

## ELCA High School Summer Assignments 2020

### Rising 9<sup>th</sup> 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.