

# e-Tidings

November 4, 2016



**Readings for Sunday, November 6, 2016  
25th Sunday after Pentecost – Year C**

**Job 19:23-27a  
Psalm 17:1-9  
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17  
Luke 20:27-38**

The liturgical color for this Sunday is **GREEN**.

## **Synopsis of this week's readings**

**Job 19:23-27a**: Job affirms his faith that God will ultimately defend, justify and restore him, despite the accusations of his friends.

**Psalms 17:1-9**: A prayer for God's protection and justification based on the innocence and obedience of the one praying.

**2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**: Paul addresses the rumor-mongering and fear of the church, assuring them of God's love and salvation, and their secure hope in Christ.

**Luke 20:27-38**: Jesus is confronted by the Sadducees about life after death, using the story of a woman who, through Levirate marriage, is married to seven brothers consecutively. He responds with an affirmation of resurrection, proclaiming that God is the God of the living, not of the dead.

## **Reflections on this week's readings:**

This week we return to a central pillar of our faith, and one that must inform all that we do as we seek to follow Christ – the idea that life is eternal, that God saves, and that resurrection emerges from death. This is, of course, more than just an idea, but is a lived experience as we face death in all its forms and manifestations in our world, and as we cling to the hope that the Gospel offers us. Without the hope of life, of resurrection, it is pretty much impossible to remain committed and effective in dreaming of and working towards a more peaceful and just world.

May we be filled and empowered again by resurrection life in our worship this week.

**Prayer for today**: Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people to seek more eagerly the help you offer, that, at the last, they may enjoy the fruit of salvation; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**Read ahead**: Please visit the lectionary web page at: <http://www.lectionarypage.net>.

# This Week at PIC

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AT PIC



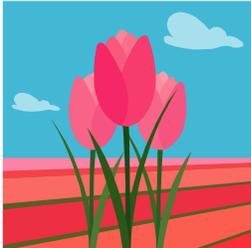
**Traditional Lutheran services:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

**Traditional Episcopal service:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

**Blended service:** 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

**Contemporary service:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

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SO WE DON'T DOUBLE BLOOM A SUNDAY!**

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The trip started out beautifully. But on the evening of November 21, 1873, as the Ville de Havre proceeded peacefully across the Atlantic, the ship was suddenly struck by another vessel, the Lochearn, and sank a mere thirty minutes later, with the loss of nearly all on board.

On being told that the ship was sinking, Mrs. Spafford knelt with her children and prayed that they might be saved, if such was God's will. A few minutes later, in the confusion, three of the children were swept away by the waves while she stood clutching the youngest. Suddenly the youngest child was swept from her arms. Mrs. Spafford became unconscious and awoke later to find that she had been rescued by sailors from the Lochearn. But the four children were gone.

Back in the United States, Horatio Spafford waited for news of his family, and at last, ten days later (after the rescue ship had reached Cardiff), it came. "**Saved alone**" was his wife's message. That night he walked the floor of his rooms in anguish, as anyone would have done. But this was not all. For as he shared his loss with His Lord, a loss which could not be reversed in this life, he found, as many have, that peace which indeed passes all understanding. Toward morning he told a friend named Major Whittle, "I am glad to be able to trust my Lord when it costs me something." Then, later, as he reflected on the disaster at sea, he wrote this hymn:

### When Peace Like a River

When peace, like a river attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea-billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,  
It is well; it is well with my soul.

Thought Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin - Oh, the bliss of this glorious thought,  
My sin - not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord; praise the Lord, Oh, my soul!

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,  
"Even so" - it is well with my soul.

## WORDS TO LIVE BY:

The many contradictions in our lives - such as being home while feeling homeless, being busy while feeling bored, being popular while feeling lonely, being believers while feeling many doubts - can frustrate, irritate, and even discourage us. They make us feel that we are never fully present. Every door that opens for us makes us see how many more doors are closed. But there is another response. These same contradictions can bring us into touch with a deeper longing for the fulfillment of a desire that lives beneath all desires and that only God can satisfy. Contradictions, thus understood, create the friction that can help us move toward God.

- *Henri Nouwen {Bread for the Journey}*

Blessings,  
Fr. Mike+

## THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

### Calendar of Events for the week October 24-30, 2016

<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
<b>Fellowship</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>Women's AA Meeting</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Men's Bible Study</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
<b>Ruth Circle (3<sup>th</sup> Tues.)</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Women's Bible Study</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Music Team Practice</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>

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