



Welcome to Grace Episcopal “Internet” Church

Our attention today is again turned toward the subject of Christ’s return and the Day of Judgment. In the Parable of the Talents—a talent was a monetary unit

worth fifteen years’ wages in the first century—we are taught that what God has given us is to be used productively and ultimately returned to God, enhanced by our use of those gifts.

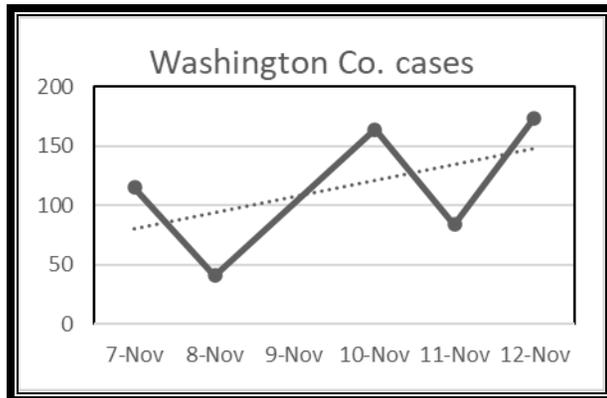
In the first reading from Judges the author(s) set the stage for the “Song of Deborah” in Chapter 5. “Judges” in Israel were religious, military, and political leaders in a time when “there was no king in Israel and all did what was right in their own eyes.”

Today we conclude reading through 1 Thessalonians. In his final words to this early congregation, confused because the Lord has not yet returned, Paul tells them that Jesus’ return cannot be predicted. In addition, he tells them, and us, to live in preparation all the time with the confident certainty of those who live in the light of God’s self-revelation in Jesus Christ.

In historical periods of social confusion—such as our own time—popular religion often focuses on the most negative and pessimistic aspects of the biblical message of judgment. The central message of Holy Scripture, however, is not God’s wrath but God’s love and the promise made to us of salvation. As we gather in the Eucharist we again hear that message of the loving God and are equipped to go forth to proclaim it to the world.

Next week Stewards of the Service November 22

TBD	Old Testament Lector
Gabrielle Saasta	New Testament Lector
Susan Talley and The DeLongs	Musicians



Scripture Forecast for Feast of Christ the King; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46

Those in need of Prayer this week: Dan, Gail, Jeanine, Carla, Bernadine, Fr. Paublo, Moore Family, Rafael, Connie. Amy and Bob. BJ and Larry, Dan and Lucy, Phoebe Mary.

Long term care and prayers: *Eddie, Gabrielle, Jamie, Nick, Barbara, Jeff, Toby, Bambi, Nancy, Patty, Fran*

Announcements

- **Gov. Herbert declares Washington County “High Risk”**
- **Bishop’s Committee meeting via Zoom Thursday @ 5:30**
- **Thanksgiving Holy Eucharist at 10:30am.**
- **Next Food Box day is Friday, November 27 from 12-1. Contact Marcia if you can help or donate.**
- **The Crop Walk will be Virtual this year. Link below: www.crophungerwalk.org/saintgeorgeut**
- **Come and join us on Facebook for morning prayer at 10:30am Tuesday and Thursday. On Wednesday, Friday & Sunday at 10:30am. Communion in the sanctuary via ZOOM and/or Facebook.**
- **Fr. Tom out of town Dec. 9-12th Fr. Jeff will celebrate.**
- **Annual meeting January 10, 2021 Openings for Bishop’s Committee will be addressed. 2 (maybe 3) openings**

Please call or email your prayer requests to the office. Please let us know if you are ill or have the virus! Remember Grace Episcopal Church on Amazon Smile for purchases! We need the money! DEADLINE FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS IS WED @ 2:00PM

Sunday worship will continue in this “virtual” space for some more weeks as we are a vulnerable demographic. The criteria is set by no reported cases for a specified time (a minimum of 2 weeks in our region). Because of this the Bishop requires masks for all limited gatherings. Emails will come inviting you to one of three services through the <reopen.church> website and app. Feedback is always welcome. Tom+