

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

October 27, 2024

The First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Psalm

Psalm 126

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."

4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Reading

Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The Gospel Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Announcements

Birthdays this month

4th: Brad Tidwell
 5th: Bryan White
 8th: Amy Brown
 8th: Fr. Bill Carroll
 8th: Tommy Read
 17th: Tito Nieves
 20th: Gianna Glave
 21st: Ken Root
 26th: Joshua Martinez
 30th: Louis Zak

This Week at SMAA

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

6:00 pm Dinner & fellowship

Sunday, November 3, 2024

9:00 am Bible Study: The Path

10:00am All Saints' Sunday: Holy Eucharist

11:30 am Potluck Lunch

Trunk or Treat

TODAY: Join us **Sunday, October 27th, 5-7 PM** at First Christian Church. We need kids, parents, and adults to give out candy and bring candy for the event. If you would like to donate candy for this event, you may bring your candy to church. You can place it in Mother's Tracey's office.

All Saints' Day: Remember the Saints in our Lives

NEXT: Sunday, November 3rd

Please join us for All Saints' Sunday service to honor and remember our loved ones. Please bring a photograph, or a small token to represent whom you love who have gone before us. We will display them on the altar for the Eucharistic prayer that day, as well as remember the names of those you would like us to remember. We will celebrate with a potluck lunch, after the service. Please bring favorite foods of our beloved friends and family that we are remembering.

Please send those names by **Wednesday, October 30th by 12:00 PM**

Fall Fest Cookout

Join us on **Sunday, November 24th**, after the service in the Parish Hall. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and All the Fixins', provided by Brad Tidwell and Claire Renzetti and the VeraBank Big Cooker. Please bring condiments, a side or dessert to go with burgers & hot dogs.

Pledge Cards

Stewardship letters were mailed out on Friday, October 11th and you should be receiving a pledge card. Please turn in your pledge card by **November 3rd**. Extra pledge cards are available in the Narthex. You can also go onto Onrealm, create an account, and enter your pledge. Go to: <https://onrealm.org/smaalongview/AddPledge/generalfund>

Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate the flowers for the service, the Flower Dedication forms for 2022 are in the narthex.

Prayer Requests

Healing For:

- Angelina Bynum
- Mtr. Tracey
- Andrew McWhorter
- Libby Menger
- The Akinson & Brown Families
- Lorraine and Margie Litterski

Bereavement For:

- Rebecca Earline Clayton Beasley Family

Other Prayer Request:

- Jonathan secures employment, enabling the Bowman family to relocate to Longview.

To submit a prayer request, fill out the back of the information sheet in the pew and place it in the offering.

Or, send an email with your request to: prayer@smaalongview.org

**** Emailed prayer requests are received by all who've signed up for the SMAA prayer chain. This community of prayer is committed to holding up our needs and thanksgivings to God whenever they are shared. TO JOIN IN THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY, JUST SEND A REQUEST TO SMAA@SMAALONGVIEW.ORG ASKING TO BE A PART OF THE PRAYER CHAIN. ****

Stewardship Update

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	ABOVE/BELOW
10/06/24	\$3,987	\$3,302	\$685
10/13/24	\$3,262	\$3,302	-\$40
10/20/24	\$3,080	\$3,302	-\$222
YTD TOTALS	\$143,850	\$138,690	\$5,160

This Sunday's Servers

Acolytes: Diane Buffington

Cameras & Streaming: Melinda Smith

Danny's Team: Susan Kuhlman

Eucharistic Ministers: Joshua Martinez

Greeter: Chip Doran

Lector: Sheila Thrash

Nursery Helper: Helen Daniel Glave, Roxanne Brink

Ushers: Donna Richardson, Tommy Read

Vestry People: Roxanne Brink, Joshua Martinez

Worship Tech: Amy Brown

Next Sunday's Servers (11/03)

Acolytes: Jonathan Roberts

Cameras & Streaming: Robert Brown

Danny's Team:

Eucharistic Ministers: Amy Brown

Greeter: Joshua Martinez

Lector: David Brown

Nursery Helper: Susan Kuhlman, Roxanne Brink

Ushers: Donna Richardson, Jerry Ritchie

Vestry People: Samantha Rauch, Connie Fedrizzi

Worship Tech: Tommy Smith

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