

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 06, 2026

The Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Psalm

Psalm 119:33-40

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.

35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

36 Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.

39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.

40 Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

The Second Reading

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Announcements

Birthdays this month

1st: Margot Lindsey
 2nd: Michael Buckner
 3rd: Tasha Root
 4th: Gloria Richards
 5th: Jane Hale
 11th: David Brown
 11th: Terisa Kirschke
 19th: Ethan Bohnsack
 19th: Robyn Murphy
 19th: Roxanne Brink
 23rd: Kyle Glave
 24th: Caroline Tucker
 26th: Lillian Tucker
 27th: Helen Daniel Glave
 27th: Ava Rook

This Week at SMAA

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

6:00 pm Dinner & fellowship

Sunday, September 13, 2026

10:00 am Morning Prayer

One Dollar for One Love Please drop a one-dollar bill in the “One Dollar for One Love” box located in the entryway. Your donations provide **ongoing support for One Love and its ministry**. Additionally, all loose-cash offerings received on the **second Sunday of each month** will be designated for **One Love**.

One Love Cooling Station SMAA will provide Colling Station service in our Fellowship Hall Wednesday-Friday from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM. One Love provides snacks and staffing. Anyone interested in helping should contact Roxanne Brink @ 480-208-2966 or Patti Maxwell @ 817-937-5637.

Newcomers' Baked Potato Bar

Join us for an evening of food, fellowship, and new friends on **Saturday, September 19th at 6 PM**. This dinner is especially for those who have recently begun attending St. Michael's.

The New Member Class will begin on **October 4th** after church.

Pumpkins Needed Help us fill our church with the beauty of fall. Beginning Sunday, September 27, we'll be decorating the church entryway and lining the sidewalk with large pumpkins to create a warm and welcoming autumn atmosphere for our church family and guests. Please consider bringing a large pumpkin to help us brighten our space for the season.

Lifted – Youth Program Lifted will meet immediately after the Sunday service on the following dates: **September 6, 20, 27 October 4 and 25**.

For a Birthday Blessing

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N*. as *he* begins another year. Grant that *he* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his* trust in your goodness all the days of *his* life; through Jesus. Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

For a Wedding Anniversary Blessing

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

Prayer Requests

Healing For:

- Bill and Inge Dunning
- Ryan & Kristie Pierce
- Katy Bryant
- Charlyne White
- Carolyn Deakins
- Catherine White
- Francie Bailey
- The family of Kathleen Bullock
- Susan Brown
- JoLee Ferguson
- Andrew McWhorter
- The Akinson & Brown Families
- Lorraine and Margie Litterski

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
08/02/26	\$3,200	\$3,611	-\$411
08/09/26	\$3,145	\$3,611	-\$466
08/16/26	\$2,136	\$3,611	-\$1,475
08/23/26	\$2,989	\$3,611	-\$622
08/30/26	\$1,187	\$3,611	-\$2,424
YTD TOTALS	\$95,792	\$126,385	-\$30,593

This Sunday's Servers

Acolytes: Wayne Workman

Cameras & Streaming: Devin McLaughlin

Eucharistic Ministers: David Brown

Greeter: Catherine White

Lector: Wayne Workman

Nursery Helper: Helen Daniel Glave

Ushers: Stan Williams, Louis Zak

Vestry People: Wayne Workman, Janice Bynum

Worship Tech: Valerie Buckner

NEXT Sunday's Servers (09/13)

Acolytes: Dana Parker

Cameras & Streaming: Bryan White

Eucharistic Ministers: Wayne Workman

Greeter: Patti Maxwell

Lector: Chip Doran

Nursery Helper: Stephen Smith

Ushers: Donna Richardson, David Brown

Vestry People: Becky Supercinski, Roxanne Brink

Worship Tech: Gianna Glave