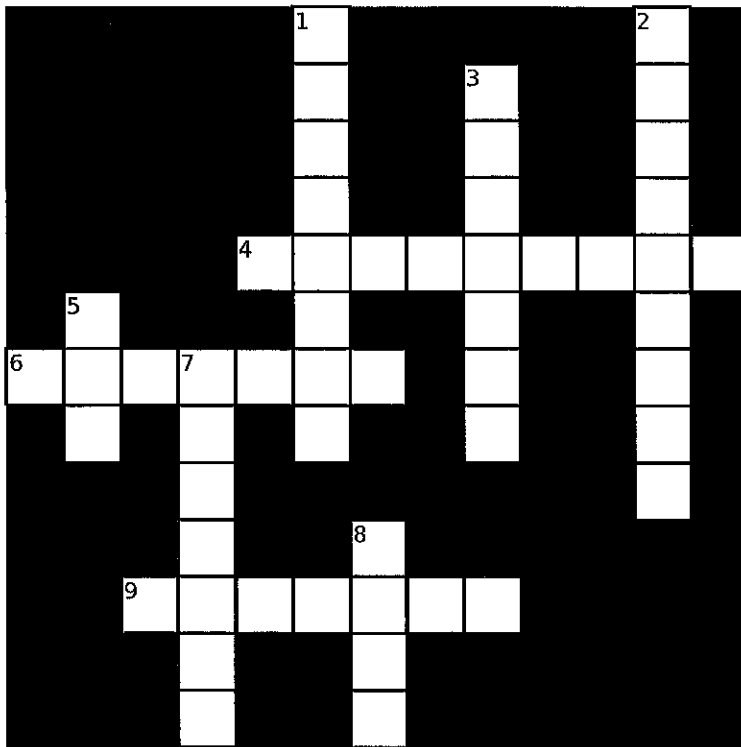


LESSONS FOR LAMBS

THE SIXTH WEEK AFTER TRINITY

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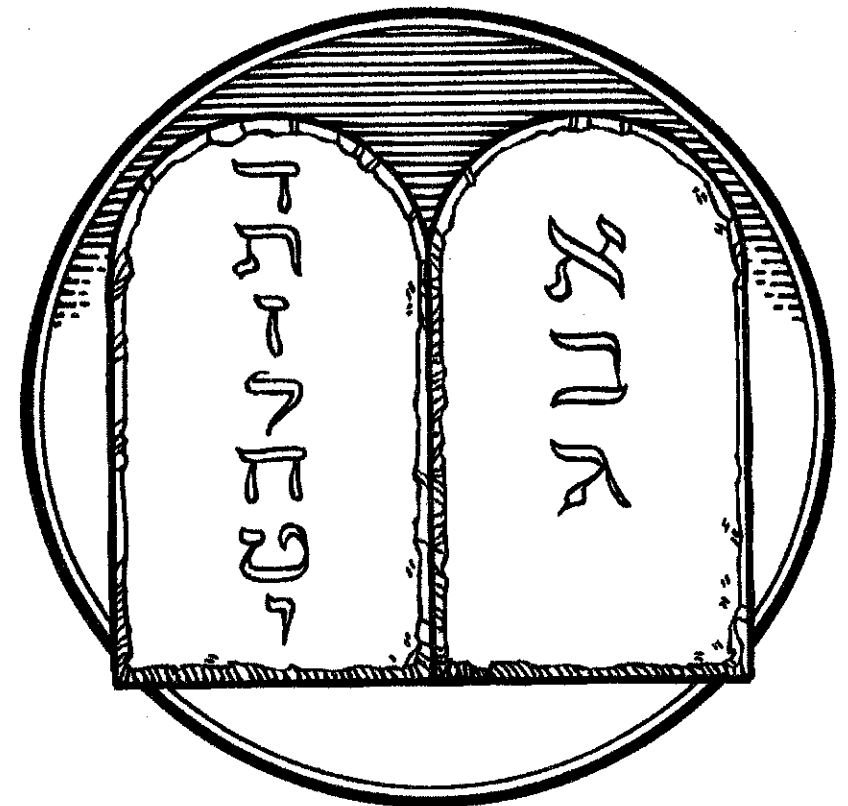


Across

- 4 Matthew was one of the twelve _____.
6 Today's Gospel reading is from _____.
9 Jesus came to save _____.

Down

- 1 When we confess our sins, God _____ us.
2 Matthew was a tax _____ before he was a disciple.
3 No one is too bad to be forgiven if they _____ in Jesus.
5 We can never keep the _____ perfectly.
7 This Sunday is the Sixth Week after _____.
8 Matthew as also know by the name _____.



What to listen for during the service?

Today in the Gospel Jesus reminds us that no one can keep the Law perfectly and our sins our only forgiven through Jesus. Listen for the part of the service where we confess the times we have sinned and broken the Law. How does the Pastor respond? Who is really forgiving us?

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Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:20-26

(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)

20 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

21 "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' 22 But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. 23 So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, 24 leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. 25 Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. 26 Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

Questions to talk about with your parents:

- 1) What should we do if we are angry with someone or if they have something against us?
- 2) What does "be reconciled" mean?
- 3) If we confess our anger to God and say we are sorry, will God forgive us?
- 4) Can we be perfect and never be angry with anyone?
- 5) We can never keep the Law perfectly, but if we are sorry for our sins God will forgive us. Since God forgives us when we do wrong, what should we do for others?

People of the Bible: Matthew

The Gospel reading today is from Matthew. But who was Matthew? Matthew was inspired by the Holy Spirit to write the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew was one of the twelve disciples and is also known by the name, Levi. Matthew was a tax collector before Jesus called him to be a disciple. At that time people didn't like tax collectors because they often

cheated people out of money. By calling Matthew as a disciple, Jesus showed that He came to save sinners (those who have done wrong). No one is too bad or has done too many bad things for Jesus to forgive them if they are sorry for what they have done. Jesus wants all people to be saved, and if they believe in Him as their Savior they will be.

HYMN - "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall"

- 1 All mankind fell in Adam's fall;
One common sin infects us all.
From one to all the curse descends,
And over all God's wrath impends.
- 2 Through all our pow'rs corruption creeps
And us in dreadful bondage keeps;
In guilt we draw our infant breath
And reap its fruit of woe and death.
- 3 From hearts depraved to evil prone,
Flow thoughts and deeds of sin alone;
God's image lost, the darkened soul
Seeks not nor finds its heav'nly goal.
- 4 But Christ, the second Adam, came
To bear our sin and woe and shame,
To be our life, our light, our way,
Our only hope, our only stay.

Draw a picture of a friend forgiving another friend

