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Today in Worship

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 12 September 2021

Welcome to worship at HOPE Lutheran. We invite you to please sign our guest registry, which you'll find on the inside aisle of each pew and pass it to your neighbors so that we might know who is worshipping with us this Lord's Day. After it reaches the end of the row, please return it to the inside aisle so that those seated there might give it to the acolytes following the service.

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Sunday Hymns: #825, #849, #528

Sermon Text: James 3:1-12

Sermon Theme: "Here! Chew on This!"

Wednesday Hymns: #825, #849, #528

Sermon Text: Mark 9:14-29

Sermon Theme: "Are You Arguing with Me?"

Collect of the Day

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament— Isaiah 50:4-10

⁴The Lord GOD has given me

the tongue of those who are taught,

that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;

he awakens my ear

to hear as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious;

I turned not backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;

I hid not my face

from disgrace and spitting.

⁷But the Lord GOD helps me;

therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like a flint,

and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

⁸He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;

the moth will eat them up. ¹⁰Who among you fears the LORD

and obeys the voice of his servant?

Let him who walks in darkness

and has no light

trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

Epistle— James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

Holy Gospel - Mark 9:14-29

¹⁴When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. ¹⁶And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. 18And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked vour disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²²And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." ²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

In Our Prayers

Our Missionaries: Jana Inglehart, Gary & Steph Schulte,

We remember those who are in care facilities:

At Azria Health: Don Larson,

Continental Springs: Teresa Santee Bickford of Sioux City: Robert Jager

Health Concerns:

Shelli Tuttle. Kim Daum, Daryl Daum's sister-in-law

Bob Gruber.

Howie Holdenried, Daryl & Roxanne Daum's friend,

Mary Bose, Renee Nissen's cousin

Carmen Ortega,

Karen Nissen, sister-in-law of Renee Nissen.

Phyllis Todd. Susan Utech.

Sarah Hansen, Darlene Bennett's daughter,

Ken Todd, Phyllis Todd's brother-in-law,

Roxanne Daum.

Katrina Peabody, Renee Nissen's niece

Josh LeGrande. Annette LeGrande's nephew.

Sandy Mallette,

Lori Langenderg, Annette LeGrande's friend

Ruth Cornell. Karen Watterson,

Joanne Walsh, Jeff Walsh wife & Suzy Awe's sister-in-law

Pastor Jeff Walsh, Suzy Awe's brother

Beth, Ervin Messerschmidt's daughter,

Doug Mallette.

Dustie Blunck, Carl & LuAnn's daughter in-law

Terry Koebernick,

Kimberly Christiansen Bohlke, daughter of Lynette Barker,

SERVING THE LORD:

OFFICIATING:

Rev. Michael Awe

SUNDAY ORGANIST:

Ruthie Witte

ALTAR CARE:

Jo Diediker & Mary Cummins

Don Mallette, father of Doug Mallette

Kim Fales, Sharon Weber's niece,

John Murry. Jennifer Veen. Titus Diediker.

Diane Barge. George Adam, Will Wittenbora. Randy Barnes.

Justin Miller. Diane Nelsen. Pastor Henry Witte,

Joan Bruhn, Dorothy Westin's friend,

Pastor Jerry Bruhn, Steve Petersen.

Matt LeGrande, Annette LeGrande's nephew,

Bonnie Schnieder. Ann Peterson, Corby Barnes, Claudyne Howard, Stephanie Hollibaugh,

Brad Westin.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Kevin & Jo Diediker- 40th Anniversary

WEDNESDAY ORGANIST:

Jo Chernock