

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ AUGUST 28, 2022



All who  
**EXALT** themselves  
will be **HUMBLED**,  
and all who  
**HUMBLE** themselves  
will be **EXALTED**.

Matthew 23:12

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**P.O. Box 250 \* 205 West Jefferson Street**  
**Cole Camp, MO 65325**

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

Office ..... 668 - 3537  
Fellowship Hall/Basement ..... 668 - 3446  
Pastor's Home ..... 668 - 0881  
Email ..... [office@stpauls.me](mailto:office@stpauls.me)  
Website ..... [www.stpauls.me](http://www.stpauls.me)  
Facebook ..... [www.facebook.com/stpaulscolecamp](http://www.facebook.com/stpaulscolecamp)  
YouTube ..... [www.youtube.com/stpaulscolecamp](http://www.youtube.com/stpaulscolecamp)



*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

"Gather Us In"

#532

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 be to God"

page 204

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*please be seated*

First Reading

Proverbs 25:6 - 7

<sup>6</sup>Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great;  
<sup>7</sup>for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

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

Psalm 112

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

<sup>2</sup>**Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

<sup>4</sup>**Light shines in the darkness for the upright the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

<sup>6</sup>**For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

<sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

<sup>10</sup>**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 13:1 - 8, 15 - 16

<sup>1</sup>Let mutual love continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and

adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" <sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>15</sup>Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup>Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

Children's Sermon

Joyce Schlesselmann

*please stand in body or spirit*  
Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

page 205

Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 14th chapter.     **Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. <sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." <sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

"Now We Join in Celebration"

#462

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"

#204

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.**



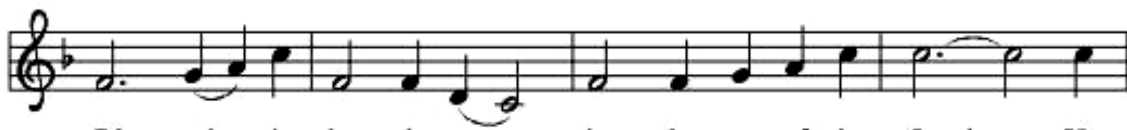
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.**

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

"Around You, O Lord Jesus"

#468

"As We Gather at Your Table"

#522

*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

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

#547

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**Thanks be to God.**

# "GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE"



**Welcome:** I invite you to lay before God all cares and concerns and enter into worship, trusting him for all you need today. Welcome.

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

**In Our Prayers:** "Unspoken prayer concerns", Lois Barr, Joann Brauer, Glen Webb and Kyle Luetjen.



Jeremiah Crider, Lyle Browning, 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), 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*. Irene Viebrock: *Homebound*.

**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 Sharon Stelling and John Hercules (family of Sally Viebrock).

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

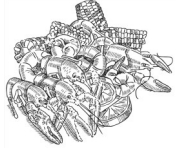






**Acolyte Instruction:** "Acolyte" is an ancient word that means "helper." In our worship services acolytes help out by lighting candles and helping in other ways. Acolytes at St. Paul's usually begin in the 4th grade, so if you would like to help out in this way join Pastor Stephen after worship **today**, for a brief training session.

**Young Adult Bible Study:** The young adults of the congregation are invited to a summer Shrimp Boil **today** at 6:00 pm in the parsonage yard. The main course will be provided. You are invited to bring a side to share, your drinks, and lawn chairs. Children are also invited.



**"One Stitch At A Time":** The Sewing Group will meet on Monday, **August 29th** in the church basement at 9:00am.

**Health Care:** The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **September 1st** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.



**LBPS:** On Sunday, **September 11th** the Little Blessings Preschool will have their orientation in the church basement at 6:00pm. They will begin their year on Tuesday, September 13th. We are thankful for all those who work so hard to allow us to offer this to our "Little Blessings".

Little Blessing Preschool is now accepting students for the 2022-2023 school year. If you have or know of someone that turned 3 or 4 by July 31, 2022, we have a couple of openings. Please call 660-668-3823.

We are also in need of a helper. The pay is limited but the rewards are great. The hours are Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 8:00am until 11:30am. Our year begins on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 and runs through Wednesday, May 24, 2023. If you are interested, please call Rhonda Schlesselman at 660-668-3823 right away.

