



Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
November 13, 2022

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Welcome and Announcements

Annual Congregational Meeting

Prelude: “Blest Be the Tie that Binds”

Wayne Wold

Please stand.

The Ten Commandments

The Lord is God, our God, and has brought us out of bondage to sin and death, commanding us to observe our conduct before him and our neighbor.

¹You shall have no other gods before me.

**²You shall not take the name
of the Lord your God in vain;
for the Lord will not hold guiltless
those who take his name in vain.**

**³Remember the Sabbath day
to keep it holy.**

**⁴Honor your father
and your mother,
that your days may be long
in the land which the Lord
your God is giving you.**

⁵You shall not kill.

⁶You shall not commit adultery.

⁷You shall not steal.

**⁸You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbor.**

**⁹You shall not covet
your neighbor's house.**

**¹⁰You shall not covet your neighbor's wife,
his workers, his livestock,
or anything that is your neighbor's.**

Confession and Absolution

Greeting and Kyrie Eleison

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

And also with you.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



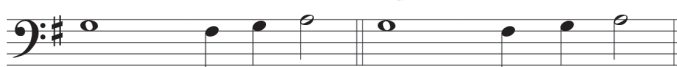
Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Leader:

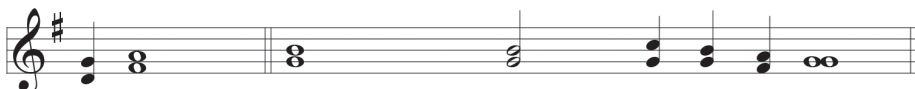


Glory be to God on high!

Congregation:



And on earth peace, good will toward all. We praise you, we bless you,



we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory,



O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God the Father Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,
 Son of the Father. You take away the sin of the world, have mercy
 on us. You take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.
 For you are holy; you on - ly are the Lord; You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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Leader: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And with your spirit

Lord God, rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit, that while keeping the end of all things in mind, we may be stirred up to holiness in this life and come to be with you forever in that life to come. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please be seated.

A - men.

First Lesson: Malachi 4:1–6

“For behold, the day is coming, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and every evildoer will be chaff; and the day that is coming will set them ablaze,” says the LORD of hosts, “so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.” “But for you who fear My name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings; and you will go forth and skip about like calves from the stall. You will tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day which I am preparing,” says the LORD of hosts. “Remember the law of Moses My servant, even the statutes and ordinances which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel.

“Behold, I am going to send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD. He will restore the hearts of the fathers to their children and the hearts of the children to their fathers, so that I will not come and smite the land with a curse.”

The word of the Lord.

Psalm 98:1–9

¹Sing to the LORD | a new song,

for he has done | marvelous things.

²**With his right hand and his | holy arm**

has he won for him- | self the victory.

³The LORD has made | known his victory;

his righteousness has he openly shown in the
sight | of the nations.

⁴**He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to
the | house of Israel,**

**and all the ends of the earth have seen the
victory | of our God.**

⁵Shout with joy to the LORD, | all you lands;

lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing.

⁶**Sing to the LORD | with the harp,**

with the harp and the | voice of song.

⁷With trumpets and the sound | of the horn
shout with joy before the | king, the LORD.

⁸**Let the sea make a noise and all | that is in it,
the lands and those who | dwell therein.**

⁹Let the rivers | clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he
comes to | judge the earth.

Second Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 3:1–13

Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you; and that we will be rescued from perverse and evil men; for not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one. We have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that you are doing and will continue to do what we command. May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the steadfastness of Christ.

Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from every brother who leads an unruly life and not according to the tradition which you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example, because we did not act in an undisciplined manner among you, nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with labor and hardship we kept working night and day so that we would not be a burden to any of you; not because we do not have the right to this, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you, so that you would follow our example.

For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: if anyone is not willing to work, then he is not to eat, either. For we hear that some among you are leading an undisciplined life, doing no work at all, but acting like busybodies. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to work in quiet fashion and eat their own bread. But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary of doing good.

The word of the Lord.

