



Church of the Ascension

Sermon Discussion Questions
for Sunday, October 15, 2023 on
"Stewarding Our Work"

READ: Genesis 2:4-17; Psalm 65; Eph 2:8-10; and Matt 22:33-40

DISCUSS

- Have you ever had a job that you really loved? What was so fulfilling and life-giving about it?
- The Scriptures emphasize that God is a worker and humans, being made in God's image, are workers as well. How do you feel about that? Is that exciting or depressing?
- Consider the original human job description (Gen 2:15). Fr. Kevin described this command "to work" and "to take care of" the garden as having spiritual significance. Have you ever thought about your work having spiritual significance? If so, what has this looked like?
- Our work is one of the primary ways we love God and love our neighbor (Matt 22:33-40). Do you think about your work in this way? If so, how does this shape how you do your work? If not, how might you engage your work differently if you saw your work like this?
- As you think about a Christian understanding of work, what are some ways this might contrast with a secular understanding of work?

PRAY

Pray for Church of the Ascension that we would understand the meaning and significance of our work. Pray for your community group, especially for those looking for work and those experiencing significant challenges at work. Give thanks for the work that God has given each of us to do and ask for wisdom, creativity, and endurance to do that good work well.

DO

Spend time reflecting and answering these two questions: 1) What is the work God has given me to do? 2) What does it look like to do this work well?