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LESSONS FOR LAMBS

THE TWENTY-SIXTH WEEK AFTER TRINITY

The color for the Twenty-Sixth Week after Trinity is green.



What to listen for during the service?

Listen for the word "heaven" or "eternal life" during the service. What do you hear about these words? We have our hope and trust in Christ. Where will we see Christ face to face and spend eternity?

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46

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

- 31 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. 32 Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. 34 Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? 38 And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? 39 And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' 40 And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'
- 41 "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' 44 Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' 45 Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46 And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Questions to talk about with your parents:

- 1) What did Jesus say to the sheep on His right?
- 2) When the sheep were doing good works, who did Jesus say they were serving?

- 3) Did the sheep remember that they did good works? What did the sheep trust in, their good works or their faith in Christ?
- 4) What did Jesus say to the goats on His left? Did they have faith and do good works in Christ?
- 5) Where did the goats spend eternity? Did they depend on themselves or trust in Christ?
- 6) Where did the sheep spend eternity? Did they depend on themselves or trust in Christ?

People of the Bible: Daniel

The Old Testament reading today is from Daniel. But who was Daniel? Daniel was an Israelite prophet during the time of the Exile, and we read about him in the book of the Bible named after him. As a boy, Daniel was sent to Babylon by the current king, Nebuchadnezzar. He went to school in the royal court and the king changed Daniel's name to Belteshazzar. Daniel remained faithful to his religion and worship of God, and was a servant of God. He became known for interpreting dreams and making prophecies for the future. Daniel proclaimed the coming Messiah in the future, the Christ who would save people from their sins. When Daniel disobeyed a law to only worship the king instead of God, he was thrown into the lions' den. God protected Daniel from the lions, and they did not harm him.

Draw a picture of Jesus separating the sheep & goats