**Christian Education:** Mark your calendars for a new year of Sunday School which will begin on Sunday, **September 18th!**





**Senior Sunday:** On Sunday, **September 18th** we will be celebrating Senior Sunday. This is in recognition of all our members who have at least reached their 75th birthday. We will be celebrating during service and then immediately afterwards there will be a carry in lunch. The meat, potatoes and drinks will be provided. We are asking everyone (**except the honored guests**) to bring a couple of side dishes such as salads, vegetables and/or deserts. We hope everyone will be able to attend.

~ \* ~ **IN OUR COMMUNITY** ~ \* ~

**Ice Cream Social:** Ice Cream Social by the American Legion Family, **today** from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at the American Legion building. Serving will be upstairs, 50% of proceeds will be given to assist in supplying ice cream to the residents of the VA Home in Warrensburg. Menu consists of ice cream, pie or cake, and grilled chili dogs. Music will be provided by Fred Kennedy. Freewill donation with financial support from Thrivent Financial and proceeds to be used for American Legion programs.



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



~ \* ~ **Coming Events** ~ \* ~

- September 4 ..... Set Up Fair Stand
- September 8, 9 & 10 ..... Cole Camp Fair
- September 11 ..... Take Down Fair Stand
- September 11 ..... Little Blessings Pre-School Orientation
- September 18 ..... Senior Sunday

# COLE CAMP FAIR



**Sign Up Sheet:** The Fair Stand Schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the link. If you are unable to work the hours listed, please feel free to write in hours that fit your time or abilities. And a reminder to **all** active Luther League members; you are to sign up for two shifts. Thanks to all who have already signed up. Thank you!

**Fair Stand:** The food stand will be put up on Sunday, **September 4th** at 1:00pm and taken down on Sunday, **September 11th** at 1:00pm.



**Combine Float:** The Combine Float is moving along. There is a construction crew working in the shed and the pleaters and fluffers are meeting in the basement on **Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday** evening; beginning at 5:00 p.m. Come and join some good fellowship!

**Fair Pies:** Each family is asked to bring two fruit pies according to the following schedule, divided alphabetically by last names. There are pie tins available for your use in the gathering space.

Thursday, September 8th ..... A - C  
Friday, September 9th ..... D - M  
Saturday, September 10th ..... N - Z



If anyone would like to order pies we will be making pies and delivering as usual. The cost will be \$11.00 for fruit and \$13.00 for pecan. We will take orders thru **September 5th** (so please order as we don't plan to make extra as the church women always did). Call/text Tammy Thompson at 660-287-0360 or mail check with order info (name to go on pie(s), which day you would like them delivered, and church name) to 26744 Seven Hills Road.

## Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

**Ministers** ..... The Whole Congregation  
**Presiding Minister** ..... Pastor Stephen Zeller  
**Organist** ..... Lois Viebrock  
**Pianist** ..... Jeannette VonHolten



### Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost ~ August 28, 2022

**Assisting Minister** ..... Tom Oelrichs  
**Communion Assistant** ..... Glenalee Dillon & Vickie Fox  
**Reader** ..... Dennis Moellmann  
**Children's Sermon** ..... Joyce Schlesselmann  
**Acolytes** ..... Logan Jackson & Kaylan Poe  
**Altar Flowers** ..... Kathy Oelrichs  
**Altar Guild** ..... Melisa Balke & Joyce Schlesselmann  
**Ushers** ..... Greg Bredehoeft, Head Usher  
..... Melisa Balke, Eric Kullman, John Oelrichs, Ryan Schlesselman



### Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ September 3, 2022

**Assisting Minister** ..... Darin Oelrichs  
**Communion Assistant** ..... At the Altar  
**Reader** ..... Rhonda Schlesselman  
**Children's Sermon** ..... Pastor Stephen Zeller  
**Acolytes** ..... Grady Elliott & Jace Tinney  
**Altar Flowers** ..... Arlene Schlesselman  
**Altar Guild** ..... Susan Goosen & Debbie Vaughan  
**Ushers** ..... Kelly Viebrock, Assistant Head Usher  
..... Jim Gumbel, Mark Oelrichs, Justin Tinney & Bruce Wienberg