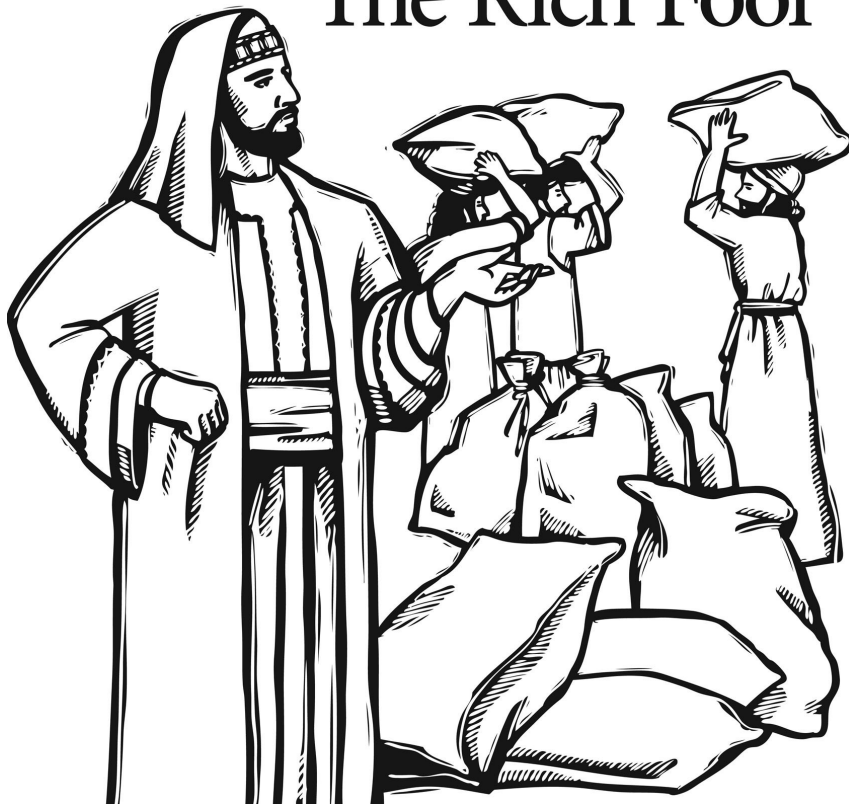


EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JULY 31, 2022

The Rich Fool



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"Being Transformed By God's Grace To Love And Serve."

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If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

please stand in body or spirit

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, **we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

#705

Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

"Glory to God"

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12 - 14; 2:18 - 23

²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. ^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ¹⁹—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 49:1-12

¹Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

²**you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.**

³My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

⁴**I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

⁵Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

⁶**the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?**

⁷One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

⁸**for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,**

⁹in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

¹⁰**For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

¹¹Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.

¹²**Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.**

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1 - 11

¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon

Pastor Kim Knowle-Zeller

please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

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Gospel

Luke 12:13 - 21

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 12th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord**

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?'

¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

please be seated

Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

please stand in body or spirit

Hymn of the Day

"All Depends on Our Possessing"

