

NEWS AND EVENTS

MON OCT 19 Quilting – 9:30 am to noon
TUE OCT 20 Staff Meeting – 9:30 am
Outreach Meeting – 1:30 pm
WED OCT 21 Devotions via zoom – 10 am
Hymn Pickin' Mtg – 11:30 am
THU OCT 22 Communion Service and taping – 7 pm
SUN OCT 25 Reformation Sunday
Quite Communion – 8 am
Worship with music and Communion – 10 am

IMPORTANCE OF SELF ASSESSMENT Before you come to worship, it is important to do a self assessment to ensure the health of both yourself and those you will encounter. If you show any signs or symptoms not just related to COVID-19, but also those that may be related to either the flu or a cold, **PLEASE** stay home. If your symptoms seem to be COVID related contact either your primary health care provider, complete the on-line COVID assessment tool, or go to an assessment centre to be tested.

The following is the link for the on-line assessment tool:

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment/>

If you suspect, have been diagnosed with, or have been in contact with anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, **PLEASE** reach out to Pastor Lori to let her know. Not only do we want to be able to support you at a crucial time for you and your family, we need to be able to do any contact tracing that may be necessary.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT TRAINING (SMP) All program/worship volunteers and staff are required to complete the SMP Training every 3 years. If you are new to a position, or if your previous training is has expired (you will be notified), please mark your calendar for **Wednesday October 29th at 7 PM**. This meeting will be held via Zoom. For those who do not have the technology for zoom, Pastor Lori will be arranging an alternative to complete the training. Should you have any questions, please contact our SMP Training Coordinator, Sonja Patterson at 705-329-8870



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SEASON OF HARVEST

20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



October 18, 2020

May you find peace and comfort in this place.

*Let the hearts of those
who seek the Lord rejoice*

Psalms 105:3.

*Journeying together to grow in faith
and serve God's world.*

Incumbent:
Honourary Assistant:
Youth & Child Ministry Coordinator:
Music Director:

Pastor Lori Pilatzke
Rev. Diane Fryer
Nancy Hannah
Brent Mayhew

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In today's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.

GATHERING

Presider: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, the strength of our ancestors, the host of this meal, the builder of the city that is to come.

People: Amen.

Presider: In the beginning, the Spirit over the deep; new life daily unfolding at God's call. Darkness and light; Good. Skies, lands, and seas: Good. The earth and all that fills it – plants and rocks, the finned, the feathered, the furry: Good. At the last, humankind in God's image: Very good. Yet we have failed to draw from that goodness in care for God's creation.

People: Forgive us, God, for the ways we have exploited earth and its creatures.

Presider: We have misunderstood our calling to be protectors of God's creation.

People: Forgive us, God, for the ways we have exploited earth and its creatures.

Presider: We long for new relationships with God's creation that has been entrusted to us.

People: Help us, God, to make a new community with all that lives alongside us.

Presider: May the merciful God who calls us to tend earth and all its creatures, deepen our knowledge of creation's interweaving, so that our lives are shaped in wholeness and peace with all living things; in Jesus' name.

People: Amen.

Hymn 381 (blue): Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS

PSALM 96: 1-9 (10-13)

Ascribe to the Lord honour and power. (Ps. 96:7).

1 THESSALONIANS 1: 1-10

Most likely this letter is the first written by Paul. Paul gives pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

MATTHEW 22: 15-22

After Jesus begins teaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.

READINGS

Sunday Oct 18/20

Isaiah 45: 1-7
Psalm 96: 1-9 [10-13]
1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10
Matthew 22: 15-22

Sunday Oct 25/20

Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18
Psalm 1
1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8
Matthew 22: 34-46

DONATE

Donations to St. David can be made on line at:
www.tinyurl.com/yy8gzg86

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What is this Bible Book Club all about?

A couple of weeks ago I introduced the Living Our Faith - Bible Book Club. This is an invitation from ELCIC National Bishop Susan Johnson to engage in a year of reading the bible. So far, there have been eight folks who have 'officially' let me know they are excited to participate. Maybe you have chosen to participate on your own or with your bubble of people. That is terrific!

And knowing we join with our siblings in Christ from coast to coast to coast, reading and discussing the 'book' of the month, well, there's something holy about that.

October's book is Deuteronomy.

<https://elcic.ca/livingourfaith/biblebookclub.cfm>

The book of Deuteronomy takes the form of a series of speeches given by Moses to the people of Israel. He speaks just before the conquest of the promised land of Canaan. Faithful scribes and priests wrote the core of this book around 700-640 B.C.E. (Before Christian Era) At that time the power of Assyria was causing a crisis of Faith in Judah. The authors of Deuteronomy wanted the people to stay faithful to God. A shorter form of this book was found during repairs on the temple in the time of King Josiah (640-609 B.C.E.) Josiah then put the laws of Deuteronomy into effect (see Kgs 22-23)

The book of Deuteronomy is a timeless theological book, meaning it tells us about God and God's relationship with us and the world. We overhear Moses making God's law known to God's people before the conquest of the promised land. He wants to convince them to obey that law after they have entered the land.

Above is a sampling of the background information to help understand these ancient writings! So if you've never set a goal to read the bible ... why not do it now? If ever there was a time for us to sink our souls into God's Word, it's now!

On Tues October 27 @ 1pm - I'm offering an in person Bible Book Club meeting here at the church ... there are only 8 available spaces. If you would like to attend in person, or via Zoom - call the church office at 705.325.1421

For folks unavailable during the day ... I am offering an evening Zoom on Tues October 27 @ 7pm ... email me for the zoom link

Love y'all ... Pastor Lori+

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

STORY

Reading 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

Acclamation Hymn 142 (purple) Thy Word (Ch, v1, Ch)

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According Matthew

People: **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Matthew 22: 15-22

Presider: The Gospel of Christ

People: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Acclamation Hymn 142 (purple) Thy Word (Ch, v2, Ch)

RESPONDING

Homily: Pastor Lori

Hymn of the Day 808 (red) Lord Jesus You Shall be My Song

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: We are called to be the Church....to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

People: **We are not alone. We live in God's world. We believe in God; who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Loving God,
People: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

Hymn 435 (blue): Take My Life and Let it Be

Presider: Prayer over the Gifts

BLESS AND BREAK

Presider: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Presider: Lift up your hearts

People: **We lift them to the Lord**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

Presider: We give you thanks that while the earth.....and lift our voice to join the unending hymn as we say:
People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: O God most mighty..... Remembering his death, we pray Amen

People: **Amen**

Presider: Celebrating his resurrection, we say Amen

People: **Amen**

Presider: Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen

People: **Amen**

Presider: O God, you are Breath; send your Spirit on this meal.....
Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Saviour, life in you, now and forever

People: **Amen.**

Presider: Gathered into one by the gift of the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

People: **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

SHARING

Presider: Come to the banquet table

People: **where Christ gives himself as food and drink.**

Presider: This is the table at which God is host and all are welcome guests. The gifts of God for the whole people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God**

COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 56 (blue) I Am the Bread, The Bread of Life

Leader: Prayer after Communion

People: **Amen. Glory to God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

NEWS AND EVENTS

SENDING

Hymn 826 (red) Thine the Amen

Presider: God is our refuge and strength.

People: **Amen**

Presider: Christ is light for our lives.

People: **Amen.**

Presider: The God of all grace † bless us now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Presider: Go in peace. Walk humbly with God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**