

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Tithing is an Old Testament principle that was never canceled in the New Testament.

*“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house.
Test me in this,’ says the Lord Almighty” (Malachi 3:10).*

FIRST READING

Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

PSALM 90:12-17

So teach us to number our days *

that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? *

be gracious to your servants.

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *

so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *

and the years in which we suffered adversity.

Show your servants your works *

and your splendor to their children.

May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; *

prosper the work of our hands;

prosper our handiwork.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of

grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

**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 George; Shelli; Dallas; Jazlynn; George; Larry & Leslie; Shelley & Eric; Jeff; Frank; Karen; Tommy; Cari & her family; Charlotte & Dwight; Janet; Kelsey; Nathan & family; Kay, Cristina, Kevin, JeNiene; Brody; Dan; Don; Shoney; Robert; Lori; Keira.

Our altar flowers are given
In celebration of
Elizabeth Bennett & Mathew Johnson's wedding

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR ANNUAL INGATHERING WILL TAKE PLACE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28TH. On that morning we will all have an opportunity to make a pledge to St. John's for 2019. Making a pledge is important to St. John's. It allows the vestry to make plans, and it helps us continue our journey of Growing our Faith Through Giving.

Women Unlimited Tea: Women Unlimited will host a tea for the Women Unlimited members and any other women from our church who wish to attend. The tea is this Saturday from 3 to 5 PM at the home of Mary Grace Gannon. Please bring a tea cup and saucer for your tea. If you have questions, please ask one of the hosts who include Mary Grace Gannon, Maryanne Vermillion and Pattie Prosory. A sign-up sheet can be found on the ministries' table.

BOY SCOUT TROOP FUNDRAISER Our church troop is selling popcorn after each service today.

PLEASE JOIN US BETWEEN SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY TO SIGN BIRTHDAY CARDS AND SEND WELL-WISHES TO OUR LADIES OF PERRYVILLE. The ladies are part of the Sunshine Club of the Episcopal Church at Perryville Woman's Prison. Birthday cards and stamps are always welcome. Many thanks for your continued donations.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	<i>Holy Eucharist Rite I</i>	8 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Boy Scouts Popcorn Fundraiser	
	Youth Sunday / Music by Joel Joa	
	<i>Holy Eucharist Rite II</i>	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM
Tue.	Tuesday Night Bible Study	6 PM
	Bunco (PH)	7 PM
	Joyful Noise practice	7 PM
Wed.	<i>Holy Eucharist Rite II</i>	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:15 PM
Fri.	Thrift Shop (CH7)	9 AM—1 PM
Sat.	Men's Fellowship, Breakfast & Study	8 AM
	Women Unlimited Tea	3-5 PM
	Thrift Shop (CH7)	9 AM—1 PM
Sun.	<i>Holy Eucharist Rite I</i>	8 AM
	Card signing between services (PH)	9 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Youth Group (CH 6)	9:45 AM
	<i>Holy Eucharist Rite II</i>	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM

FOOD PANTRY

fruit cocktail, brownie mix, 5 lb bag of flour,
Spam, cookies

BLESSING BAGS

Travel size or individually wrapped please
 single packs Cheezits, travel size bar soap,
fruit snacks, Rice Krispie treats