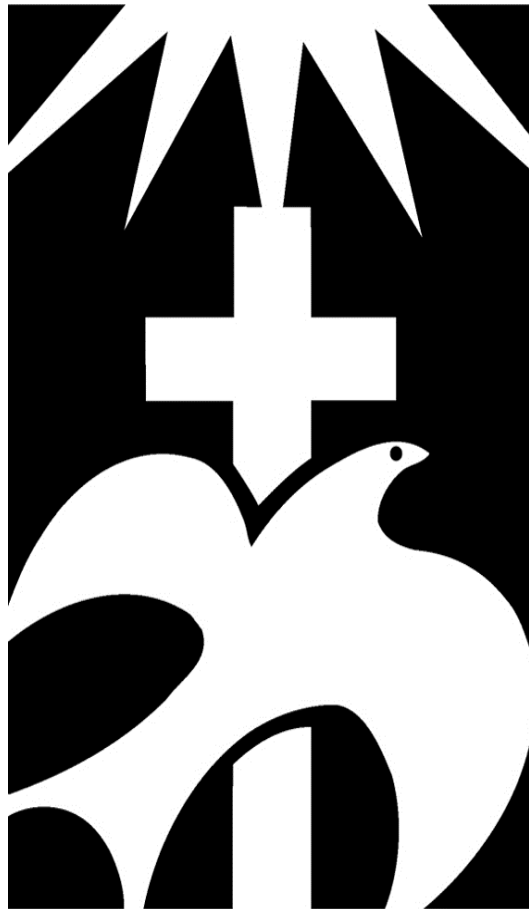


**Twenty-First Sunday  
after Pentecost:  
Proper 23**



**October 13, 2024  
9:00 & 11:00 am**

*Before the service, speak to the Lord;  
During the service, let the Lord speak to you;  
After the service, speak to one another.*

Prelude

Entrance L-54 "Nearer, my God, to Thee"



1. Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee!  
2. Though like the wan - der - er, The sun goes down,  
3. There let the way ap - pear, Steps un - to heav'n;



1. E'en though it be a cross That — rais - eth me;  
2. Dark - ness be o - ver me, My — rest a stone;  
3. All that Thou send - est me, In — mer - cy giv'n;



1. Still all my song would be  
2. Yet in my dreams I'd be  
3. An - gels to beck - on me Near - er, my God, to Thee,



Near - er my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.

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*The complete text begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.*

*Priest* Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All say this Hymn of Praise (9 & 11 a.m.)*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lessons**

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**



1. stand, \_\_\_\_\_ I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. near, \_\_\_\_\_ When my life is \_\_\_\_\_ al - most \_\_\_\_\_ gone; \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. near, \_\_\_\_\_ And the day is \_\_\_\_\_ past and \_\_\_\_\_ gone; \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, \_\_\_\_\_ Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ Lead me on. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. fall, \_\_\_\_\_ Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ Lead me on. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. hand, \_\_\_\_\_ Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ Lead me on. \_\_\_\_\_

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*Priest* The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**Mark 10:17-31**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the

disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**            The Rev. J. Thomas Downs

### **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

**Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Deacon / Celebrant:* As we prepare to bring our gifts to the altar, let us raise our voices in prayer and praise, thanking God for the opportunity to walk in love together.

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for the Church, God's greatest gift to us. For all who worship and serve this day. For the wisdom and teaching of our bishops, priests, deacons, and laypeople. [local intentions may be added] ... As Christ loved us,  
**We walk in love.**

*Leader:* I bid your prayers for our Nation and for all nations; for all refugees, for an end to hostilities, for a spirit of Goodwill. We pray for our citizens as we elect leaders, and for leaders who serve with love. [local intentions may be added] ... As Christ loved us,  
**We walk in love.**

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for our neighbors, for the mission of our church and the ways we change the world with our gifts. [local intentions and ministries may be added] ... As Christ loved us,  
**We walk in love.**

*Leader:* I invite your prayers for those who are sick, who are isolated, who are in despair. We pray for caregivers and healers who care for those we love. Please pray for those on our parish prayer list, remembering especially John, Reed, Audrey, Lotte, Patti, Debbie, Carol, Betty, Lee, Ginny, Matthew, Bob, Daryl, Jim, Mike, Andrew, Carol, Phil, Jim, Jane and Larry, and who we name now either silently or aloud... As Christ loved us,  
**We walk in love.**

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for the dead and the dying, and for those who mourn. We pray for [names, and] those we name now with our lips or in our hearts... As Christ loved us,  
**We walk in love.**

*Leader:* I invite your celebrations, remembrances, and the naming of our many blessings, innumerable and filled with Grace. ... May we be inspired to share our wealth, works, and wisdom with our neighbors and our Church as Christ loved us,  
**We walk in love.**

*Celebrant:* Hear the prayers of your people, O God, and inspire us with gratitude and abundance as we share our many gifts with You and the world You made. **Amen.**

*The Priest says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept for recollection of sins. Then, all say*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**



