

Sunday Feb. 12, 2023 – Adult Bible Study

What is the lectionary? The LCMS has 2 different ones. Which one do we use? How are they different? What is the purpose?

Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 30:15-20

1. Life and good, death and evil – what do these words bring up in a Christians' mind?
2. Moses tells the people, in plain terms, what will happen to them in the way they live. How does our world look at these things today?

Epistle Reading - 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

1. Infants in Christ, what does this mean? Why does he compare what is given as milk and solid food?
2. Paul and Apollos as missionaries, but why follow them? Confusion still reigns.

¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. ¹² What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³ Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 1 Corinthians 1:11-13

3. Gardening in the church – who does these things now days and in what ways?

Gospel Reading – Matthew 5:21-37

1. Jesus talks of anger as murder. How so? What is main ideal in this first section?
2. Losing body parts because of sin – truth or consequences – what is coming out here?
3. Divorce for wrong reason can lead to more sin. What does Jesus tell us here?
4. Yes be yes and no be no? Simple as that? Or is there more?

¹¹ Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful. ¹² But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your "yes" be yes and your "no" be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation. James 5:11-12