

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



LUKE 2:1-20 AND LUKE 12:13-21

“PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL”

*Do not be confused by things that don't last
but trust in the LORD who alone is forever and provides daily bread.*

8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.
* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

Psalm 122:1; Psalm 127:1; Genesis 28:16-17

P: We gather together in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: I was glad when they said unto me,

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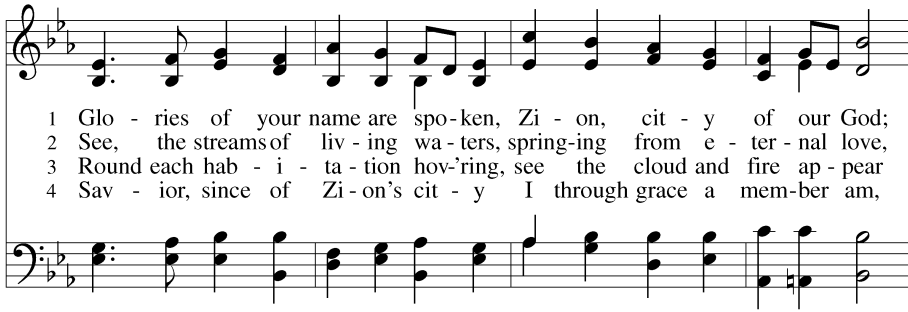
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P: Surely the Lord is in this place.

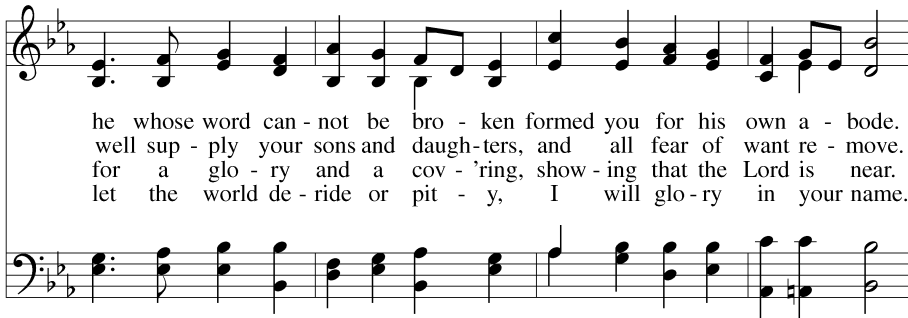
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P: Oh, come let us worship!

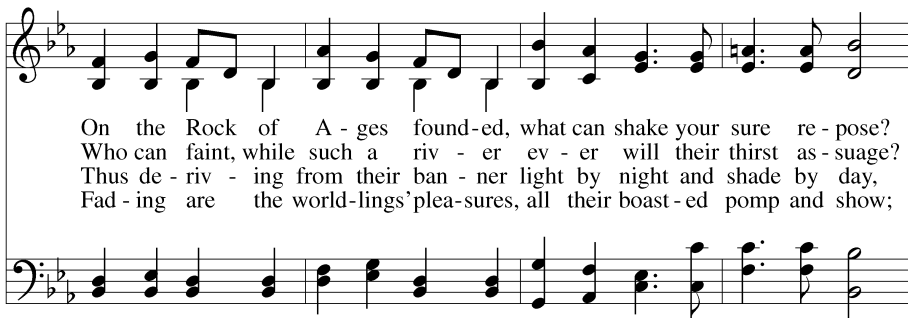
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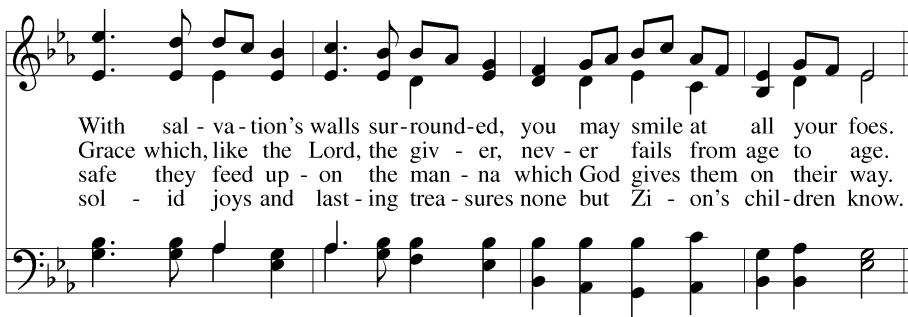
1 Glo - ries of your name are spo-ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
 2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring-ing from e - ter - nal love,
 3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov'-ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem-ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his own a - bode.
 well sup - ply your sons and daugh-ters, and all fear of want re - move.
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found-ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?
 Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Fad - ing are the world-lings' plea-sures, all their boast-ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur-round-ed, you may smile at all your foes.
 Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil-dren know.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: 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.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children who want to come forward for the Children's Message at the front of the church are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!

FIRST LESSON

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

The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a "vanity of vanities." Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one's work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.

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.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 47 (LBW)

- ¹Clap your hands, ¹ all you peoples;
shout to God with a ¹ cry of joy.
- ²For the LORD Most High is ¹ to be feared;
he is the great king over ¹ all the earth.
- ³He subdues the ¹ peoples under us,
and the nations un- ¹ der our feet.
- ⁴He chooses our inheri- ¹ tance for us,
the pride of Jacob ¹ whom he loves.
- ⁵God has gone up ¹ with a shout,
the LORD with the sound ¹ of the ram's horn.
- ⁶Sing praises to ¹ God, sing praises;
sing praises to our ¹ king, sing praises.
- ⁷For God is King of ¹ all the earth;
sing praises with ¹ all your skill.
- ⁸God reigns o- ¹ ver the nations;
God sits upon his ¹ holy throne.
- ⁹The nobles of the peoples have gath- ¹ ered together
with the people of the ¹ God of Abraham.
- ¹⁰The rulers of the earth be- ¹ long to God,
and he is high- ¹ ly exalted.

