

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 12A)
26 July 2026

Presentation of the Offering

Dear Savior, give us grace to lovingly, unselfishly dedicate ourselves and our possessions for use in Your kingdom. Mindful of our shortcomings and sins we bring this offering to Your altar in a spirit of meekness and repentance. Forgive us for all the times we have been uncharitable, greedy, and selfish, and open our hearts to give to You in love as in perfect love You gave Yourself for us and continue to provide unto us. Hear us to the glory of Your name. Amen.

Prayer of the Church — Responsive Form

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord, preserve us from error and deliver us from temptation. Grant that we may abide in Christ and His word of truth, remaining steadfast and immovable until the end. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, You send out pastors to preach and teach the whole counsel of Your Word. Grant that they may serve You faithfully, and that we may receive their words with joy and thanksgiving. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, You have given us various offices in our lives. Grant us faithfulness in these callings, that we may see them as gifts through which we serve You and our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Lord, grant wisdom to Donald, our president; Jay, our governor; and all who make, administer and judge our laws, that they may seek what is best for all in accordance with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, bestow Your comfort on all who are burdened by sickness and affliction, especially Linda, Ellen, Ann, Ralph, Marty, Paula, Cindy, Joyce, John, Betty, Chad, Marcia, Jessica, Rosalie, Larry, Linda, Jodi, Ken, Mary Jayne, Joline, Aaron, Justin, Drew, David, Jeff, Lyall, Carolyn, Carolyn, Denise, and Marilyn. Grant that they may await healing and deliverance in the firm conviction that nothing can separate them from Your love in Christ Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, remember Dave and Denise Schmedt. Bless them in body and soul with all things needful for this life and eternity. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we know that neither life nor death can separate us from Your love in Christ Jesus, our Lord. We thank You for all who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and we ask You to grant us also our inheritance with the saints in light. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

These and whatsoever other things You would have us ask of You, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only Son, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect for the Word

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.