

15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Proper 20C Psalm 119:137–140, 142; antiphon: v. 144

P Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.

C Righteous are you, O Lord, and right are your just decrees.

P You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness and in all faithfulness.

C My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words.

P Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

C Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true.

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.

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CATECHISM

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

LEARN BY HEART*Hebrews 4:12*

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

COLLECT

O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Amos 6:1-7; 1 Tim 3:1-13; Luke 16:19-31

INVOCATION

INTROIT (front page)

MEDITATION: *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism

LEARN BY HEART: Bible Verse (front page)

DAILY READINGS:

SU:	9/21	Nehemiah 5:1–16; 6:1–9, 15–16	1 Timothy 4:1–16
M:	9/22	Nehemiah 7:1–4; 8:1–18 (Ezra 1:1—10:19)	1 Timothy 5:1–16
T:	9/23	Nehemiah 9:1–21	1 Timothy 5:17—6:2
W:	9/24	Nehemiah 9:22–38Nehemiah 10:1—13:31)	1 Timothy 6:3–21
TH:	9/25	Malachi 1:1–14	Matthew 3:1–17
F:	9/26	Malachi 2:1—3:5	Matthew 4:1–11
SA:	9/27	Malachi 3:6—4:6	Matthew 4:12–25

HYMN OF THE MONTH: LSB #862 Oh, Blest the House

APOSTLES’ CREED**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

- for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods
- **Birthdays this upcoming week:** Terry, Kevin, Douglas
- **Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week:** Aleeah, Sandra, Joshua, Ava, Kristin

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

BENEDICTION

P Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

C Amen