*The Priest says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The People may then greet one another with a sign of peace.*

## Offertory

**Doxology** (*Old Hundredth, Hymn 380 v. 3*) *Words: Thomas Ken. Public domain.*

\*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## Eucharistic Prayer B

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Priest* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say or sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People (Spoken at 9 & 11 a.m.)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [ \_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Priest and People*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed 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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Bread is broken and silence is kept.*

*Then may be said*

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## Invitation to Communion

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

*Optional Prayer for those who cannot receive*

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

*The people may be seated.*

## Music During Communion

*The People stand as they are able.*

*After Communion, all say*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Priest bestows the blessing*

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Closing L-181 "Amazing grace! How sweet the sound"



1. A - maz - ing grace!\_ how sweet the sound, That
2. 'Twas grace that taught\_ my heart to fear, And
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His



1. saved a wretch like me!\_\_\_\_\_ I once was lost, but
2. grace my fears re - lieved;\_\_\_\_\_ How pre - cious did that
3. word my hope se - cures;\_\_\_\_\_ He will my shield and



1. now am found, Was blind, but now\_ I see.\_\_\_\_\_
2. grace ap - pear The hour I first\_ be - lieved!\_\_\_\_\_
3. por - tion be As long as life\_ en - dures.\_\_\_\_\_

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*The Deacon (or if no Deacon, the Priest) dismisses the People.*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

## In Our Prayers

**LARCC:** All who do tasks for the church at First Congregational UCC

**For Healing & Convalescing:** John Precord, Reed Hamp, Audrey Himes, Lotte Rosenberg, Patti Rockwell, Debbie Sanborn, Carol Hart, Betty Bartley, Lee Harris, Ginny French, Matthew Van Zetten, Bob Hanna, Daryl Hebert, Jim Tanner, Mike Tanner, Andrew, Carol Putkamer, Phil, Jim Gilmet, Jane McClain, and Larry Adams.

**Birthdays:** sonya Titus (18)

**Military:** Ian Hamp, Ashley Alexander, Tyler Ferrier, Joshua Gapske, Isaac Graham, John Hartman

**Cycles of Prayer:** Diocesan: St. Dunstan's, Davison and Holy Spirit, Belmont; Anglican: the Episcopal Church in the Philippines

## The Flowers On The Altar

Given to the Glory of God  
and

In Memory  
of

Gordon L. Collins, Gordon B. Collins, and Phillip Collins

by

Angeline Collins & Family

## Announcement

### **TECW NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Our TECW is asking for your help. In seeking ways to meet the needs in our community, a TECW committee asked Dorothy Pintar, head of the School Success organization, if she knew of anyone needing immediate assistance. She identified a family, recently moved here, consisting of a mom, baby, and two elementary school children. The children are without beds and currently sleeping in chairs. Cathy Meske got three quotes for two beds from ReStore/Habitat for Humanity (mattress and springs but no platform), Big Lots, and Young's Appliance, and Young's offered the most complete response: two beds, mattresses with platforms, two sets of sheets, and two pillows for \$816. TECW voted to supply the \$816, along with a donation for mattress protectors, but is now asking parishioners to donate extra sets of twin sheets, twin blankets, pillow protectors, pillowcases, and comforters. Anyone who can help with this need is asked to bring the bedding to the parish hall.

This Week's Calendar		
Today	9 & 11 AM 11 AM 12:15 PM 4 PM	Holy Eucharist Children's Sunday School - Lower Level Choir Rehearsal Sunday Supper
Tuesday	1:30 PM 4:45 PM 7 PM	Prayer Group Alpena Groove - Lower Level AA
Wednesday	12:05 PM 1:05 PM 7 PM	Holy Eucharist The Good Book (Bible) Study AA
Friday	5:30 PM	AA
Saturday	12 PM	Maggie Lamb Memorial Service



## Future Worship Schedule

### Sunday, October 20

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar  
11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

### Sunday, October 27

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs  
11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs

### Sunday, November 3

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Nurya Love Parish,  
11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Nurya Love Parish  
Canon for the Northern Collaborative

### Sunday, November 10

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs  
11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs

### Wednesdays, October 16, 23, 30 and November 3, 10, 17, 24

12:05 pm - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Bruce Michaud  
1:00 pm - Bible Study/Rev. Bruce Michaud

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**Tuesday - Thursday - 1pm to 5pm, Friday - 1pm to 3pm**

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Trinity organized in 1864 and our Victorian Gothic building dates from 1883. As a "National Jubilee Center," we reach out to many in need, and as a venue for performing arts, we live out our identity as a "village church" in the English tradition.

In "Eucharistic hospitality," we invite all persons to the Lord's Table. Please join us there, and then, next door after the Service for refreshment and fellowship. We are delighted that you are here, and would be delighted to meet you.

### **The Vestry**

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Don Stockdale, Junior Warden

Susan Fitzpatrick, Treasurer

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Duane Himes      Jim Masters

Cathy Meske      Lisa Rhea

Bill Powell      Betty Westrope

