



Bemidji United Methodist Church

All Church E-mail for September 12, 2018

IS SOMEONE YOU LOVE ILL? In the hospital?

Please call the office or Pastor Rob Kopp

THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK...

Wednesday, September 12

1:00 Staff Meeting, **3:30** Bike Group, **5:00** Community Table,
5:30 Choir, **6:30** Youth Group

Thursday, September 13

4:00 SPRC Meeting, **5:00** Community Table, **6:15** Lotus Zen Meditation

Saturday, September 15

9:30 Yoga, **10:00** Prayer Shawl Meeting

Sunday, September 16

9:00 Adult Sunday School

9:30 Early Family Worship

10:30 Worship

Tuesday, September 18

5:30 Yoga, **5:30** AA in the Lounge,

5:30 Ruby Tuesday Singers Rehearsal, **5:30** Finance Meeting



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SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 SCRIPTURE

Taming the tongue

James 3:1-12 (CEB)

My brothers and sisters, not many of you should become teachers, because we know that we teachers will be judged more strictly. We all make mistakes often, but those who don't make mistakes with their words have reached full maturity. Like a bridled horse, they can control themselves entirely. When we bridle horses and put bits in their mouths to lead them wherever we want, we can control their whole bodies. Consider ships: They are so large that strong winds are needed to drive them. But pilots direct their ships wherever they want with a little rudder. In the same way, even though the tongue is a small part of the body, it boasts wildly. Think about this: A small flame can set a whole forest on fire. The tongue is a small flame of fire, a world of evil at work in us. It contaminates our entire lives. Because of it, the circle of life is set on fire. The tongue itself is set on fire by the flames of hell. People can tame and already have tamed every kind of animal, bird, reptile, and fish. No one can tame the tongue, though. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we both bless the Lord and Father and curse human beings made in God's likeness. Blessing and cursing come from the same mouth. My brothers and sisters, it just shouldn't be this way! Both fresh water and salt water don't come from the same spring, do they? My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree produce olives? Can a grapevine produce figs? Of course not, and fresh water doesn't flow from a saltwater spring either.

Jesus predicts his death

Mark 8:27-38 (CEB)

Jesus and his disciples went into the villages near Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They told him, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, and still others one of the prophets." He asked them, "And what about you? Who do you say that I am?"

Peter answered, "You are the Christ." Jesus ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then Jesus began to teach his disciples: "The Human One^[a] must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and the legal experts, and be killed, and then, after three days, rise from the dead." He said this plainly. But Peter took hold of Jesus and, scolding him, began to correct him. Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, then sternly corrected Peter: "Get behind me, Satan. You are not thinking God's thoughts but human thoughts." After calling the crowd together with his disciples, Jesus said to them, "All who want to come after me must say no to themselves, take up their cross, and follow me. All who want to save their lives will lose them. But all who lose their lives because of me and because of the good news will save them. Why would people gain the whole world but lose their lives? What will people give in exchange for their lives? Whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this unfaithful and sinful generation, the Human One^[b] will be ashamed of that person when he comes in the Father's glory with the holy angels."

Hymns for Sunday September 16

How Great Thou Art

UHM 77

The Gift of Love

UHM 408

Early Family Service Scripture Sunday September 16

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Sermon Title for Sunday September 16

Progress and Sacrifice