

**Sixteenth Sunday of Pentecost
September 29, 2019**

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

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Dedication in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: Sept 29th thru Oct 6th

Today: 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
3:30 p.m. Bethesda Chapel Worship

Wed: 6:00 p.m. Confirmation at Lands
8:00 p.m. Parish Council at Trinity

Thurs: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study at Laura's Lattes

Sun: Oct 6th Holy Communion
9:00 a.m. Worship at Romsdal
9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Lands
10:15 a.m. Sunday School at Romsdal
10:30 a.m. Worship at Lands
Lands Harvest Festival, Bake Sale & Auction

A Bible Study on Revelations will begin this Thursday at 10 a.m. at Laura's Lattes in Canton. Please call Denise Koopsma at 605.351.4592 to reserve a study book.

Next Sunday, our Worship services times will be changed: Romsdal will have 9 a.m. Worship, and Lands will have Worship at 10:30 a.m. The Lands Harvest Dinner of Roast Beef & all the trimmings, a bake sale, and also a basket auction will immediately follow the worship next Sunday.

Hudson Lutheran Fall Dinner & Bazaar is today from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., serving Swedish Meatballs, Lefse, salads & desserts. There are also homemade items and baked goods for sale.

Springdale Lutheran's Soup & Pie Supper is today, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. A free will offering for the supper will be collected.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS:

10/14 - **Trinity Ladies** Fall Supper & Bazaar
10/27 - **Romsdal** Food Auction (10:30 Worship at Romsdal)

Prayer of the Day

Dear Lord, Too often we seek the praise of those people around us, and worry about their approval. Help us to lift our eyes to You, the One who knows us the best and loves us the most.
In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Today's Readings

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First Reading: Ecclesiastes 2:13-26

- 13** I saw that wisdom is better than folly,
just as light is better than darkness.
- 14** The wise have eyes in their heads,
while the fool walks in the darkness;
but I came to realize
that the same fate overtakes them both.
- 15** Then I said to myself,
"The fate of the fool will overtake me also.
What then do I gain by being wise?"
I said to myself,
"This too is meaningless."
- 16** For the wise, like the fool, will not be long
remembered;
the days have already come when both have
been forgotten.
Like the fool, the wise too must die!
- 17** So I hated life, because the work that is done under the sun was grievous to me. All of it is meaningless, a chasing after the wind. **18** I hated all the things I had toiled for under the sun, because I must leave them to the one who comes after me. **19** And who knows whether that person will be wise or foolish? Yet they will have control over all the fruit of my toil into which I have poured my effort and skill under the sun. This too is meaningless. **20** So my heart began to despair over all my toilsome labor under the sun. **21** For a person may labor with wisdom, knowledge and skill, and then they must leave all they own to another

who has not toiled for it. This too is meaningless and a great misfortune.

22 What do people get for all the toil and anxious striving with which they labor under the sun? **23** All their days their work is grief and pain; even at night their minds do not rest. This too is meaningless. **24** A person can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in their own toil. This too, I see, is from the hand of God, **25** for without him, who can eat or find enjoyment? **26** To the person who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

3 For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—

2 Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, **3** that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. **4** In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, **5** which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. **6** This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. **7** I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. **8** Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ, **9** and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. **10** His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made

known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, **11** according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. **12** In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Gospel Lesson: John 7:1-10

7 After this, Jesus went around in Galilee. He did not want to go about in Judea because the Jewish leaders there were looking for a way to kill him. **2** But when the Jewish Festival of Tabernacles was near, **3** Jesus' brothers said to him, "Leave Galilee and go to Judea, so that your disciples there may see the works you do. **4** No one who wants to become a public figure acts in secret. Since you are doing these things, show yourself to the world." **5** For even his own brothers did not believe in him.

6 Therefore Jesus told them, "My time is not yet here; for you any time will do. **7** The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify that its works are evil. **8** You go to the festival. I am not going up to this festival, because my time has not yet fully come." **9** After he had said this, he stayed in Galilee.

10 However, after his brothers had left for the festival, he went also, not publicly, but in secret.

Next week's texts: Isaiah 55:1-7
1 Peter 2:4-12
Matthew 22:1-14

For the PEACE
of the world
for the WELL-BEING
of the Church of God
and for the UNITY
of all.
LET US PRAY TO THE LORD

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