TODAY'S LESSONS: THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 19

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O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse-- a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them. "For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Psalm 14

- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." * All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.
- 2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, * to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; * there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers * who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, * because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, * but the Lord is their refuge.
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! * when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Luke 15:1-10

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninetynine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Sunday Worship Leaders

Today Cross	Hannah Wolf
Lector	Pat Snyder
LEM	Monica McLeod
2nd Chalice	Barb Hall
Vestry	Jean Angel
Prayer Room	Chris Burkhalter
Ushers	Team 1
Next Week	
Cross	Daniel Oliver
Lector	Carolyn Blackmore
LEM	Barbara Hall
2nd Chalice	Diana Brehob
Vestry	Stephanie Mulkern
Prayer Room	Erin Biggs
Ushers	Team 2
LEV	B. Hall/Sally Dalton

The Calendar

Sunday, September 15

8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel 10am Holy Eucharist, Church

10:05am Children's Worship, Prayer Room

11:30am Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 16

Tuesday, September 17

11am Holy Eucharist, Chapel

2pn DAIN, Lounge

Wednesday, September 18

3:30pm AAUW Tea, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, September 19

6pm League of Women Voters, Rm213

Friday, September 20

11am John Danes Memorial Service

Saturday, September 21

9am Safe Church, Lounge

Sunday, September 22

8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel 10am Holy Eucharist, Church

10:05am Children's Worship, Prayer Room

11:30am Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall 11:30am Adult Forum, Fellowship Hall

Spiritual Offerings

Bible Study, Lounge Tuesday 11:45am

Centering Prayer, Room 19 Tuesday 6:15pm

Yoga, Room 213—Resumes Sept. 17 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. Clare of Assisi [Ann Arbor]); for the churches of our companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic (St. Paul & St. Luke [San Isidro] and St. Titus' [Jimani]); 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, George (Ebling III), Jan (Timpko), Karen, George (Chambers), Roxie, Jennifer (Casteel), Mary (Durkas), Mike (Johnson), Joan (McNally), Debra (Kovak), Gene (Gullett) and Stan (Aldridge).

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: John Danes, Carolyn R. Dunlap and Lena Oglesby

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

Special Events and Announcements: Welcome Our New Music Director

We are pleased to welcome Allison Barone as our Music Director. Allison is a Junior at UofM Ann Arbor, majoring in Organ Performance and Sacred Music as well as Sociology. She is a gifted musician and experienced with parish music leadership. Please give Allison a warm welcome as she joins us today.

Thank You!

We thank Carolyn Blackmore for sharing her gifts and talent for music by leading the choir in the recent past. Carolyn will continue to work with Terri and Allison as we make the transition to our new music director, and then as she is able and there is need as we go forward. Please thank Carolyn for sharing her time and talent, we have been blessed by her gifts.

Coffee Hour Sign Up

Coffee hour resumes today. Our goal is to offer hospitality, coffee and simple refreshments. Please sign up for a Sunday. A more elaborate Coffee Hour for a birthday or anniversary is welcome.

Faith Night with the Detroit Red Wings

The Detroit Red Wings are launching a Faith Night. Doug Phillips of Christ Church, attended their initial exploratory event to learn more about this idea. A Faith Night with the Red Wings is being offered on Oct. 27, game begins at 5pm with earlier conversations about faith beginning at 3pm. Tickets range in price from \$69 for main floor to \$39 for limited viewing upper level. If you are interested in going as a parish please speak to Doug, Pastor Terri, or email the office. We will need to order tickets by Oct. 2.

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The Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Carolyn R Dunlap by her children Toc, Stu, Katharine and Marie and Lena Oglesby by her niece Janis Motsinger.

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

According to the Psalmist, our offering, the money we joyfully give this morning, represent to God our life and labor. Our oblations, the bread and wine, symbolize all of god's gifts to us. Together, they represent our labor, our time and ability (the work for which we are paid). However, God doesn't want just our gifts or money, God wants the givers—us. I thank God you chose to be here this morning to offer your gifts and yourselves joyfully to God. We thank you for coming to share joyfully with us this Holy Eucharist—Great Thanksgiving!

-Weekly Thought from the Stewardship Commission

Our blessing of the animals, in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis, will take place on Sunday, Oct. 6 at 1:00pm. The blessing will be held outside on the exterior plaza, weather permitting, or in the Chapel otherwise. All pets are welcome.

