## **INSPIRING WORSHIP ALL WEEK**

K E Y	"No father Abraham" he said, "but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent." He said to him "If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."
	Luke 16:30-31
R E A D L N G S	Preparing for Sunday, September 28 <sup>th</sup>
	Day 1— Amos 6:1a, 4-7
	Day 2— Psalm 146
	Day 3— 1 Timothy 6:6-19
	Day 4— Luke 16:19-31
	Day 5— Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15
	Day 6— Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
	*Sunday readings in bold.
A P P L Y	The story that Jesus tells us this week from Luke reads a bit like the story of Ebenezer Scrooge in "A Christmas Carol" only with a much darker ending. The rich man doesn't repent, and both he and the poor crippled person die. For the rich man in this story, it's not his wealth alone that causes his destruction, but his failure to act generously toward the man lying outside his home every day. With wealth comes great responsibility. It's too late for the rich man and his family, but what about us? Jesus is inviting us to examine our own life choices and to share what we have in the limited time we have, so others can flourish. How will we respond?
P R A Y E R	O God, we pray for your church on earth, that it will remain faithful to the gospel, and always seek to serve the needs of the poor and oppressed, rejecting the complacency that can come from wealth. Amen.