Offering

Offertory

Men's Choir

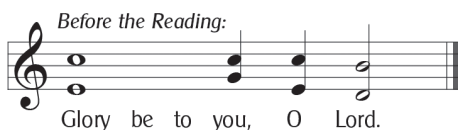
Please stand for the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

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The Gospel is written in the 21st chapter of Luke.



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Gospel: Luke 21:5–36

And while some were talking about the temple, that it was adorned with beautiful stones and votive gifts, He said, “As for these things which you are looking at, the days will come in which there will not be left one stone upon another which will not be torn down.” They questioned Him, saying, “Teacher, when therefore will these things happen? And what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?” And He said, “See to it that you are not misled; for many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am He,’ and, ‘The time is near.’ Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and disturbances, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end does not follow immediately.”

Then He continued by saying to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be great earthquakes, and in various places plagues and famines; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. “But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you, delivering you to the synagogues and prisons, bringing you before kings and governors for My name’s sake. It will lead to an

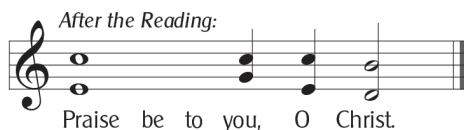
opportunity for your testimony. So make up your minds not to prepare beforehand to defend yourselves; for I will give you utterance and wisdom which none of your opponents will be able to resist or refute. But you will be betrayed even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death, and you will be hated by all because of My name. Yet not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives. "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then recognize that her desolation is near. Then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains, and those who are in the midst of the city must leave, and those who are in the country must not enter the city; because these are days of vengeance, so that all things which are written will be fulfilled. Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days; for there will be great distress upon the land and wrath to this people; and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

"There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth dismay among nations, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting from fear and the expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these things begin to take place, straighten up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then He told them a parable: "Behold the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they put forth leaves, you see it and know for yourselves that summer is now near. So you also, when you see these things happening, recognize that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away. "Be on guard, so that your hearts will not be weighted down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of life, and that day will not come on you suddenly like a trap; for it will come upon all those who dwell on the face of

all the earth. But keep on the alert at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are about to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles Creed

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We confess our faith with the Apostles Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father, the Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Please be seated.

Children's Chat

Sermon: "Now What?"

Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation"

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Prayers of the Church

Following each prayer:
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

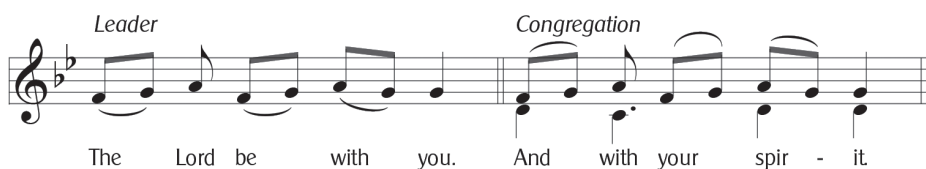
Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen

Exhortation

Preface and Sanctus

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Leader *Congregation*



The Lord be with you. And with your spir - it.

Leader



Lift up your hearts.

Congregation



We lift them to the Lord.

Leader



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

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Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

¹**hallowed be thy name,**

²**thy kingdom come,**

³**thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.

⁴**Give us this day our daily bread;**

⁵**and forgive us our trespasses,**

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

⁶**and lead us not into temptation,**

⁷**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus, on the night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you; do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: Take, and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Agnus Dei

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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin
of the world, have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,
grant us peace. A - - - - - men.

Distribution of Communion

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Remain seated after the distribution.

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to everlasting life.

Nunc Dimittus

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Lord, now let your servant de- | part in | peace,
ac- | cording to | your | word.
For my eyes have | seen your sal- | vation,
which you have prepared before the | face of | all | people:
A light to | lighten the | Gentiles
and the | glory of your | people | Israel.
Glory | be to the | Father,
and to the | Son, and to the | Holy | Spirit,
As it | was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and ever shall be, | world without | end. | A- | men

Thanksgiving

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Benedicamus

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Leader: Congregation:

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Leader: Congregation:

Bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven” M. Burkhardt

We remain seated, worshiping silently during the postlude, standing at the end of the postlude to face the processional cross, now at the rear of the sanctuary.

