

Youth Bulletin

Twelfth Sunday
after Pentecost
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Today's lessons:

- 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 Absalom was the most popular of all the sons of David. Out of a family conflict, Absalom starts an uprising against his father and seizes the throne. But David fights back, and while David wants to spare his son's life, Absalom is killed.
- Psalm 130 This psalm takes the perspective of someone in a deep, deep hole, and knows that his own actions have brought him into this position.
- Ephesians 4:25–5:2 Living as a Christian means a complete change of lifestyle, from living as individuals for oneself to living as member of Christ for the community.
- John 6:35, 41-51 After Jesus has said that he is the Bread of Life, people start to grumble. How can this man claim to have come down from heaven? But the problem is not Jesus' claim, but that it can be understood only through faith.

Agnus Day



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I AM...

In the Gospel of John Jesus uses seven images to say who he is and what he means to people: Here they got mixed up a bit, but hopefully you can figure out what Jesus is talking about!

- 1. DOB EFL FRIEA the _____
- 2. FORG WITT DOHEHLL the _____
- 3. EER SEFTH TAHPOEG the _____
- 4. GEHO DOPS REDH the _____
- 5. HNOFN SETE DUARR LEIRCEIT the _____
- 6. WHATT FAUN ADRYN ETH DEE ILTH the _____,
- 7. TEVER UNI the _____

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If you need help, you can find it in the Gospel of John: 6:35; 8:12; 10:7; 10:11; 11:25; 14:6; 15:1

When everything is messed up...

... then today's psalm still gives reason for hope.
The first 20 of the letters that remain after you have found all the words will tell you why to look for God in such a situation.

A W I T H Y O U I K E E P S R
 T S L M F O R G I V E N U T E
 T S U O E T N E L P E P D E D
 E S O R S I N S S K P Z R A E
 N W S N V H R Y D L G O O D M
 T A S I R A E H I H R Z W F P
 I I V N E E R C H O P E F A T
 V T M G H Q A U O X M S P S I
 E D P N N T Z I Y I H B Y T O
 Y E E C I O V B S T S N L X N
 F R O O H Q C U P R C T X Q I
 G A N P F Z Q E N M A J A E D
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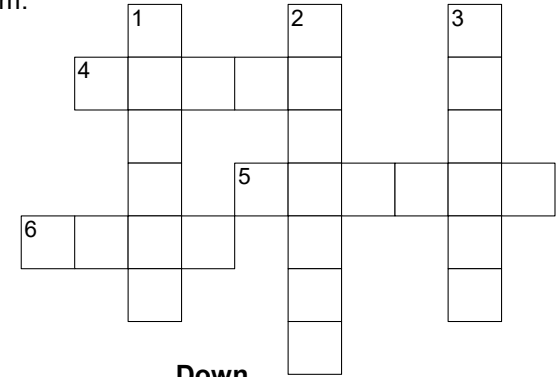
ATTENTIVE
 DEPTHS
 EARS
 FEARED
 HEAR
 HOPE
 ISRAEL

KEEP
 LOVE
 MORNING
 PLENTEOUS
 REDEMPTION
 SINS
 SOUL

STAND
 STEADFAST
 SUPPLICATION
 VOICE
 WAIT
 WATCH
 WORD

BLOOD RELATIVES

It's not only David and his sons: not all families in the Bible get along. Long-term family feuds and murder prove that even forefathers and foremothers were only human: they are honoured not for their moral perfection, but because God was gracious to them. Here are some of them:



Across

- 4 he cheated his brother out of his inheritance and then spent years out of the country, fearing his brother's revenge
- 5 she and her sister were married to the same man, resulting in constant domestic conflict
- 6 he was the first murder victim – killed by his brother

Down

- 1 he became the successor of Eli, the priest, whose sons had turned out to be scoundrels
- 2 he took his father's wives and throne
- 3 his brothers plotted to kill him because he was his father's favourite

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Choosing the right role model

Some people really don't aim very high in their ambitions:

GOOD! I'M A FROST-BITE.

The Letter to the Ephesians, on the other hand, is of the opinion that you can't aim too high, as you'll find once you put the letters in the right order:
