

The Parish of Stanley
The Twelfth Sunday After Trinity
August 23rd, 2026

DAILY BIBLE READING

A modified table of daily Bible Readings from the Prayer Book:

Sunday	2 Sam. 14.25-15.12	Galatians 4.1-5.1
Monday	2 Sam. 15.13-end	Galatians 5.2-end
Tuesday	2 Samuel 16	Galatians 6
Wednesday	2 Samuel 17.1-23	Ephesians 1.1-14
Thursday	2 Sam. 17.24-18.18	Ephesians 1.15-end
Friday	2 Sam. 18. 19-end	Ephesians 2.1-10
Saturday	2 Sam. 19.1-23	Ephesians 2.11-end

Let us pray for the Bible to be visible and read daily in every
home in our community.



This Week in the Parish

Tonight: 7:00 pm Evening Prayer (St. Paul's)

Please note that due to a medical emergency with my father,
Morning and Evening Prayer will NOT be prayed this week at St.
Thomas' Church. Also, the Holy Communion for the Feast of St.
Bartholomew will not be celebrated tomorrow evening.
CVB +

***Let us remember before God those of our sisters and
brothers who have departed this life and are at rest:***

Barry Calhoun Leona McKay
Christopher MacDonald Charles Crain
Alun Elias Lillian Holt



“Ephphatha!” “Be opened!”
(St. Mark 7.34)

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Coming right up

† Sunday, **September 6th** at 6:00 pm: The annual, outdoor Service at Tay Creek with Archbishop Edwards.

† God willing, Fr. Ranall and Sherry Ingalls plan to join us for worship on Sunday, Sept. 13th. Fr. Ranall will be our preacher.

A Place Where Everyone Belongs --

Camp Medley has launched **A Place Where Everyone Belongs**, a matching gift campaign supporting the new Accessible Pool and Facilities Project. Thanks to the generosity of the **J.T. Clark Family Foundation**, gifts designated to the project will help unlock a **\$375,000 matching gift**, creating an opportunity to add **\$750,000** toward this important project. If you wish to contribute, please mark the amount of your offering for 'CAMP MEDLEY'. Thank you!



The Nicene Creed which we say together at every Eucharist was written in 325 A.D., over 1700 years ago. It speaks of our belief in God the Holy Trinity using three paragraphs: the first for the Father, the second for the Son, and the third for the Holy Ghost.

The second paragraph is the longest by far. It goes into very specific detail to describe the Person of Jesus Christ. Why? Because at that time, the Church had been infiltrated by a heresy which insisted that the Son of God was created, and not of the same substance as the Father. This teaching had been accepted by many of the clergy, including Bishops; but, it undermined the Biblical teaching of the Trinity. It also disposed of real Hope and Salvation. If Jesus was just a good man, He could not have taken our sins upon Himself, on the Cross.

This morning's second hymn has an interesting story. It begins in 1718 at the Dusseldorf Art Gallery with Nikolaus von Zinzendorf, an 18 year old German. He found himself transfixed by an oil painting of the Lord Jesus in His Suffering on Good Friday. He looks utterly exhausted. His eyes are almost shut. Upon His head is the Crown of Thorns, and Blood is trickling down His face.

Completed in 1605 by the Italian painter, Domenico Feti, the piece was titled '*Ecce Homo*' (Behold the Man). Underneath it was a Latin inscription: 'This I have suffered for you, but what have you done for me?' Deeply touched, Nikolaus prayed that day for the Lord to draw him into the fellowship of His suffering.

Raised in a wealthy family, Nikolaus was able to buy a large estate which he opened as a home for religious refugees. And they came! Between 1722 and 1729, some 300 Moravians refugees from Bohemia and Moravia (parts of present-day Czechia) settled there. This new community was named 'Herrnhut' (meaning 'Under the Lord's Watch' or 'On Watch for the Lord'). Zinzendorf's aim was that it would be "in unceasing love with all children of God in all churches, criticize none, take part in no quarrel against those differing in opinion, except to preserve for itself the evangelical purity, simplicity and grace".

Following an outpouring of the Holy Spirit at a Communion Service on 13 August 1727, Herrnhut began the 'Hourly Intercession' where at least one member was at prayer, an hour at a time, around the clock. Incredibly, this prayer meeting continued unbroken for more than a century.

The words of Nikolaus' famous hymn speak of the oil painting that had impacted him so deeply 21 years earlier: "Jesus, thy Blood and righteousness my beauty are, my glorious dress". May they be just as meaningful to each one of us.