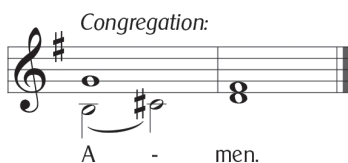
Benediction

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The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace.



*We extend our love, prayers, and sympathy to Judy Lowman
on the death of her half-brother, Charlie White.
Mr. White died October 29, 2022.*

Poinsettias and Luminaries for Christmas

Poinsettias are available for purchase this year at \$13 per plant.

Order deadline is December 4th. Forms are in the narthex.

You may also sponsor luminaries, which will be placed around the walkways, for any amount. Luminary donations will go to the Youth Fund.

We ask everyone to please write your name in the friendship register on your row so we will have a record of your attendance, and a record of how many people we have worshipping with us each Sunday. If you are visiting, and would like the pastor to contact you, please include your contact information.

Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Eve service will be Wednesday, November 23rd, at 7pm. We hope to see you there.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 24th, at 1pm, we will have a Thanksgiving meal for anyone who has nowhere to go or no one coming to you. Bring your favorite dish (side dish or dessert) to share. The Rymans will be roasting a number of turkeys for all to enjoy. Rolls will also be provided.

To build up our appetites, join Susan, Mark, and Wyclif at 11am for a walk on the church trails before we eat.

If you plan to be with us for Thanksgiving dinner, please call the church office, or mark the Friendship Register next to your name with “Turkey x ____” (the number in your party).

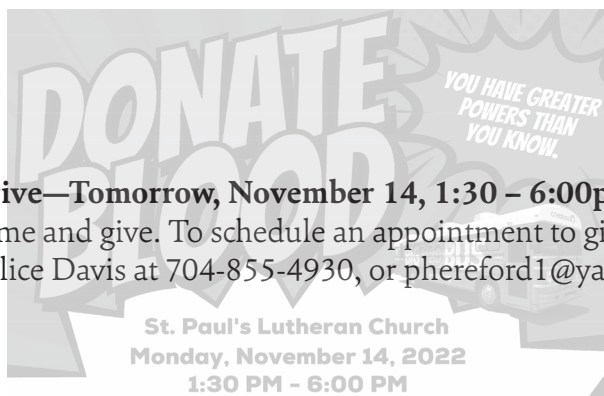
Special Prayers for members of St. Paul’s:

- Some dude with a meniscus issue
- Tricia Clark – Recovering; surgical procedure
- Jerry Hilliard – Health concerns
- Seth Holland – Recovering from surgery
- Ruth Julian – Health concerns
- Chloe Monroe – Recovering; surgical procedure
- Caleb Orbison – Safe return home from Military deployment
- Teresa Peeler – Health concerns
- George Reese – Health concerns
- Amy Watson – Cancer (friend of Greg Wilhelm)
- Leilani Watson – Recovering from surgery
- Jane Wilhelm – Health concerns

Please see the monthly Epistle for a complete list of prayer needs for members, homebound, family, and friends.

Blood Drive—Tomorrow, November 14, 1:30 – 6:00pm

Please come and give. To schedule an appointment to give blood, contact Alice Davis at 704-855-4930, or phereford1@yahoo.com.



Wreaths Across America

Girl Scout Troop 743 will help place wreaths on graves at the Salisbury National Cemetery on December 17. If you would like to pay for one or more to be placed, write “wreath” and how many you are paying for on your offering envelope. **Wreaths are \$15 each. Money is due to the organization on the 27th.** Please contact Nicole Amos with any questions. Thank you for your support in honoring our military during the Christmas season.

