

*Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
September 10, 2017
Proper 18
1st Lesson
Exodus 12:1-14*

Please turn to page 53 of the Pew Bible for a reading from the Book of Exodus, Chapter 12, verse 1 – 14. (PAUSE)

12 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²“This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. ⁴And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.^[a]

⁷“Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. ¹⁰And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.

This is the Word of the Lord

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Psalm 149

Please turn to page 526 of the Pew Bible for the Psalm appointed for today, Psalm 149. (PAUSE) It will be read responsively by whole verse.

¹ Praise the LORD!

Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

² **Let Israel be glad in his Maker;
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**

³ Let them praise his name with dancing,
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!

⁴ **For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with salvation.**

⁵ Let the godly exult in glory;
let them sing for joy on their beds.

⁶ **Let the high praises of God be in their throats
and two-edged swords in their hands,**

⁷ to execute vengeance on the nations
and punishments on the peoples,

⁸ **to bind their kings with chains
and their nobles with fetters of iron,**

⁹ to execute on them the judgment written!
This is honor for all his godly ones.
Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

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2nd Lesson
Romans 13:8-14*

Please turn to page 948 of the Pew Bible for a reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans, Chapter 13 verses 8-14. (PAUSE)

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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Gospel
Matthew 18:15-20*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:

¹⁵ “If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.¹⁶ But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses.¹⁷ If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.¹⁸ Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.¹⁹ Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven.²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord