ELCA High School Summer Assignments 2024

Rising 9th Graders

The Time Keeper by Mitch Albom. Publisher: Hachette Books ISBN-13: 978-1401312855

Students are asked to get a hard copy of this book to read this summer and annotate. Class discussion and a written assessment will take place during the first week of school.

We will be reading this book this summer and looking for a) the ways that characters make choices that they know to be sinful/wrong and b) ways that characters find God's Grace. To prepare you for class discussion and a paper when we return to school, please complete the following steps as you read:

- 1. On the inside front cover of your text, make a list of characters and their traits each time a character is introduced. Add observations with a parenthetical page number as you read.
- 2. At the end of each chapter, record a one-to-two sentence summary.
- 3. Go back to the top of the chapter and give the chapter your own title. Ex: "When A meets B."
- 4. If a biblical verse or precept comes to mind while reading the chapter, record it under your new chapter title.