



A ministry of the whole church by the whole church



THEMES AND READINGS FOR COUNCIL OF THE NORTH SUNDAY*

CONTEMPLATION/BEING OPEN TO GOD'S WISDOM

(Value of narrative-based, oral tradition; theme of learning from elders)

Luke 10:38-42 (The story of Mary and Martha)

1 Peter 5:1-5 or 5:5-11

Proverbs 20:20-30

Matthew 6:5-15

2 Timothy 2:1-7

STEPPING OUT IN FAITH

(Is an individual or parish being called to greater mission or service?)

Genesis 12:1-9 (The Call of Abraham)

Exodus 4:1-17 (The Call of Moses)

Isaiah 6:1-8 (The Call of Isaiah)

Jeremiah 1:4-10 (The Call of Jeremiah)

Matthew 14:22-33 (Peter walks on water)

Mark 4:35-41, Luke 8:22-25 (Jesus calms the storm)

Mark 6:7-13 (The sending of the 12); Lk 10:1-12 (Sending of the 72)

Luke 1:26-38 (The annunciation, a stretch for both Mary and Joseph)

Luke 12:22-34 ("Consider the lilies...")

SOLIDARITY

(Standing with those who struggle or suffer)

2 Kings 2:1-14 (Elijah taken to heaven)

Ruth 1:8-18 (Ruth and Naomi)

Luke 23:44-56 (The women at the foot of the cross & Joseph of Arimathea)

Ephesians 2:12-22

Philippians 1:3-11

Philippians 1:27-30

Philippians 2:1-11

1 Peter 4:7-11

Rev. 21:1-4

James 2:1-13 (Warning against Partiality)

Galatians 3:23-29 ("...you are all one in Christ Jesus...")

Romans 14:13-23

Philemon 8-22 (Paul's Plea for Onesimus)

RECONCILIATION

Genesis 33:1-11 (Jacob and Esau)

Genesis 45:4-15 (Joseph and his brothers)

Isaiah 11:1-9



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RECONCILIATION (cont'd)

Isaiah 65:17-25

Matthew 5:21-24

2 Corinthians 5:11-21

Revelation 21:1-4

Philemon 8-22 (Paul's Plea for Onesimus)

SERVICE

(Could include a focus on the sacrificial work of non-stipendiary priests)

Matthew 20:20-28 (Who is the greatest in the Kingdom?)

Mark 9:33-37 (Who is the greatest in the Kingdom?)

Luke 22:24-27 (Who is the greatest in the Kingdom?)

Philippians 2:1-11

John 13:1-20

2 Corinthians 4:1-18

James 2:14-26 (Faith without works is dead.)

UNITY OF THE CHURCH/BODY OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

Romans 12:3-8

Ephesians 1:15-23

Colossians 1:15-20

Colossians 3:12-17

1 Peter 2:9-12

Ephesians 2:11-22

MISSION

Romans 10:14-17 ("How Beautiful Are the Feet...")

Matthew 28:16-20 (The Great Commission)

Matthew 9:35-38 ("The harvest is plentiful...")

Philemon 1-7

2 Timothy 2:1-7

Ephesians 6:10-20

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Psalm 96

Isaiah 52:1-12

*Alternates to propers to be used only with permission of diocesan bishop.

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