#589

Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

please be seated

Offering

please stand in body or spirit

Offertory

"Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

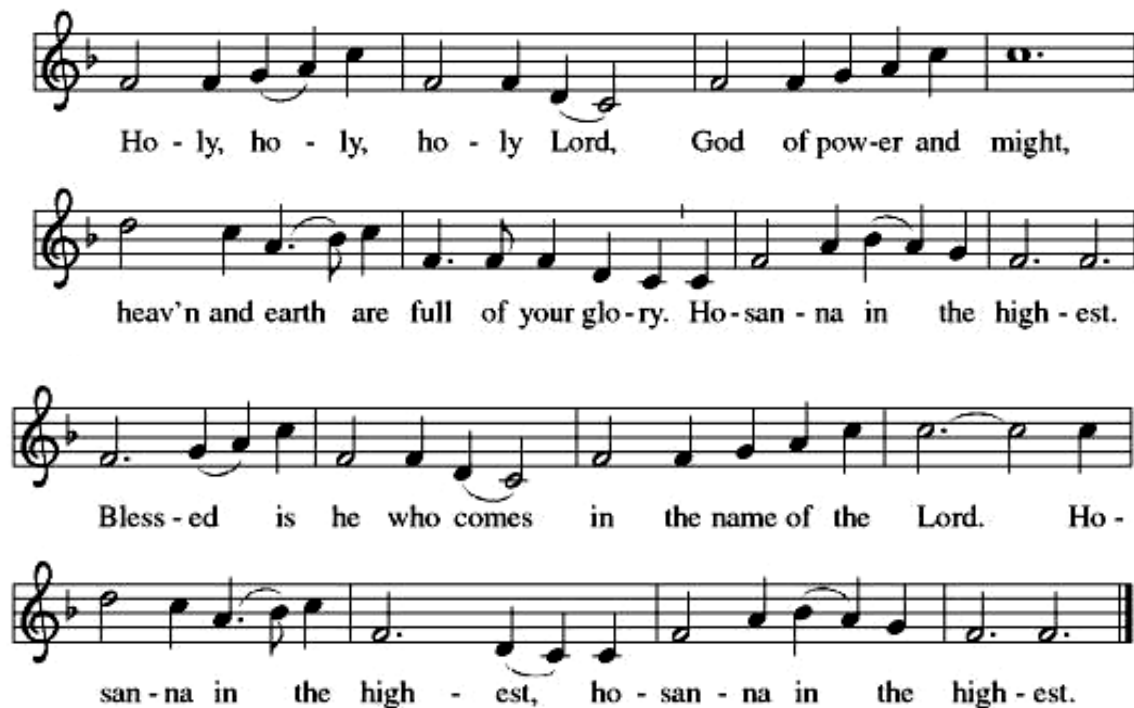
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words Of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray.....**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

by Stations

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.
Red wine or white grape juice is available.

please be seated

Communion Hymns

"One Bread, One Body"

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"O Living Bread from Heaven"

#542

please stand in body or spirit

Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

Blessing

The God of peace, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"Take My Life, That I May Be"

#685

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

"GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE"



Welcome: Welcome to worship this midsummer day! May faith and hope grow in you, as crops and flowers and fruits ripen all around us these days.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Dave Ramel, Joann Brauer, Glen Webb and Kyle Luetjen.



Kiley Simon (friend of Jenna Nash), Dorothy Schroder (friend of Debbie Vaughan), Esther Schlesselman, Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman), Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan), Sharon Stelling, Rebecca Heimsoth (friend of Norma Schlesselman), Gerald Goodson (uncle of Melisa Balke), Shirley Boose (mother of Melisa Balke), Dieter Knowle (brother of Kim Knowle-Zeller), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin & Ruth Lackas (sister & brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Reagan Phillips, Bill Hampton, Alex Stevens (friend of Tina Ives), Jeffery Jones (son of Bonnie Bohling) and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Luella Viebrock, Marie Viebrock, Florence VonHolten & Cecelia Wiedemann: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, Cpt. Joseph Strathman, Sgt. Russell J. Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann) and Cpt. Wayne Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann).



With Sympathy: We also pray for those families who have lost loved ones; family and friends of Tyler, Sarah and Lula Schmidt. Survived by son Arlo.

Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.



Undies Sunday: Once again, the annual "Undies Sunday" will collect new undergarments for children to be distributed at the clothing drive. Please bring those donations to church during worship **today**.



Cookies: We are looking for cookie bakers for VBS. (No peanut butter, please) Please deliver cookies marked "VBS " to the church basement between Sunday **July 31st** and **August 2nd**.

Vacation Bible School: A Rocky Railway Adventure at this year's VBS, where we will climb aboard our very own train to experience how *Jesus' power pulls us through*. VBS will be on Monday, **August 1st** – Friday, **August 5th**, from 6:00-8:30 pm. Invite a friend to what will surely be an awesome adventure!



"One Stitch At A Time": The Sewing Group will not meet on Monday, **August 1st**.

