

TODAY'S LESSONS: THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 20

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Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Psalms 79:1-9

- 1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple; * they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.
- 2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, * and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
- 3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, * and there was no one to bury them.
- 4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, * an object of scorn and derision to those around us.
- 5 How long will you be angry, O Lord? * will your fury blaze like fire for ever?

- 6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you * and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.
- 7 For they have devoured Jacob * and made his dwelling a ruin.
- 8 Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; * for we have been brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; * deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do

you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Sunday Worship Leaders

Today

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

Next Week

Cross	Izabella Stanis
Lector	Nancy Lehnert
LEM	Matt Sallman
2nd Chalice	Barbara Hall
Vestry	Chris Ventura
Prayer Room	Doug Phillips
Ushers	Team 3

The Calendar

Sunday, September 22

- 8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel
- 9am Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 10am Holy Eucharist, Church
- 10:05am Children's Worship, Prayer Room
- 11:15am Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
- 11:15am Adult Forum, Fellowship Hall
- 11:45am Stewardship Meeting, Library

Monday, September 23

- 7pm Finance Meeting, Lounge

Tuesday, September 24

- 11am Holy Eucharist, Chapel
- 12:30pm Baptized for Life, Lounge
- 6:30pm Stewardship, Lounge

Wednesday, September 25

- 5pm League of Women Voters, Lounge

Thursday, September 26

Friday, September 27

Saturday, September 28

- 11am Dorothy Hartmann
Memorial Service

Sunday, September 229

- 8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel
- 9am Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 10am Holy Eucharist, Church
- 10:05am Children's Worship, Prayer Room
- 11:15am Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
- 11:20am Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 12:30pm Vestry Meeting, Lounge

Spiritual Offerings

Bible Study, Lounge
Tuesday 11:45am

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 [Plymouth] and St. Michael & All Angels [Cambridge Junction/Onsted]); for the churches of our companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic (St. Mary the Virgin [Montillano]); 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), Stan (Aldridge), Danny (Johnson), Peggy (Peters), Carol (Silven), Jean (Gilbert) and the Gilbert Family, Nancy (Allwardt) and the Allwardt Family.

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, Dorothy Hartmann and Agnes Booher.

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

Special Events and Announcements:

Adult Forum Today

Today during coffee hour the Baptized for Life team will offer a brief update on their work including a summary of the survey we took in the summer of 2018. Also being discussed will be this year's Stewardship program - Stewardship 365 and Holy Currency; and an upcoming DAIN event (Dearborn Area Interfaith Network). Please be sure to come to this brief, but informative forum.

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.

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.



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



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

Today we rejoice in God's creation. To be a Christian is to be an ecologist, for we acknowledge that God has given us care and stewardship over God's creation and we are accountable. We pray each one of us will be faithful stewards.

-Weekly Thought from the
Stewardship Commission