★ December 17, 2022 ★
National Wreaths Across America Day



Please help
Girl Scout Troop 743 by
sponsoring a wreath today to be
placed on a Veteran's grave
this December at
Salisbury National Cemetery Annex

Just scan the QR code to your right with your
smart phone camera to make a donation online or
visit wreathsacrossamerica.org/NC0277



Stewardship

General Fund Offering (11/06).....	\$6,745
Other Offering(11/06)	\$2,260
Sunday School Attendance (11/06)	78
<i>This does not reflect exact attendance as not all classes turned in attendance slips.</i>	
Worship Attendance (11/06)	176
General Fund YTD Receipts as of 11/06..	\$350,062
General Fund YTD Budget as of 11/06	\$394,687

Sunday, November 13

- Annual Congregational Meeting, 10:30am
- All youth, music and Bible Study, 2:30pm
- Men's Choir practice, 5pm
- Handbell practice, 6pm
- Vespers—finger foods at 6pm; Vespers at 6:30pm are also live-streamed on our Facebook page.

Monday, November 14

- Faith Academy after-school program, 1–3pm
- Blood Drive, 1:30–6pm
- Melissa Lura Circle, 6:30pm

Tuesday, November 15

- Adult Confirmation Class in the chapel, 10am and 6pm
- Staff meeting, 5pm
- Girl Scouts, 7pm
- Executive Committee, 7pm

Wednesday, November 16

- Classical Conversations homeschool group, 8:30am–3:30pm
- Adult Choir practice, 6:30pm
- Youth Confirmation Class, 7:30pm

