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Third Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: PRINTED IN THE BULLETIN

Psalm: Psalm 16

- ¹ Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good a- | bove all other."
- ² All my delight is in the godly that are ¹ in the land, upon those who are noble a- ¹ mong the people.
- ³ But those who run after | other gods shall have their troubles | multiplied.
- ⁴ I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods, never take their names up- | on my lips. R
- ⁵ O Lord, you are my portion ¹ and my cup; it is you who up- ¹ hold my lot.
- ⁶ My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land; indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.
- ⁷ I will bless the Lord who | gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night | after night.
- ⁸ I have set the Lord al- I ways before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall I not be shaken. R
- ⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- ¹ it rejoices; my body also shall ¹ rest in hope.
- ¹⁰ For you will not abandon me ¹ to the grave, nor let your holy one ¹ see the pit.
- ¹¹ You will show me the ¹ path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for- ¹ evermore. R

Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹ For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶ Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the dominion of God.

²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

⁵¹ When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³ but the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But Jesus turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son-of-Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹ To another Jesus said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰ But Jesus replied, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the dominion of God." ⁶¹ Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶² Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the dominion of God."