SEEKERS CHURCH A Church of the Saviour Community

Revised Common Lectionary

Recommitment 2019 PERSISTENCE IN ADVERSITY

Joy abandons me. There is no cure for my grief. My heart is sick.... The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.... O that my head were a spring of water and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for my poor people.... The Holy One says, Build houses to live in; plant gardens and eat what they grow....Seek the welfare of the city....Pray to the Holy One on its behalf, for in its welfare, you will find yours.

Jeremiah 8:18,20, 9:10 and 29:5,7

How do you persist in adversity?

<u>September 8</u>	October 6
Jeremiah 18:1-11	Lamentations 1:1-6
Psalm 139:1-6,13-18	Psalm 137
Philemon 1:1-21	2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 14:25-33	Luke 17:5-10
Luke 14:25-33	Luke 17:5-10
Jeremiah 18:1-11	Lamentations 1:1-
Psalm 139:1-6,13-18	Psalm 137

September 15	October 13
leremiah 4:11-2, 22-28	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Psalm 14	Psalm 66:1-12
Timothy 1:12-17	2 Timothy 2:8-15
uke 15:1-10	Luke 17:11-19

	RECOMMITMENT SUNDAY
September 22	October 20
Jeremiah 8:18-9:1	Jeremiah 31:27-34
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Psalm 79:1-9 Psalm 119:97-104
1 Timothy 2:1-7 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 16:1-13 Luke 18:1-8

September 29 October 27 Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Joel 2:23-32

Luke 10.9-14

The Children Commit

I promise

- •To learn about God by coming to this church;
- •To take care of the air, water and earth, and to love the plants, trees, animals, birds, and fish:
- •To love and respect my body;
- •To help people who don't have much money;
- •To try to get along with my family, my friends, and others; and
- •To say "yes" to God as I grow.

The Members Commit

I am a Seeker. I come today to affirm my relationship with this Christian community in the tradition of the Church of the Saviour, linked with the people of God through the ages.

As a member of this church, I will deepen my relationships in this local expression of the Body of Christ, sharing my gifts from God with others who worship with Seekers Church, and in the wider world. I will:

- Nurture my relationship with God and Seekers Church through spiritual disciplines or practices;
- •Care for the whole of creation, including the natural environment;
- •Foster justice and be in solidarity with the poor;
- •Work for the end of all war, both public and private; and
- •Respond joyfully with my life, as the grace of God gives me freedom.

The Stewards Commit

I come today to make my commitment as a Steward of Seekers Church, a Christian community in the tradition of the Church of the Saviour, linked with the people of God throughout the ages. We worship God as triune being. Along with the Disciples, we believe:

- •That the Creator father and mother to us all, ground of our being loves, sustains and calls us;
- •That Jesus is the Christ, who calls us to a ministry of love and justice:
- •That the Holy Spirit, as the empowering presence and breath of God, confronts and inspires us to do God's work in the world.

We believe that we are all ministers of the Church, which is both universal, gracefilled body of Christ and fragile earthen vessel. I commit to:

- •Be a faithful witness to God's presence among us;
- •Nurture my relationship with God and Seekers Church through specific spiritual practices or disciplines;
- •Care for the whole of creation, beginning with the natural environment:
- •Foster justice and be in solidarity with the poor;
- •Work for the ending of all war, public and private;
- •Share responsibility for the spiritual growth of persons of all ages in the Seekers Church community;
- •Take responsibility for the organizational health of Seekers Church;
- •Respond joyfully with my life, as the grace of God gives me freedom.
- •When I move from this place, I will join another expression of Christ's church.