

**Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**November 17, 2019**

**Preparation for Worship – We bow before You, O Lord!**

Prelude  
Announcements  
Invocation.....Inside cover of hymnal  
Confession of Sins/Absolution.....Inside cover of hymnal

**Adoration in Worship – We Praise You, O Lord!**

Opening Hymn....."All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" .....#97  
Liturgical Reading....."How Majestic Is Your Name" .....#28  
Hymn Response "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" #94  
Prayer of the Day .....Bulletin  
Passing of the Peace

**Instruction in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!**

First and Second Scripture Readings  
Special Music Trinity/Romsdal Choir.... "Bless This House"  
The Gospel. ....John 9:13-34  
The Chorus: "Thank-You Lord"  
Children's Sermon  
Sermon: "Miracle with a Twist" John 9:13-34 Pastor Chris

**Dedication in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!**

Offering Hymn....."Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing".....#2  
Response....."We Give Thee But Thine Own".....#620  
Apostle's Creed .....Inside cover of hymnal  
Words of Institution/Holy Communion .....at Lands  
Prayers  
The Lord's Prayer  
Closing Hymn,,,..."Crown Him with Many Crowns".....#234  
Benediction

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**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: Nov 17<sup>th</sup> thru Nov 24<sup>th</sup>**

Today: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lands  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Romsdal  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School at Lands  
10:30 a.m. Worship at Romsdal

Wed: 1:30 p.m. Trinity Women meet at Church  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation at Lands  
7:00 p.m. Parish Choir meets at Romsdal

Thurs: 2:00 p.m. Mary Circle at Lands

Sat: **MESSENGER DEADLINE** for December

Sun: Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Worship Schedule  
9:00 a.m. Worship at Lands  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Trinity  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School at Lands  
10:30 a.m. Worship at Trinity

Moe Parish Thanksgiving Worship will be held at Romsdal on November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Confirmation class will be held at Romsdal at 6 p.m. that evening. The Parish Choir will practice this Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Romsdal to prepare for the Thanksgiving service.

An ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Service will be held on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Redeemer Free Lutheran Church in Canton.

Moe Parish Stable Communion will be held on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at Don & Laurie Cole's with a Chili supper following at Jim & Mary Bradshaw's.

**Prayer of the Day**

Dear Lord, Please give us insight into Your Holy Word. Open our eyes to see more clearly the promises and hope Your grace gives to us.  
In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Today's Readings**

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**First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:1-9**

**6** These are the commands, decrees and laws the Lord your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, **2** so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the Lord your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life. **3** Hear, Israel, and be careful to obey so that it may go well with you and that you may increase greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, promised you. **4** Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. **5** Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. **6** These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. **7** Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. **8** Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. **9** Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

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Next Sunday's Texts: Malachi 3:13-18  
Colossians 1:13-20  
Luke 23:27-43

**Second Reading: Hebrews 2:5-18**

**5** It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. **6** But there is a place where someone has testified:

“What is mankind that you are mindful of them,  
a son of man that you care for him?”

**7** You made them a little lower than the angels;  
you crowned them with glory and honor

**8** and put everything under their feet.”

In putting everything under them, God left nothing that is not subject to them. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to them. **9** But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. **10** In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. **11** Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. **12** He says,

“I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters;  
In the assembly I will sing your praises.”

**13** And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

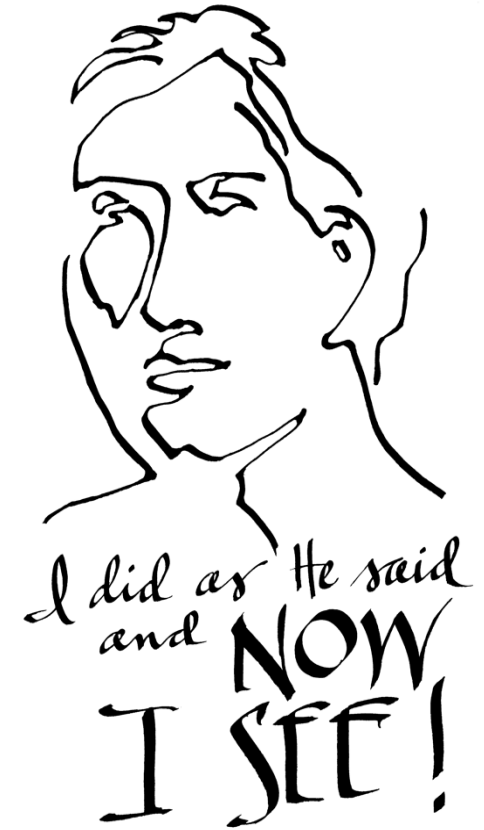
And again he says,

“Here am I, and the children God has given me.”

**14** Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil—**15** and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. **16** For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants. **17** For this reason he had to be made like them, fully human in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. **18** Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

**Gospel Lesson: John 9:13-34**

**13** They brought to the Pharisees the man who had been blind. **14** Now the day on which Jesus had made the mud and opened the man’s eyes was a Sabbath. **15** Therefore the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. “He put mud on my eyes,” the man replied, “and I washed, and now I see.” **16** Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.” But others asked, “How can a sinner perform such signs?” So they were divided. **17** Then they turned again to the blind man, “What have you to say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” The man replied, “He is a prophet.” **18** They still did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they sent for the man’s parents. **19** “Is this your son?” they asked. “Is this the one you say was born blind? How is it that now he can see?” **20** “We know he is our son,” the parents answered, “and we know he was born blind. **21** But how he can see now, or who opened his eyes, we don’t know. Ask him. He is of age; he will speak for himself.” **22** His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders, who already had decided that anyone who acknowledged that Jesus was the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. **23** That was why his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.” **24** A second time they summoned the man who had been blind. “Give glory to God by telling the truth,” they said. “We know this man is a sinner.” **25** He replied, “Whether he is a sinner or not, I don’t know. One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!” **26** Then they asked him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” **27** He answered, “I have told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples too?” **28** Then they hurled insults at him and said, “You are this fellow’s disciple! We are disciples of Moses! **29** We know that God spoke to Moses, but as for this fellow, we don’t even know where he comes from.” **30** The man answered, “Now that is remarkable! You don’t know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. **31** We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly person who does his will. **32** Nobody has ever heard of opening the eyes of a man born blind. **33** If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” **34** To this they replied, “You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!” And they threw him out.



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