



NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Week of July 26, 2026

Collect for the week: Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Epistle: Romans 8:28-39

Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 55:1-5; Romans 9:1-5 (6-13); Matthew 14:13-21

Hymn for the week:

"Your Kingdom, O God, Is My Glorious Treasure"

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Notes on the Sermon: _____

Trinity Reads the Bible in 2026: (Psalms in parentheses may be read in the evening.)

July 26	1 Samuel 10:1-27	Acts 22:17-29	Ps. 103 (117; 139)
July 27	1 Samuel 12:1-25	Acts 22:30–23:11	Ps. 5 (84; 29)
July 28	1 Samuel 13:1-18	Acts 23:12-35	Ps. 42 (102; 133)
July 29	1 Samuel 14:47-15:9	Acts 24:1-23	Ps. 89:1-18 (1; 3)
July 30	1 Samuel 15:10-35	Acts 24:24–25:12	Ps. 97 (16; 62)
July 31	1 Samuel 16:1-23	Acts 25:13-27	Ps. 51 (142; 65)
August 1	1 Samuel 17:1-19	Acts 26:1-23	Ps. 104 (118; 111)

NEXT Week's Readings

August 2	1 Samuel 17:20-47	Acts 26:24-27:8	Ps. 19 (81; 113)
August 3	1 Samuel 17:48-18:9	Acts 27:9-26	Ps. 136 (97; 112)
August 4	1 Samuel 18:10-30	Acts 27:27-44	Ps. 123 (30; 86)
August 5	1 Samuel 19:1-24	Acts 28:1-15	Ps. 15 (48; 4)
August 6	1 Samuel 20:1-23	Acts 28:16-31	Ps. 36 (80; 27)
August 7	1 Samuel 20:24-42	1 Corinthians 1:1-25	Ps. 130 (32; 139)
August 8	1 Samuel 24:1-22	1 Corinthians 1:26-2:16	Ps. 56 (100; 62)



for home devotions &
personal meditation

From the Old Testament

For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. *Deuteronomy 7:6*

Applying God's Word to our lives: What Moses in this verse said to the children of Israel applies even more so to the Church. All believers in Jesus Christ around the world are holy, chosen, and treasured; none of this is because of our merit or anything we have done or will yet do, but purely because of God's grace. And so we know who we are and whose we are and how we are to live. And knowing these things, with boldness we confess Jesus Christ as Lord wherever we go.

From the Epistle

[Nothing] in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8:39*

Applying God's Word to our lives: God loves us and offers us salvation in Christ Jesus His Son, crucified and raised and returning. Nothing—not death, life, angels, rulers, things present, things to come, powers, height, depth, or anything else in all creation—can separate us from that love.

From the Holy Gospel

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. *Matthew 13:44*

Applying God's Word to our lives: The Gospel proclaims to wretched sinners the wonderful truth that we are the treasure for which the Son of God sold all, laying down His life in death so that He might own us, His redeemed. You are Christ's joy, dear Christian!