welcoming of New Members*

*(Please be seated)*

Calling Forward our New Members

Welcoming our New Members

We are here this morning to welcome these new members into the community which is St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. We are not a building, but the gathered family of God. We are brothers and sisters in Christ, given this new identity through our baptism into Jesus' death and resurrection. Today we welcome you as members of this family in the larger body of Christ.

And so we ask, do you desire to join the membership of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church? If so please answer: "We do."

Let us pray. Gracious God, as you called James and John, Simon and Andrew to fish for people, so you have called us to serve you with our own talents and resources. We thank you for bringing to us these new members. You have told us that wherever two or more are gathered in your name, there you are with them. Help us, we pray, to see and feel that presence and that others may come to know you through their interactions with us.

**Amen.**

As active followers of Jesus Christ, we are called to spread the Good News. We encourage you to accept that call through your involvement in the church.

**We welcome you as brothers and sisters in Christ, and thank God for this unique opportunity to serve God and one another. May the God to whom we belong equip us for every good work that we do together in his name.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

As God has given us peace through Christ, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other. The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Thanksgiving

*(Please be seated)*

Musical Offering

*Holy, Holy, Holy* arr. by Dan Edwards  
The EmBELLishments

Offertory Response

**#185 Create in Me**

Thanksgiving for the Word

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Lord's Prayer

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**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,**

**your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## Sending

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Today's Highlights

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Stewardship Temple Talk

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Blessing

People of God, you have been called to be Disciples of Christ. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love God and serve your neighbor.

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Postlude

*Your presence has blessed our worship service. May you be strengthened by the strong word of God*

*expressed through music and worship today.*

*The peace of the Lord be with you as you go.*

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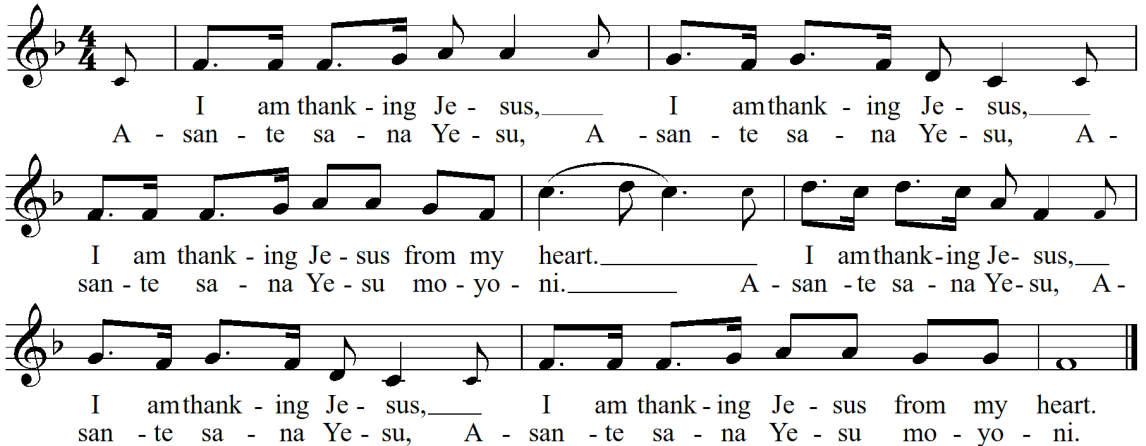
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*Ring Joyfully* by Susan Geschke - Righteous Ringers

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Order of Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

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

Today we consider the faith which God has given us, and what we do with it.

Recognizing our need for God's mercy, let us confess our sin, and seek reconciliation with God and each other.

*(Silence is kept for meditation and self-examination)*



God of justice and compassion,

**We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, we have not been faithful stewards of your creation, and we have not persisted in prayer. But we pray you, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your faithful Son, hear our ongoing prayers, that we may rise to live before you in righteousness and true holiness.**

Our gracious God has given us the faith we need to live in this world, to resist temptation, and to live with God eternally. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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## Meal

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Musical Offering

*O Great God* arr. by Joey Hoelscher, Senior Choir;  
Andy Miller, Pennywhistle; Melissa Mann, Violin

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Offertory Response

**#183 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful**

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Almighty God, steadfast Judge, we cry to you for mercy and you provide!  
Make us persistent in our requests, O God. Make us persistent in our acts of love.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

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Sanctus

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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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Invitation to Communion

*(Please be seated)*

Call to Communion

**All Are Welcome [Stanza 3]**

Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where peace and jus - tice  
meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and  
space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
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Communion Anthem

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* – Senior Choir

Communion Hymn

**#479 We Come to the Hungry Feast**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Post-Communion Response

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now just received, strengthen you and keep you in God's love and grace.

**Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, your love for us was eternally persistent for it led you to the cross and death. Your love for us was eternally persistent for it led you to the tomb, and to life again. Motivate us by your gracious example. Make our love persistent. We bless you now and evermore.

**Amen.**

## *Sending*

Sending of Communion

Let us pray. O God of tender compassion, as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are sick, homebound, or imprisoned. May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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