

ANNOUNCEMENTS
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

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

CONFIRMATION will begin next 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 bring them! **Parents—please plan to attend the first meeting with your student(s)!**

CELEBRATE PASTOR BURGLAND’S RETIREMENT WITH US TODAY! An afternoon of food and fellowship will follow the late service.

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. 13	8:00 & 10:00am Worship 9:00am Bible Study (Psalms of Comfort) 9:00am Sunday School 11:30am Church Picnic / Retirement Party
Wed. Sept. 16	7:30pm Holy Communion
Thu. Sept. 17	7:30pm Bible Study (Jesus in the OT)
Sun. Sept. 20	8:00 & 10:00am Holy Communion 9:00am Bible Study (Psalms of Comfort) 9:00am Sunday School 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 20 / Trinity 15

OT: 1 Kings 17:8-16

GOSPEL: Matthew 6:24-34

EPISTLE: Galatians 5:25—6:10

HYMN: LSB 760

COLLECT OF THE DAY: O Lord, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and because she cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and goodness; 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

“You cannot serve God and money” (Matt. 6:24–34), for they require two contrary forms of service. Worry is the worship given to the false god of mammon, an unbelieving anxiousness and focus on the things of this world. Faith is the worship of the true God, a confident trust that He is a loving Father who will care for all of our needs in both body and soul. The widow of Zarephath served God— that is, she believed the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah that the bin of flour would not be used up nor would the jar of oil run dry (1 Kings 17:8–16). He who feeds the birds and clothes the flowers will certainly provide for our daily needs. For He has already provided for our eternal needs, clothing us with Christ’s righteousness in Baptism and feeding us His body and blood for our forgiveness. With such confidence we are liberated from worry and freed to do good with our material resources, especially to those who are of the household of faith (Gal. 5:25–6:10).