

(September 6 – October 17)

***GREAT WORDS OF THE BIBLE, Part 1
Life, Light, Mercy, Praise, Righteousness and Forgiveness***



Share
highs and lows



Read
a Bible verse or story



Talk
about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows



Pray
for one another's highs and lows



Bless
one another

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Having completed our three-part series on God's Indispensable Church, for the rest of the Pentecost season we will direct our devotion to twelve great words of the Bible. Emily Dickinson once wrote: ***"I know nothing in the world that has as much power as a word. Sometimes I write one, and I look at it until it begins to shine."*** Let these Biblical words shine into your life to inspire your faith and inform your living. The text of the hymn, God's Word is our Great Heritage, reminds us of the importance of God's Word for us, for the Church, for the world, for all time. Here it is, plus some information about its author as an example of how God's Word shapes people and even nations.

*God's Word is our great heritage, And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age, Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way; In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant while time shall last, Your Church may hold it fast, throughout all generations.*

This one-verse hymn is in our hymnal and sung to the same tune as A Mighty Fortress. Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783-1872, wrote it along with 152 other hymns. N.F.S. Grundtvig was a Danish Lutheran pastor, author, poet, philosopher, historian, teacher and politician. He was one of the most influential people in Danish history. His philosophy, steeped in Danish literature and supported by deep spirituality, was very influential in the formulation of modern Danish national consciousness. He was a contemporary of Hans Christian Andersen and Søren Kierkegaard.

The DEVOS are on the other side! >>> and still include Sunday gospel readings on Saturdays. They are for adults, youth, children & families alike. They are also available on the website. And I will continue to post daily verses and a short comment about each on **the Christ Lutheran Church Facebook page** (facebook.com/christlutheranchurchdubois). This is also available in a daily e-mail. To join this group simply email me and ask - pastorsmiller12@gmail.com.

I encourage families with really little ones to read their favorite stories from the "READ with ME BIBLE" and/or other books about the Bible and faith. Your goal - to share the stories of the Bible from the time your little ones can sit on your laps to listen. If your family needs a "Read with Me Bible" please see me!

May your devotions be fruitful and your days blessed.

Peace+, Pastor Amy