

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 3, 2021

The First Reading

Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

After the Reading, the Reader says The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Psalm

Psalm 8

- 1 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

The Second Reading

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

"What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?
You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

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People Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn

The Gospel Reading

Mark 10:2-16

Before proclaiming the Gospel, the Priest says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given
to the glory of God by
Fred & Roxanne Brink in celebration
of their children, Brian and Courtney's
Birthday*

*Robyn Murphy in honor of his mother,
Virginia Murphy, whose birthday is on
October 6, 1942*

Announcements

Birthdays this month

1st: Jodie Millican
 5th: Bryan White
 8th: Amy Brown
 8th: Fr. Bill Carroll
 8th: Tommy Read
 11th: Lexi Smith
 13th: Gayle Raif
 17th: Tito Nieves
 18th: Cyndie Woodbury
 20th: Gianna Glave
 24th: Ian McCarty
 26th: Joshua Martinez

Feast of St. Michael

TODAY Sunday, October 3rd, we will have a potluck lunch after the service to celebrate the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. Please bring your favorite side dish to share.

Blessing of the Animals

NEXT Sunday, October 10th, at 1:00 PM, all pets are welcomed to receive a blessing! Kids are welcome to bring a stuffed animal to bless. Please keep pets on a leash or in a crate.

Longview Community Ministries

They are the principal organization in Longview that helps people with all sorts of emergency services, including food. They have asked us to help by donating canned fruits and vegetables during this season when food bank donations are down, and the need for services has increased. We will have a basket in the Narthex for ongoing donations. Please donate if you are able.

Altar Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary, the flower dedication forms are in the entryway.

NEXT Sunday's Servers (10/10)

Cameras & Streaming: Danielle Martin

Danny's Team: Frank Supercinski

Eucharistic Ministers:

Greeter: Amy Brown

Lector: Harrison Brown

Ushers: David Brown

Vestry People: Amy Brown, Roxanne Brink

Worship Tech: Jessica Sanders

Prayer Requests

Healing For:

- McCarty Family
- Bo Farrow
- Ruby Hahne
- Nancy
- Frank Rauch
- Pepe Forina (in a coma with COVID)
- Harold Hoffmeister (heart attack)
- Roni & Tom

Other Prayer Requests:

- Terisa Kirschke (TRMC where I work pray for myself/co-workers for strength & protection against COVID. Our hospital is full)
- Joe McClellan (to adjust to Hawkins Creek Assisted Living Facility)

Prayers for the Deceased:

- Frank McCarty

To submit a prayer request, fill out the back of the information sheet in the pew and place it in the offering. Or, send an email with your request to: prayer@smaalongview.org

**** Emailed prayer requests are received by all who've signed up for the SMAA prayer chain. This community of prayer is committed to holding up our needs and thanksgivings to God whenever they are shared. TO JOIN IN THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY, JUST SEND A REQUEST TO SMAA@SMAALONGVIEW.ORG ASKING TO BE A PART OF THE PRAYER CHAIN. ****

Stewardship Update

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	ABOVE/BELOW
09/05/21	\$1,295	\$2,946	-\$1,652
09/12/21	\$1,762	\$2,946	-\$1,184
09/19/21	\$1,268	\$2,946	-\$1,678
09/26/21	\$2,377	\$2,946	-\$569
YTD TOTALS	\$90,900	\$114,912	-\$24,012

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Danny's Team: Mary Lynn Dawes

Eucharistic Ministers:

Greeter: Frank Supercinski

Lector: Frank Supercinski

Ushers: Jerry Ritchie

Vestry People: Amy Brown, Frank Supercinski

Worship Tech: Amy Brown

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