

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

Proper 19A Psalm 143:1–2; antiphon: v. 9**P** Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord! I have fled to you for refuge!**C** Hear my prayer, O Lord; give ear to my pleas for mercy! In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!**P** Enter not into judgment with your servant, for no one living is righteous before you.**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.**P** Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord! I have fled to you for refuge!**CATECHISM**

The First Article: Creation

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

LEARN BY HEART*Luke 11:28*

But he said, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

COLLECT

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Is 55:6–9; Phil 1:12–14, 19–30; Matt 20:1–**INVOCATION**

INTROIT (front page)

MEDITATION: *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism**LEARN BY HEART:** Bible Verse (front page)**DAILY READINGS:**

SU:	9/17	2 Chronicles 36:1–23	Colossians 4:1–18
M:	9/18	Nehemiah 1:1—2:10 (Haggai 1:1—2:23)	1 Timothy 1:1–20
T:	9/19	Nehemiah 2:11—20; 4:1–6	1 Timothy 2:1–15
W:	9/20	Nehemiah 4:7–23	1 Timothy 3:1–16
TH:	9/21	Nehemiah 5:1–16; 6:1–9, 15–16	1 Timothy 4:1–16
F:	9/22	Nehemiah 7:1–4; 8:1–18 (Ezra 1:1—10:19)	1 Timothy 5:1–16
SA:	9/23	Nehemiah 9:1–21	1 Timothy 5:17—6:2

HYMN OF THE MONTH: LSB #865 Lord, Helps Us Ever to Retain**APOSTLES’ CREED****IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

- For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world
- **Birthdays this upcoming week:** Brad, Christine, Clara, Terry
- **Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week:** Mary Ellen, Aleeah, Sandra

COLLECT (front page); **LORD’S PRAYER****BENEDICTION**

P Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

C Amen