Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it... Psalm 127:1a

Worship:

Tabernacle Worship Service

Every Sunday Evening

St. John's Parish House 75 East Main St. South Pottstown 5:30 pm

Home Churches:

Hanover St. Home Church

Tuesday Evenings

256 South Hanover Street Pottstown 7:00 to 9:00

Home Church

Thursday Afternoons

61 North Evans Street Pottstown 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Ministry:

The Table

Every Wednesday Evening
Washington & Chestnut Sts. 7:00 pm



Norman's Game Night

3rd Saturday Evening Each Month Locations to be announced

This Year's Theme:



Your Prayer Notes:

The Ministries at MAIN Street Shelter.

Please pray that God would bless our endeavors as we ready for the mobile shelter season to begin in December. Also remember the host churches that will be extending the love of Christ to our friends.

Please also remember those of us who are struggling to find work in this broken economy.

Please remember Mother Edythe and Zenona as they struggle to find an appropriate place for Zenona quickly.

Gracious LORD, please help us to imagine rightly the worship and mission you have entrusted to our care in your world. Help us to see individuals only from your holy perspective and not ours. Work in us to become Your unique image to those needing to know you and your kingdom, both in the Church and outside. That your will be done. Amen.

Next Week's Scriptures:

November 16, 2008 Proper 28 (Year A) psalm 123, judges 4.1-7,

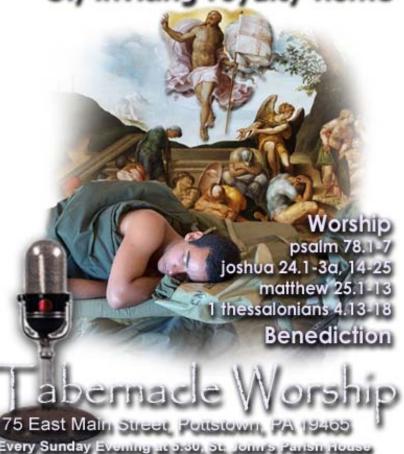
matthew 25.14-30, & 1 thessalonians 5.1-11

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Or, inviting royalty home



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[Service]

Tonight...

Scripture Reading & Call to Worship ::

salm 78.1-7

Worship Film ::

" Psalm 70"

Congregation Song Worship::

~ offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his eading:: deeds with songs of joy

Scripture Reading ::

Joshua 24.1-3, 14-25

Focus Film ::

"Kingdom Party"

The Scripture ~

Sleepy Eyes

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But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord... 1 Thessalonians 4:13-15a

This week's Lectionary: psalm 78.1-7, joshua 24.1-3a, 14-25, matthew 25.1-13, & 1 thessalonians 4.13-18

Reflection Film ::

" His Return"

Benediction ::

Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20-21

[Journaling Worship your talking points notes... for this Week's Church Discussion]

¥ the short version

¥ short memories, Rubbing our eyes

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Meditation:

Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God." But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the LORD, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the LORD!" Joshua 24.18-21

Reflection:

Joshua 24 warns of God's jealousy, and later verses of Psalm 78 give an example: Shiloh, an old center of Hebrew worship, is destroyed because of unfaithfulness, and Jerusalem, which considers itself divinely protected, is warned that it will suffer the same fate if it continues to sin. Consider what the prophets' words about following God might mean to the pride of modern nations. -Brueggemann

still waters home church studies Psalm 78.1-7 [Worship]

1 Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. 2 will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, 3 things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us. 4 We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. 5 He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children; 6 that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children, 7 so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.

Consider:

[Think & Pray...]

Michaela Bruzzese

Again we see how very much God wants our decision to be in relationship to be a completely free choice, not one born of guilt, obligation, or half-interest. As Joshua makes clear, we are free to choose idols and false gods if we wish: "If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve, the gods your father served...or the gods of the Amorites in whose country you are dwelling" (Joshua 24:15). In the end, the Israelites do choose Yahweh, who liberated them from

slavery; the one who "has eyes for the just, and ears for their cry"; who is "close to the broken hearted; and

saves those who are crushed in spirit" (Psalm 34:15-18).

Though this indeed is the God who saves, the call and the covenant are no easy matters or once-and-for-all decisions. Rather, our relationship is a lifelong



process of give and take, of struggle and witness.

[Scripture]

Matthew 25.1-13

1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; 4 but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. 6 But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' 10 And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. 11 Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13 Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.