

Tuesday Tidings of Grace



This Tuesday is October 8, 2024

This past Sunday was:

Pentecost 20

[Sunday Worship on YouTube](#)

[Sunday Sermon on Website](#)

This past Sunday Pastor shared God's Word about marriage and divorce. We heard how Jesus answered questions on marriage by pointing to the foundations in Genesis 2. Our Lord invites us to seek God's design, to walk in His ways, and live for the good God has given to us and desires for us.

Next Sunday, October 13 is:

Pentecost 21

This coming Sunday we hear Jesus' conversation with the rich young man where our Lord invites him to look beyond his earthly wealth and his earthly deeds and see His need for Jesus Himself.

The readings are:

[Amos 5:6-7, 10-15](#)

[Hebrews 3:12-19](#)

[Mark 10:17-22](#)

The Hymn of the Day is:

"Consider How the Birds Above" - LSB #736

Grace Events This Week

Tue 10/8 (6p) - Weekday School

Thu 10/10 (9:30a) - Thursday Morning Bible Study - "Judges"

Fri 10/11 (7p) - Ultreya

Sun 10/13 (9:15a) - Bible Study - "Genesis"

Mon 10/14 - *No* Monday Worship

Tue 10/15 - *No* Weekday School

Tue 10/15 (7p) - Church Council Mtg

Daily Bible Readings

<https://bit.ly/gracedailybible>

Pentecost 21

October 13, 2024

Psalm: Psalm 90:12-17

Old Testament Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

This passage is a warning to the people in the days of the prophet Amos, when God's people were deep into injustices against the poor and the needy. Many were being taken advantage of and in all things God was not praised. The key verse is 5:15, "hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate." These words resonate with our present culture which often does the opposite: punish good, punish the righteous, and uphold that which is evil. As followers of our Lord Jesus we need to be people of justice, people who uphold the good and hate that which God hates.

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 3:12-19

This passage is a warning that believers may fall away from the faith. It highlights the past example of God's children of Israel who saw God's great deeds before Egypt through Moses, who saw God's mighty power in parting the Red Sea, and yet they still rebelled against God. If we too choose to walk in the ways of evil and we cheapen the grace of God, we are at risk of falling away. The solution, "share in Christ" and "hear his voice". Our confidence is in Him and Him alone.

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:17-22

In this passage Jesus tells the rich young man what he needs to hear. It was evident this man's confidence was in his own deed's and his own wealth. His confidence was earth-bound. In telling him to go and sell all that he has Jesus is telling him to be rid of all that is getting in the way of true saving faith and instead cling to Jesus Himself.

The Five Solas

Included in the October 6, 2024 Worship Folder

As we look ahead to Reformation Day (Oct. 31) at the end of this month of October, we are going to take time each week to look at the Five Solas. The "solas", Latin for "alones", are basic Christian principles that were taught and emphasized by the Lutheran Reformers, especially Martin Luther. The five solas state that Christians are saved by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, as revealed by Scripture alone, to the glory of God alone.



For this week we are looking at "sola fide", "faith alone." The biblical truth that we are saved by faith in Jesus Christ alone is what sets Christianity apart from all other religions in the world. We believe that it is faith, given and worked by God in us, that receives the gifts of God including salvation and eternal life. It is not a result of our works in any way that this occurs (see Ephesians 2:8-9). The Scriptures do teach however that a Christian with saving faith will do works as a result of this faith (see James 2:18).

This emphasis on faith alone means the emphasis is on Jesus' saving work on the cross for us. It is faith on our end that operates as the receiving vessel of all God's gifts to us. It is faith that clings to Christ and His Word. It is faith that receives grace, mercy and forgiveness. It is faith that is worked by the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in us.