

ANNOUNCEMENTS
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

IN OUR PRAYERS: Ed Clifford; Ashlyn; Virginia Doenges; Aiden Snyder (heart cath)

CONFIRMATION will begin Sunday, September 20, at 11:30am. This is not restricted to 7th and 8th grade. Parents of younger students who believe their son/daughter is ready to begin instruction are encouraged to send them! **Parents—please plan to attend the first meeting with your student(s)!**

SIGN UP FOR PASTOR’S RETIREMENT PARTY! There are TWO sign-ups: one for a headcount for the meat, and others to sign up to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. You can also find drop boxes for photos and cards on the same table.

CHURCH COUNCIL & ELDER ELECTIONS will be coming soon. There will be several positions coming available. Interested in serving? Want to know what your duties would be? Contact Pr. Mullet, Renel Alarie, or Mike Spencer for more information.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: Psalms of Comfort and Hope

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS: Jesus in the Old Testament

CALENDAR

Sun. Sept. 6	8:00 & 10:00am Holy Communion 9:00am Bible Study (Psalms of Comfort)
Wed. Sept. 9	7:30pm Worship
Thu. Sept. 10	7:30pm Bible Study (Jesus in the OT)
Sun. Sept. 13	8:00 & 10:00am Worship 9:00am Bible Study (Psalms of Comfort) 9:00am Sunday School 11:30am Church Picnic / Retirement Party
Sun. Sept. 20	11:30am Confirmation (parents attend!)
Sun. Oct. 11	9:00am Voters’ Meeting

INDIVIDUAL / FAMILY DEVOTIONS

These suggestions can help you and your family stay connected to the church year and focus on what we hear, sing, and pray together on Sunday. Each week looks forward to the next Sunday. Pick three days this week to do a short devotion. Each day you might do this:

1. Read one reading and the “Thinking About.” How do the readings fit together? What themes do you see?
2. Sing or read the hymn. Ask Pr. Mullet to borrow a hymnal. You should be able to find it on YouTube if it’s unfamiliar!
3. Pray the Collect of the Day and the Lord’s Prayer.

THIS COMING SUNDAY IS: September 13 / Trinity 14

OT: Proverbs 4:10-23

GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

EPISTLE: Galatians 5:16-24

HYMN: LSB 849

COLLECT OF THE DAY: O Lord, keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

THINKING ABOUT THE READINGS

The ten lepers cried out from a distance, “*Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!*” (Luke 17:11–19). Their condition cut them off from God and others. So also do the works of the flesh cut us off from God and others. “*Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God*” (Gal. 5:16–24). Thus we cry out with the lepers, “*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy,*” eagerly seeking His good gifts. Jesus said to the lepers, “*Go and show yourselves to the priests.*” And as they went, they were cleansed. So too, we walk by faith and not by sight, being confident of Jesus’ help before we see any evidence of it, trusting that Jesus’ cleansing words of forgiveness will restore us to wholeness in the resurrection. Let us be as the one leper who returned to the true High Priest to give Him thanks and glory. For Jesus bore our infirmities in His sacrifice at Calvary. His words are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh (Prov. 4:10–23).