

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

God expects us to provide for our families.  
"If anyone does not provide for his relatives, *and especially for his immediate family,*  
*he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever*" (1 Tim. 5:8).

### FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### PSALM 149

Hallelujah!

Sing to the Lord a new song; \*

    sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; \*

    let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Let them praise his Name in the dance; \*

    let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people \*

    and adorns the poor with victory.

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; \*

    let them be joyful on their beds.

Let the praises of God be in their throat \*

    and a two-edged sword in their hand;

To wreak vengeance on the nations \*

    and punishment on the peoples;

To bind their kings in chains \*

    and their nobles with links of iron;

To inflict on them the judgment decreed; \*

    this is glory for all his faithful people.

Hallelujah!

### SECOND READING

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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### THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

**WE REMEMBER BEFORE GOD ALL PEOPLE  
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN  
DISRUPTED BY VIOLENCE OR WAR.**

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WORK FOR PEACE  
AND FOR NEW BEGINNINGS.**

- ✧ As we pray, let us remember Yamille; the Dodds family; John; Michael; John; Ken; Jeff; Marge; Jenny; Lisa; Annette; Lacey & her family; Steve; Karley; Janet; James; Shannon; Anthony; Randall; Lori; Hollis & Denise; Keira.
- ✧ We pray for all who are in the paths of wildfires, hurricanes and their aftermath. We give thanks for the rescuers & comforters.

Our altar flowers are given by Cherie Lee  
*In memory of loved ones*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SOUL FOOD SUNDAY** -- We are sharing the book "Rediscover Jesus" by Matthew Kelly. Meet us between services; we begin about 9:10 and end in time for you to get to the second service. If you have questions, contact Dan Basche, Mary Grace Gannon, or Rose Hartley.

#### LAST CHANCE TO BUY RAFFLE TICKETS!!

Support our Garden Ministry by purchasing a ticket! Drawing is today! Proceeds support projects in our garden area. Tickets are \$5/each or \$10/for 3.

**IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN—TIME TO SERVE AT CHRIS BECKER DINING ROOM!** We will serve God and our less fortunate brothers & sisters at the soup kitchen 4-ish this Tues. We would love to have at least 7-8 people to help. A few things to remember — tell Dan Basche you will be there; take a gallon of chocolate milk with you, wear your smile and show your love!

**TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY** This Tuesday at 6 PM in the Parish Hall, we will be concluding our discussion of Zechariah and completing the Old Testament with the Book of Malachi. The study is open to all.

**LADIES OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED TO ESCAPE TO THE COOL PINES OF PRESCOTT FOR A DAY TRIP THIS SATURDAY.** Bring a sack lunch. Water, tea and dessert will be provided. We will carpool from the church. Sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall.

**FROM SHELLI ROMERO: MARK YOUR CALENDARS - OUR OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATION IS SET FOR SEPT 30TH.** Pre-Reserved tickets go on sale Sept 10th, \$10 per person. Contact Shelli Romero if you would like more information.

**IF YOU NEED PRAYER FOR YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE,** a member of the Pastoral Care Ministry can be found in our Library during Communion at both services, for 10 minutes before & after the first service, and for 10 minutes after the second service.

**SEPTEMBER VESTRY MEETING** Please note that our September meeting has been rescheduled. We will meet next Wednesday (9/20) at 7:15 PM, instead of this Wednesday.

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	Nursery care	7:45–11:15 AM
	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite I</b>	<b>8 AM</b>
	Soul Food Sunday (CH3)	9:10 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Sunday Youth Program (CH 6)	9:45 AM
	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite II</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
	Praise Band Practice (C)	11:30 AM
Tue.	Chris Becker Dining Hall	4:10 PM
	Faith Through the Arts (L)	4:30 PM
	Joyful Noise practice (C)	5 PM
	Old Testament in Review/Bible Study	6 PM
Wed.	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite II</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7 PM
Thu.	Women's Bible Study (MR)	6 PM
Sat.	Women Unlimited Day / Trip to Prescott	
	Men's Fellowship, Breakfast & Study	8 AM
	Folklore Youth Dancers	6 PM
	<i>Baile Folklorico de Niños</i>	
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**FOOD PANTRY**  
cereal, peanut butter, jelly (strawberry or grape),  
brownie mix; shampoo and conditioner

**BLESSING BAGS**  
Travel size or individually wrapped please  
small bags of cookies; Rice Krispies treats  
granola bars; Welch's fruit snacks;  
Pepperidge Farm goldfish crackers