

Old Testament

Daniel 6:12–27

¹²Then they came near and said before the king, concerning the injunction, “O king! Did you not sign an injunction, that anyone who makes petition to any god or man within thirty days except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?” The king answered and said, “The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked.” ¹³Then they answered and said before the king, “Daniel, who is one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or the injunction you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day.”

¹⁴Then the king, when he heard these words, was much distressed and set his mind to deliver Daniel. And he labored till the sun went down to rescue him. ¹⁵Then these men came by agreement to the king and said to the king, “Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no injunction or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed.”

¹⁶Then the king commanded, and Daniel was brought and cast into the den of lions. The king declared to Daniel, “May your God, whom you serve continually, deliver you!” ¹⁷And a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. ¹⁸Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no diversions were brought to him, and sleep fled from him.

¹⁹Then, at break of day, the king arose and went in haste to the den of lions. ²⁰As he came near to the den where Daniel was, he cried out in a tone of anguish. The king declared to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?” ²¹Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever! ²²My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm.” ²³Then the king was exceedingly glad, and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God. ²⁴And the king commanded, and those men who had maliciously accused Daniel were brought and cast into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives. And before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones in pieces.

²⁵Then King Darius wrote to all the peoples,

and languages that dwell in all the earth: “Peace be multiplied to you. ²⁶I make a decree, that in all my royal dominion people are to tremble and fear before the God of Daniel, for he is the living God, enduring forever; his kingdom shall never be destroyed, and his dominion shall be to the end. ²⁷He delivers and rescues; he works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth, he who has saved Daniel from the power of the lions.”

Epistle

Ephesians 6:10–17

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God,

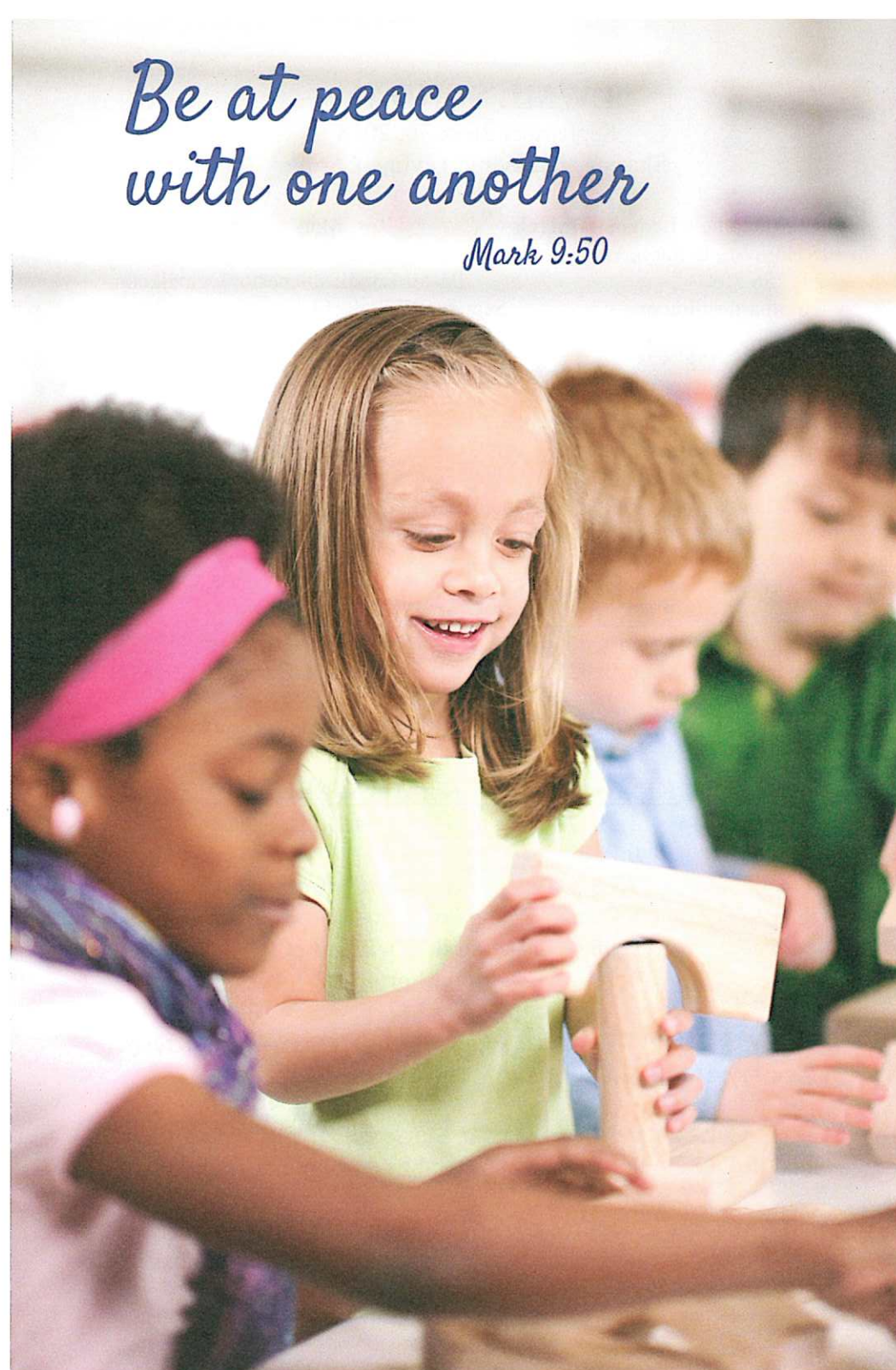
Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:25–30

