THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Monday, Sept 15: Psalm 2; Jeremiah 18:12-23; 1 Timothy 3:14-4:5;

Tuesday, Sept 16: Psalm 2; Jeremiah 19:1-15; 1 Timothy 4:6-16;

Wednesday, Sept 17: Psalm 2; Jeremiah 20:1-18; Luke 18:18-30;

Thursday, Sept 18: Psalm 14; Jeremiah 13:20-27; 1 Timothy 1:1-11;

Friday, Sept 19: Psalm 14; Jeremiah 4:1-10; 2 Peter 2:1-10a;

Saturday, Sept 20: Psalm 14; Jeremiah 4:13-21, 29-31; John 10:11-21;

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

How are you a lost sheep, in need of someone to come and search for you? How are you a religious leader, grumbling at the community's disintegrating standards? How are you called to engage in the search for others who live in isolation from God and community?

MORNING PRAYER

Persistent God,

as the day begins and the light increases, let me drink deeply of your grace. As the day unfolds, when my heart strays from you, call me back to this moment.

Come after me as surely as a woman searches for treasure lost.

If I am deaf and satisfied, if I resent the needs of others, blow strong against me. Do not leave me in my foolishness—for I would have your mercy flow from me: I would be a refuge for those who wander; I would lend my heart to celebrations; I would speak your name. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER

Patient, persistent God,

I offer the day-that-has-been to you, knowing that I was not alone, even when I wandered and filled my heart with noise. [silent prayer]

As darkness falls, as I yield to sleep, seek me again in my dreams. Call to me in ways beyond my knowing that I might find the strength to feed your people, that I might live, again, to call your name, that I might know the joy of every stranger headed home.

For the mercy of the Christ will sustain me and the power of the Spirit send me 8 forth. Amen.



Proper 19

September 14, 2025

Please take the opportunity to fill out the Prayer and Gratitude Card, along with a Connection Card.

You'll be invited to place them in the offering tray later in the service.

Prelude Jill Dombrowski

ENTRANCE

Choral Introit

"O Day of God, Draw Nigh"

Gobin Grace Notes Rev. Bryan Langdoc

Welcome

Call to Worship

We come seeking refuge in a world where goodness and good news can feel far away.

God is our hope and our refuge.

We come searching for safety in a world that often calls foolishness wisdom and wisdom foolishness.

God is our hope and our refuge.

We come longing for rest in a world that bombards us with all the ways people work against the abundant life and flourishing of their neighbors.

God is our hope and our refuge.

Come, children of God, to find refuge and hope in God who delivers and restores

May God teach us and guide us to find refuge and be refuge with and for our neighbors today and every day.

Prayer of the Day

UMH #400

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination

John Mark Day

First Reading

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

After the Reading, the Reader says
The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 14

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."

They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds, there is none that does good.

The Lord looks down from heaven on all people, to see if there are any that are wise, who seek after God.

They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse; there is none that does good, no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call upon the Lord?

There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the generation of the righteous.

You would confound the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge.

O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the Lord restores their fortunes, Jacob shall rejoice and Israel shall be glad!

Gospel Lesson

Luke 15:1-10

Silence follows. Then the People stand as they are able.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Pastor says
The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Bryan Langdoc

SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

Gobin Bells

New ringers welcome and no experience necessary! Sundays at 4pm in the Gobin basement

Gobin Grace Notes

Calling all singers!

Rehearsals on Thursdays at Gobin - time TBD

INDIANA AID

Indiana AID (Assistance to Immigrants in Detention) is a volunteer group that supports individuals detained by ICE in Indiana by bearing witness to their experiences through visits, offering information, and providing resources to them and their families.

https://www.indianaaid.org/volunteer

STAY CONNECTED

Want to receive our weekly email updates? Sign up here: www.gobin.live/email

Stay in the loop

Print communication is important. Email can sometimes be even better. And occasionally a quick text message is best! If you'd like to stay "in the loop" and receive text updates about all things Gobin, text the word "loop" to (765)650-4644. Make sure to save this number as "Gobin Church"!

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If you or someone you know is ill, injured, or otherwise in need of prayer or visitation, please fill out a prayer card, or let the pastoral staff or church office know. Jai will work to keep us connected.

Here are members of our Gobin connection who need prayer & comfort at this time:

Bayard Allen, Margot MacCracken, Linda Ruark, Brandie Sitton, Andrea Insley, Ashlee Vitz, Sandy Miller, Katie Isaacs-Bailey, Jim & Windy Watt, Phillip Caldwell, Luke & Sherry DeJaynes, Mitch & Lindsay Merica, Larry Rider, Ann Hansen, Leland Zellers, Kids Hope mentors & students, Marcia Linville, Valryian residents, Martinez family, ICE detainees in the Clay Co Detention Center, and the residents of Putnam Co. Jail.

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please fill out a prayer request card or send an email to *prayers@gobinumc.org*

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

You may have noticed the votive candles near the entrance to the sanctuary. We invite you to take one and join Wednesday morning prayer from 7:45-8am wherever you are. If you wish to have a candle, but are not able to come to the church, contact us and we will arrange to have someone bring it to you.

WAYS TO GIVE

- Make checks payable to Gobin Church
- Text "Gobin" to 73256
- Online at www.gobin.live/give
- Scan the QR code



Prayers of Concern

Pastor Alisa Isaacs-Bailey

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

Confession & Pardon

Pastor Joel Everson

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church

We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Passing the Peace Offering Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God, above ye Heavenly Host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Offering Prayer Invitation The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Communion Song The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

UMH #368

"My Hope Is Built"

SENDING FORTH

Charge

Blessing

Postlude

WELCOME TO GOBIN!

Gobin is a place where you can belong, grow, and make a difference. As we enter a new season of ministry, we're inviting everyone — especially first-year students and new guests — to discover a team or group where your gifts and passions can come alive. Each team is part of the heartbeat of Gobin's life together, and there's a place for you. Indicate your top two or three areas of interest, and we'll be in touch!

** Radical Hospitality Team – Creates a warm and welcoming environment, from greeting newcomers to enhancing fellowship opportunities.

Passionate Worship Team − Supports and enriches our worship experiences through music, liturgy, and creative expressions of praise.

☐ Intentional Faith Development Team – Engages all ages in small groups, prayer practices, Bible studies, and discipleship programs to help our congregation grow spiritually.

♥ Risk-Taking Mission & Service Team – Leads outreach efforts to serve our community and beyond, engaging in hands-on ministry to those in need.

Extravagant Generosity Team – Encourages faithful giving and stewardship, supporting the financial and resource needs of our ministries.

Facilities & Grounds Team – Works together to care for the needs of our beloved church building and grounds.

Music Ensemble – All vocalists and instrumentalists are invited to join one of the music teams for the Mosaic worship service.

Gobin Grace Notes – Our sanctuary choir, providing vocal leadership and choral parts for the Beginnings worship service.

College Small Group − Gathers peers with a trusted facilitator to ask, "How is it with your soul?" and share life together.

→ No experience is necessary — just bring yourself!

To sign up scan the QR code or visit this link: www.gobin.live/serve

