THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Monday, Sept 22: Psalm 106:40-48; Jeremiah 9:12-26; Acts 4:1-12;
Tuesday, Sept 23: Psalm 106:40-48; Jeremiah 10:1-16; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23;
Wednesday, Sept 24: Psalm 106:40-48; Jeremiah 10:17-25; Luke 20:45-21:4;
Thursday, Sept 25: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 23:9-22; 2 Corinthians 8:8-15;
Friday, Sept 26: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 23:23-32; Ephesians 2:1-10;
Saturday, Sept 27: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 24:1-10; Luke 9:43b-48;

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

How do we, individually and corporately, embody both lament for the world and the hope that is in Christ?

MORNING PRAYER

In this moment of stillness before I dress in the claims of the day, let me stand bare before you with questions unanswered...

Fill the silence with your nearness, that I may hear you speak your word and live this day for you. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER

Source of my life,
this day I was not promised now is ending.
I thank you for the grace it was, noticed and unnoticed.
I lay before you all that I saw.
[Let your day replay in memory.]
I trust to you all that I failed to see.
[Let God bring to mind whatever God might.]
In the gift of the gathering darkness brood over your creation again, and restore your image in me,
that I might bear both your grief and your joy in the world; for I pray in the name of Jesus, whose service was love. Amen.



Proper 20

September 21, 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 Veronica Pejril

ENTRANCE

Choral Introit
Welcome
Call to Worship

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Gobin Grace Notes Rev. Bryan Langdoc

Come and be in awe at the altar of life Come and find your place in the whole of things Come and join your kin at the table of god

We seek paths of flourishing, for us and for all

For the planet and for the people

For the children of the future

For the saints of the past

God turns us from what deadens and destroys

The Spirit of Life is here! Let us open our hearts

Prayer of the Day

UMH #435 "O God of Every Nation"

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination

Julia Bruggemann

First Reading

Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm Chant



- I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord; the lowly will hear me and be glad.
- The Lord confronts the evildoers, to destroy remembrance of them from the earth. When the just cry out, the Lord hears them, and from all their distress rescues them.
- The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves. The Lord redeems the lives of his servants; no one incurs guilt who takes refuge in him.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 16:1-13

Pastor Alisa Isaacs-Bailey

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
Prayers of Concern

Rev. Bryan Langdoc Pastor Jai Miranda

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Stay connected with other college students by joining the new Gobin College Student GroupMe. Scan the QR code to join.



SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

Gobin Bells

New ringers welcome and no experience necessary! Sundays at 7 pm in the Gobin basement

Gobin Grace Notes

Calling all singers!

Rehearsals on Thursdays at Gobin - time TBD

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



THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

Confession & Pardon

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 Offertory 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 #437

"This Is My Song, O God"

SENDING FORTH

Charge & Blessing

Postlude

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

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

