



16 November 2014 – 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

May God who gathers us around Himself in the Word and Sacrament to bless us with His forgiveness this morning be your source of comfort, strength and renewal as you worship today.

In the Name of Christ, we are all called to come and hear that the Lord is Good!

Our Gospel reading is Matthew 25.14 -30 and the response after it is read is, **“Praise be to thee, O Christ”** spoken in unity aloud.

Call to Worship: Psalm 90.1-12

Hymns: Opening #115 Closing #636

Bible Studies start this week:

Ladies of the Well –*Bad Girls of the Bible*– Tuesday, The morning and evening groups will combine for a potluck meal at 6:00pm at the Burn's House (203 Chelsea Dr. Forest)

The Book of Romans - Thursday 10:30am or *** Wednesday at 7:00pm

Today we are pleased to have in worship, vocalists, Katie Epley and Brenda Ayres, accompanied by pianist, Melinda Dellert, and Jean Wibbens on flute.

This Tuesday at 1:00pm we will be meeting regarding the Building Rental negotiation. This is open to all. Please keep in prayer.

Our Hanging of the Greens service will be 30 November at 10:00am. We will meet after church on 23 November to set up.

There is a box for non-perishable food items in the Narthex to support local families. Please contribute as we seek to help others.

There are new sign-up sheets at the Welcome Center to provide meals around Nancy Eggleston's treatments. Thanks.

We are now participating in a new program at Kroger. There are information sheets in the Narthex. See Gail for more information.

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Sermon Notes

It's Really Not About the Gift!

Matthew 25.14-30

This parable is not about:

- Being stewards of our gifts
- Having big dreams
- Aggressive investment schemes

This parable is about: _____ !

False _____ of God.

_____ behavior of Christians.

Forfeiture of _____.

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