Thursday, November 17

- Bible Study Class, 10am and 6pm

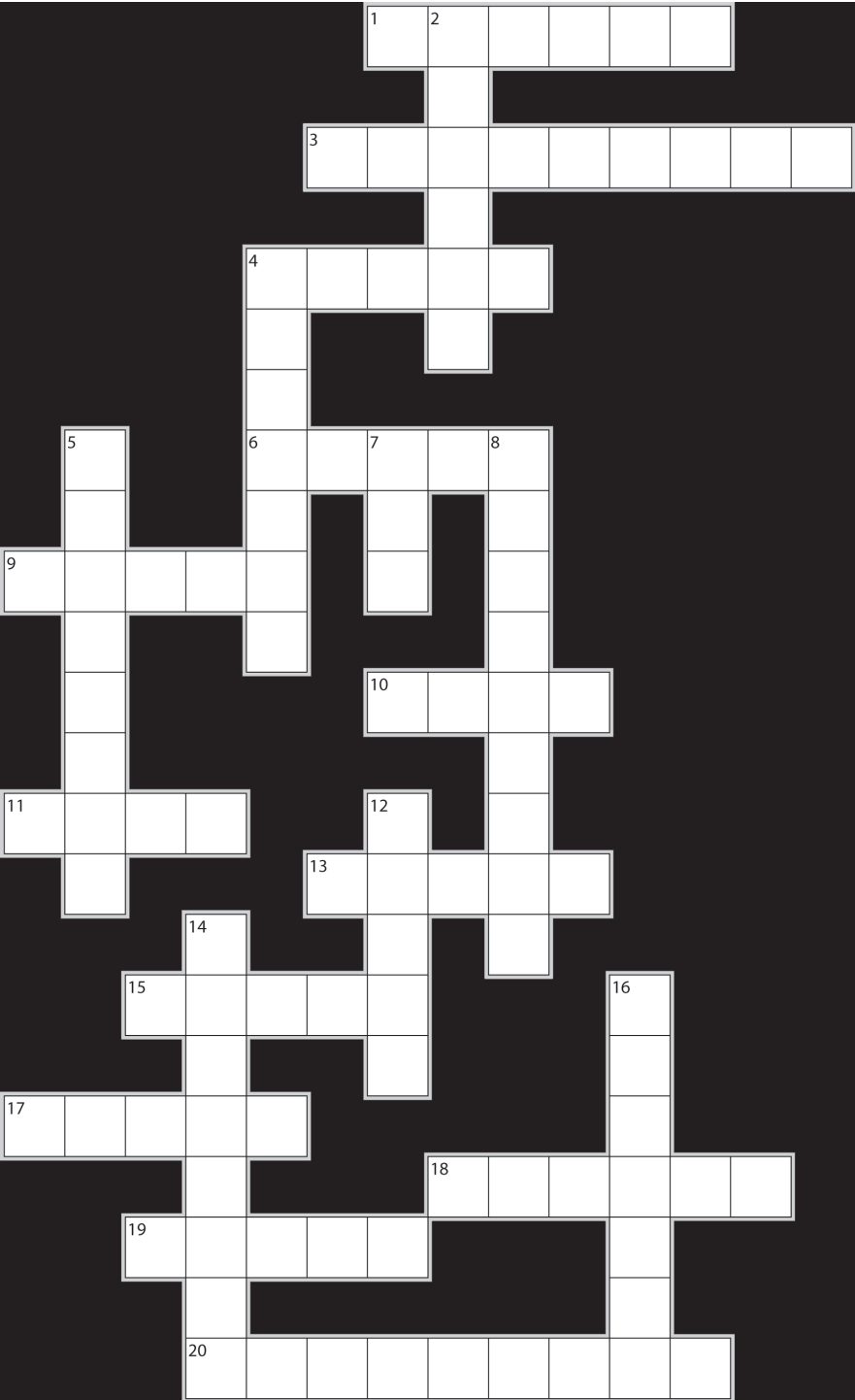
Saturday, November 19

- Mary Sherrill graveside service, 11:30am
- Sherrill family visitation in the fellowship hall following service

Sunday, November 20

- New Council members installed, 10:30am
- Men's Choir practice, 5pm
- Handbell practice, 6pm
- Vespers—finger foods at 6pm; Vespers at 6:30pm are also live-streamed on our Facebook page.

Rehearsals for November—Men's Choir rehearsal will be at 5pm, and handbell rehearsal will be at 6pm during November.



Two Year Daily Lectionary

Pentecost 23, Year 2

Sunday – Micah 1:1–9; 1 Corinthians 10:1–13; Matthew 16:13–20

Monday – Micah 2:1–13; Revelation 7:1–8; Luke 9:51–62

Tuesday – Micah 3:1–8; Revelation 7:9–17; Luke 10:1–16

Wednesday – Micah 3:9–4:5; Revelation 8:1–13; Luke 10:17–24

Thursday – Micah 5:1–4, 10–15; Revelation 9:1–12; Luke 10:25–37

Friday – Micah 6:1–8; Revelation 9:13–21; Luke 10:38–42

Saturday – Micah 7:1–7; Revelation 10:1–11; Luke 11:1–13

ACROSS

1. Like Ezekiel, John was to eat this. (Revelation 10:1–11)
3. Jesus set his face to this city. (Luke 9:51–62)
4. Verse four is associated with which commandment? (Micah 6:1–8)
6. Who cried “Woe, woe, woe”? (Revelation 8:1–13)
9. 12,000 are sealed from each... (Revelation 7:1–8)
10. What did the disciples want to learn to do? (Luke 11:1–13)
11. She sat listening at the Lord’s feet. (Luke 10:38–42)
13. He was filled with power and the Spirit. (Micah 3:1–8)
15. Jesus saw him fall from heaven. (Luke 10:17–24)
17. They made their robes white in the Lamb’s... (Revelation 7:9–17)
18. What did those do who insisted Micah not preach? (Micah 2:1–13)
19. Who is Bar-Jonah or the son of Jonah? (Matthew 16:13–20)
20. He showed mercy. (Luke 10:25–37)

DOWN

2. The Rock was... (1 Corinthians 10:1–13)
4. In latter days the people will walk how long in God’s name? (Micah 3:9–4:5)
5. Where is God’s seal placed? (Revelation 9:1–12)
7. Instead of trusting his neighbor, Micah looked to... (Micah 7:1–7)
8. A region associated with Jerusalem. (Micah 5:1–4, 10–15)
12. The horses had heads like... (Revelation 9:13–21)
14. Pray to the Lord of the harvest for these. (Luke 10:1–16)
16. Whose wound is incurable? (Micah 1:1–9)



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Next Sunday's Lessons: Malachi 3:13-18; Psalm 95:1-7; Colossians 1:13-20; Luke 23:27-43

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