

WILDERNESS WORDS

Editors

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This Sunday:

Leading:
Preaching: Milan
Presiding:

Readings this week:

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost, 24 September, 2017

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-15 and Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 **OR** Jonah 3:10-4:11 and Psalm 145:1-8

Psalm: Above

Epistle: Philippians 1:21-30

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

(To link directly to the readings (click) <http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=160>



Reflections:

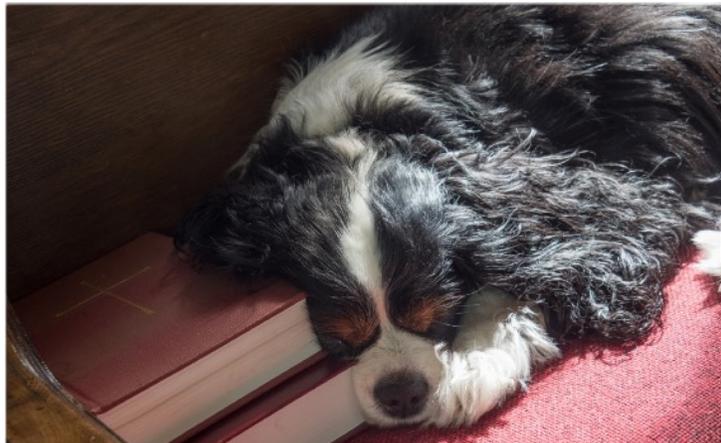
By Karl & Lee

160th ECMN Convention, Duluth 9/15 & 16



Inviting Mystery, Embracing Compassion, Encountering Christ.

A few years ago Suzanne and Beth went to ‘convention’ and were inspired by the convention theme of hunger. That has led us into Ruby’s Pantry and more. This year Spirit was represented by Mary Ellen, Carolyn, Milan, Lee and Karl. The North East Mission Area was the host of the event and Carolyn was recognized as our representative to that body. About 400 people attend convention, about 1/3 clergy, 1/3 delegates and 1/3 visitors. This year the Title was: “Engaging God’s Mission of the Beloved Community.” There was an overwhelming amount of information and activity jammed into one and a half days. We will get pictures from the official photographer and write more about this in weeks to come. Take a look at www.episcopalchurch.org/reconciliation to get a start on understanding Beloved Community. Each faith community is encouraged to approach the goals in their own way. There will be more written for this space in weeks to come – please share your comments and questions with any of us.



Forums: 2016 - 2017

Forums — immediately following services we grab our coffee and treats and spend an hour learning.

Oct. 22 — *Evolution and Faith*
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Notes:

- 1.) **On Saturday Oct. 14**, women from Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in St. Paul (who will up here on retreat) will offer an egg-roll making class. Maximum size is 20. Cost will 20 dollars each (will help defray their retreat expenses...) RSVP to Mary Ellen by Sept. 26th, and then I'll open it to the greater community.
maryellenvicar@gmail.com **Update:** the group teaching would then like to cook a meal to eat with participants. There would be an added cost. Stay tuned.
- 2.) **Sept. 25th** is "**Community Connect Resource Fair**" at the community center. SOTW has been asked to have a table. Set up at 3:30 and open till 7:00, if you can come for an hour or two.
- 3.) **Preaching Class** — please let MEA if you are interested and we'll set up a good time....
- 4.) We would like to have more different voices in our newsletter **Reflections**. Would you like to sign up--perhaps for once a month or once every two months? Please let Mary Ellen know.
- 5.) In support of the **United Nations International Day of Peace**, Gather for Peace is hosting a gathering at the Grand Marais Rec Park Pavillion from 7 to 8 p.m. on **Thursday, September 21st**. Participants will think, talk, read, and sing about peace. Details from Kathy Sullivan at [218-370-9799](tel:218-370-9799).

This year, the International Day of Peace will focus on engaging and mobilizing people throughout the world to show support for refugees and migrants. Its messages will be shared with communities hosting refugees and migrants as well as people concerned that refugees and migrants may bring physical and economic insecurity to their lives.



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