TODAY'S LESSONS: THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 23

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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.**

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Psalm 66:1-11

- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; * sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! * because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- 3 All the earth bows down before you, * sings to you, sings out your Name."
- 4 Come now and see the works of God, * how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, * and there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations;* let no rebel rise up against him.

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; * make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, * and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; * you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; * you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; * but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

- If we have died with him, we will also live with him:
- if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful

for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of the Altar Guild.

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Sunday Worship Leaders

Today Cross Myrna Burkhalter Lector Nancy Lehnert LEM Isabelle Behm 2nd Chalice Volunteer Needed Vestry Lynn Becker Prayer Room Carmel Price Ushers Team 1 **Next Week** Hannah Wolf Cross Lector Pat Snyder LEM Monica McLeod 2nd Chalice Volunteer Needed Stephanie Mulkern Vestry Prayer Room Andy Angel Ushers Team 2 LEM B. Hall/M. Breil

The Calendar

Sunday, October 13

8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel9am Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

10am Holy Eucharist, Church

10:05am Children's Worship, Prayer Room11:15am Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall11:20am Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Monday, October 14

Tuesday, October 15

Wednesday, October 16

5:30pm AAUW, Lounge

Thursday, October 17

7pm Building Use Group, Library

Friday, October 18

Saturday, October 19

10am League of Women Voters,

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 20

8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel9am Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room10am Holy Eucharist, Church

10:05am Children's Worship, Prayer Room
11:15am Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
11:20am Adult Forum, Fellowship Hall
12:30pm Vestry Meeting, Lounge

Spiritual Offerings

Centering Prayer, Room 19 Tuesday 6:15pm

Yoga, Room 213 Tuesday 7:15pm

AA meets

Monday, 8pm, Lounge Wednesday, 8pm, Room 213 Thursday, 11:30am, Room 213 Thursday, 6:30pm, Resource Room Saturday, Noon, Room 213

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall Tuesday nights, 7pm

Bridge, Lounge Wednesday 1pm

Listening Group, Resource Room Resumes October 7 1st & 3rd Monday 7pm

Martial Arts, Fellowship Hall Sunday 2pm, Wednesday 7pm

Sonneman Voice & Piano, Choir Room Tuesday and Thursday 3pm-9pm Saturday 10am-4pm

Stretching, Fellowship Hall 2nd & 4th Saturday 10:30am



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THE COMMUNICATOR: PLEASE TAKE THIS HOME WITH YOU

For the churches of Diocese of the Michigan (St. John's [Detroit] and St. Paul's [Brighton]); for the churches of our companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic; for Bishop Gibbs as he prepares to retire in December; for Bonnie A. Perry, Bishop-elect of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan.

The Sick and Suffering: For Lori (Phillips), Dennis (Kirchoff), Kaitlyn, Joan (McNally), Debra (Kovak), Gene (Gullett), Stan (Aldridge), Danny (Johnson), Peggy (Peters), Carol (Silven), Jean (Gilbert) and the Gilbert Family, Nancy (Allwardt) and the Allwardt Family, Susan (Gianfriddo), Marcus, Mary (Hawthorne), Richard (Sanchez), Clarence (Branham), Betty (Kirton), Samuel (Kirton), Chuck (Jezewski), Lenny (Provencher), Mark & Dorothy (Jones).

Armed Forces: For all those serving in harm's way.

Concerns in the World: For those who are suffering from natural disasters and extreme weather conditions.

Departed:

To place someone on the prayer list or request a pastoral visit please contact the church office.

Special Events and Announcements: Women's Night Out

Women's Night Out on October 25th to watch Wayne State University's women's volleyball team play Ferris State. The game starts at 7 p.m. Meet at the church parking lot at 6:15 p.m. to car pool. RSVP to Diana Brehob or the church office (313) 565-8450 or office@christchurchdearborn.org so Diana will know who to expect. No advance tickets need to be purchased, tickets are \$7. (Men are invited, too.)

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are given in thanksgiving for or in memory of loved ones. To honor your loved one on a special date, notify the church office, a donation of \$20-35 is recommended, please give as you are able.

Sharing Our Story.....Strengthening Our Community

The purpose of this project is to strengthen ties with our senior parishioners; to listen to their stories; enjoy their wisdom and wealth of experiences.

The way that you can be involved is to volunteer as a STORY-GATHERER. One member of the Renaissance team will pair with a volunteer Gatherer; they interview a senior parishioner, then write a summary of the stories they hear. The Team will gather the stories for a forum presentation on December 15. Some stories will also be shared in future Couriers.

Story-Gatherers will attend a pre-interview meeting, early evening on Wednesday October 23, to go over guidelines and receive question prompts. Interviews can then be arranged at a mutually convenient time, late October/November. If you are interested please let Terri or Jeanne Martens know, or call the Church Office.



What do you have that you have not received? (1Corinthians 4:7)

In many churches, clergy exhort their parishioners to "give until it hurts." All we have found is that Episcopalians have a "very low pain threshold." We hope we will give until it feels good. The money we give each week enables Christ Church to be a giving, godly force in our community and our world..

-Weekly Thought from the Stewardship Commission