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Be at peace with one another

Mark 9:50



About the Cover: God’s children are called to do the work of the Father. We should not do only the work that we choose, nor should we relegate to others tasks that we choose not to do. We are to live and work in harmony with all God’s children. We are to “be at peace with one another,” even when things don’t go our way or we don’t like how things are done. We are to live as God’s children and not as children of evil.

LWML SUNDAY
September 26 & 30, 2018
Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Hymns: 728, 575, 805, 528, 637, "Serve the Lord with Gladness"
(Tune: 662)
Sermon: "The Rest We Share"
Psalm 62:1-8

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 9/19 (Wed.): 50	Offering: \$456.00
Attendance 9/23 (Sun.): 92	Offering: \$1,626.00
S.S. - 16	Staff - 7
	B.C. - 8
Budget Needs: \$3,397.00	Scrip Profit 9/23: \$67.05

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (10/3) 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. - Confirmation Class
6:00 p.m. - Choir
7:00 p.m. - **Worship w/Comm.**
SUN (10/7) 8:00 a.m. - Sunday School/Bible Class
9:00 a.m. - **Worship w/Comm.**
1:00 p.m. - Circuit Forum at St. Bartholomew

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Pastor & Kris Krueger in memory of Ella Wildhagen.

SCRIP SELLERS NEEDED for Sundays. If interested, please contact Renee Bonick at 920-296-9164 or dnrbonick@gmail.com.

SYNOD CONVENTION LAY DELEGATE - Are you interested in being a lay delegate to the Synod convention, July 20-25, 2019, in Tampa, Florida? If so, contact Pastor Krueger by October 5.

CIRCUIT FORUM REP. - We are looking for a voting member of the congregation to be our lay representative at the Circuit Forum to be held here next Sunday at 1 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the circuit pastoral and lay delegates and alternates to the Synod convention to be held in July 2019. If interested, contact Pastor Krueger.

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS BEGINS NEXT WEEK - We begin our three-week focus on stewardship "Embracing Great Commission Stewardship" next week. Through a video, Scripture readings, hymns, and the message each week, we hear how God's call to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19) is a call from our heavenly Father to live a life of stewardship toward the gifts of time, talents, and treasures He richly gives. Living the life of a disciple who is always seeking to become more like Christ is, at the same time, the life of a good steward, by God's grace and His Spirit's power. We celebrate this faith even by submitting a commitment pledge the weekend of October 17 & 21 which describes our commitment to the Lord through our church for the coming year.

THE PRODUCE TABLE remains out if you have any extra fall produce you would like to share with members of the congregation. Items can be left on or taken from the table in the coat room anytime during the week.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

1 Corinthians 1:4 "I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus." The grace of God and thanksgiving go together. When God gives to us, thankfulness wells up inside of us. How could it not? And as Paul shows us here, it's not only the grace given to us that causes us to give thanks, but even the grace given to others. We certainly have much to be thankful for when we look at the gifts of grace all around us.

DISTRICT MISSIONS - In your prayers this week please include our international ministry, the **Mission to the Dominican Republic**. Led by Regional Director, **Rev. Ted Krey**, four churches, a Seminary, two primary schools and a group home have been established to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ on this island nation. Pray for an increase in financial resource, short term mission teams, and the safety of the missionaries who serve there.