Combine Float: The Combine Float is moving along (**29 days to go**). We have had 8-12 ladies pleating and fluffing like crazy. There are flowers that can be picked up in the Gathering Space. Anyone wanting flowers delivered, please contact Melisa Balke or Susan Goosen. The construction crew is making plans to start construction and any help would be appreciated. Construction work time will be announced shortly. Pleaters and Fluffers are meeting in the Chapel (*this week*) on **Monday** and **Tuesday** evening; beginning at 5:00 p.m. Come and join some good fellowship!



Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **August 4th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.

Back-To-School Sale: Thanks to the work of the Church Alliance their annual Back-to-School Clothing Sale will be Saturday, **August 6th**, from 9:00am until 1:00pm here at St. Paul's. Volunteers are needed to help sort clothing on August 4th and 5th, and help at the sale on August 6th.





Outdoor Worship Service: Our worship service on Sunday, **August 14th**, at 10:00 am will take place outdoors! We will gather for worship at the Lake Creek Camp Meeting pavilion, which is behind Lake Creek United Methodist Church, 33074 Lake Creek Rd, Smithton. Since we are under a pavilion we can worship there in the event of light rain, but a major storm will send us back to indoor worship in our Sanctuary. There will be plenty of parking. Walking to the pavilion is on grass, but we will have a golf cart available to give any rides as needed. There are wooden benches with backs for seating but you are welcome to bring along a folding chair if you would prefer. We look forward to this opportunity to worship outdoors as we near the start of another school year!

Circle: The Esther Circle will **not** meet during the months of July and August.



Sunday School Teachers: Part of our work in nurturing young families and raising disciples is teaching our children and youth the Christian faith. We are fortunate to be able to do that through our Sunday School program. Can you help our Sunday School ministry by being a teacher this year? Teachers will rotate throughout the year so that you aren't teaching every week, but we need your help to do so! If you're interested or have questions please speak with Pastor Stephen or someone on the Parish Education committee. Thank you!

~ * ~ IN OUR COMMUNITY ~ * ~

Family Fun Day: The Cole Camp Swimming Pool is hosting a Family Fun Day **today**, from 4-6 pm. It begins with the cardboard boat races at 4:00, and continues with more contests, games, food, and prizes. Check out the pool's Facebook page for more information.



Support Group: Are you a caregiver? There is a support group for you. Every Tuesday at 10:00am at the Cole Camp Senior Center.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, July 31:	10:00am	Worship Holy Communion by Stations Undies Sunday
Monday, August 1:	NO 5:00pm 6:00pm	Sewing Float Work VBS
Tuesday, August 2:	5:00pm 6:00pm	Float Work VBS
Wednesday, August 3:	5:00pm 6:00pm	Float Work VBS
Thursday, August 4:	8:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	BCHD Clothing Sale Set Up VBS
Friday, August 5:	9:00am 6:00pm	Clothing Sale Set Up VBS
Saturday, August 6:	9:00am 5:30pm	Back-To-School Sale Casual Worship Service
Sunday, August 7:	10:00am	Worship Holy Communion by Stations



~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~

August 14 Outdoor Worship Service

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist Lois Viebrock
Pianist Jeannette VonHolten
Altar Guild Melisa Balke & Joyce Schlesselmann



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 31, 2022

Assisting Minister Darin Oelrichs
Communion Assistant Tara Anderson & Erin Oelrichs
Children's Sermon Pastor Kim Knowle-Zeller
Reader Susan Kyle
Acolytes Logan Jackson & Jace Tinney
Flowers Melisa Balke
Ushers Kelly Viebrock, Assistant Head Usher
..... Jim Gumbel, Mark Oelrichs, Justin Tinney & Bruce Wienberg



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost ~ August 7, 2022

Assisting Minister Anne Goosen
Communion Assistant Virgil & Diann Holsten
Children's Sermon Pastor Stephen Zeller
Reader Vacation Bible School Children
Acolytes Ben Goosen & Kaylan Poe
Flowers Ellen Harms
Ushers Greg Bredehoeft, Head Usher
..... Melisa Balke, Eric Kullman, John Oelrichs, Ryan Schlesselman