GLORIA PATRI

(In Unison)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

LUKE 2:1-20

¹In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

⁸In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰**But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the**

city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson and Bible in a Year readings from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. Claim the gift for yourself!

*Creation : Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: Kings and Prophets : Exile :
Restoration : 2nd Temple : + **JESUS** : Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 1:1, Luke 24:32



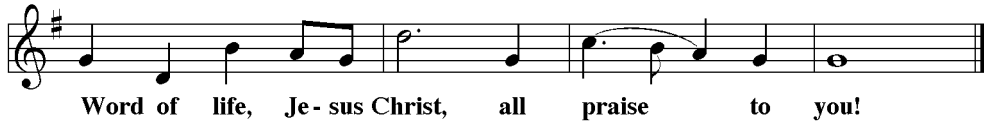
☞ Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!



Our hearts burn with - in us while you o- pen to us the Scrip- tures.

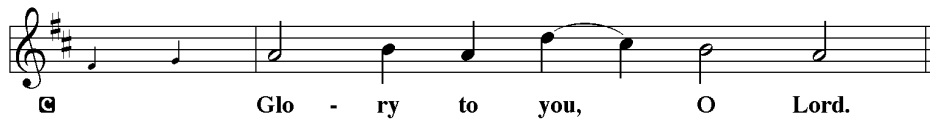


***GOSPEL**

LUKE 12:13-21

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

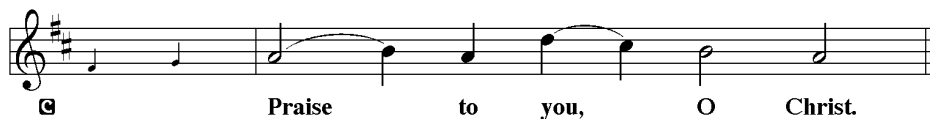
Response after the announcement:



In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God.

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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



On the Birth of the Messiah

Contemplating the Parable of the Rich Fool

The Law is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: Worldly stuff. What is truly important, right?

The Gospel is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Jesus invites us to become truly rich towards our heavenly Father, breath by breath, day by day, now and forever.

So What? Live in this moment given us. Set your mind on the things that are above: your walk with God, love of family and friends, sacred song, the good creation, sharing the good news of Jesus with all, etc.

*HYMN OF THE DAY

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

ELW #623

1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands;
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
 could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 Na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to thee for grace;
 when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and

sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body

and the life + everlasting. Amen.

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. *2 Corinthians 13:11*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

ANTHEM

“My Lord, What a Morning”

CHANCEL CHOIR

arr. Robert Benson

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My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning;
Oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning;
Oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand; when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning;
Oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning;
Oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear the sinner cry to wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning;
Oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand, to my God's right hand,
When the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a morning; My Lord what a morning;
Oh, my Lord, what morning, when the stars begin to fall.

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach 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.**

SENDING

***THE BLESSING**

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
 2 Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;
 3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets
 4 Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear be dry;

join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with
 but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of the
 be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the
 we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Im -

sweet ac - cord and thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur - round the throne.
 heav'n - ly King may tell their joys a - broad, may tell their joys a - broad.
 heav'n - ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets, or walk the gold - en streets.
 man - uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.

Refrain

We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on:

we're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Terry & Trish Ratchford in honor of their grandchildren, Alex & Olivia Berghello.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Kim Rundzieher
Organist.....	Lisa Burch
Music Director	Roger Myers
Music Director	Jeanette Myers
Acolyte.....	Cameron Bell
Crucifer	Bram Comer
Lector	Josh Carpenter
Assistant Minister	Sylvia Fogle
Head Ushers.....	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman



PARISH NEWS

Congregational Sympathy for Rick Falls at the death of his father, Otis Falls.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR ROGER & JEANETTE MYERS: For over four decades, Roger and Jeanette have served Lutheran Chapel as our leaders of sacred music, choirs, and instrumental music. They have been a force for the good among us and shared their love of God doing so much among us to the glory of God alone (soli Deo gloria)! *Please join us for a reception immediately following this morning's worship to honor and thank them for their service.*

CLOTHES CLOSET GIVEAWAY: The Outreach Committee will be hosting a Clothing Giveaway on **Saturday, August 6**. Set-up begins at 8am. Breakfast, snacks, and drinks will be provided for volunteers. Please prayerfully consider helping us in this service to our community.

OWLS: Wake up OWLS! We will be going for breakfast at Cracker Barrel on Remount Road for our next gathering. We hope you'll join us on **Thursday, August 18 at 8:00am**.

"THE HUT": Parents and volunteers are making a plan and working a plan towards updating our old Scout/Prayer Hut to become **The Hut** for youth and children ministries among us. More information will be forthcoming as this space is used for renewed ministries among us.



Blessing of the Backpacks

August 7

10:00 Worship Service

All school age youth should
bring their backpacks to worship.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: B.T. Bradley, Todd Carpenter, Larry Collins, Kathy Finch, Paulette Hale, Pr. Peter & Nancy Homovich, Betty Petty, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bettina Royston, **Joe Veale**, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Harry & Fran Angstadt, Sam Bell, Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, **Carol Bridges**, Sherry Cantrell, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Tucker Doyne, Baby Eli, Brooke Ensley, Craig Evanoff, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Ann Gaddy, **family of Stephen Glass**, Brenda Heins, Denise Imhoff, Paula Kadel, Jackie Mango, Joan McCauley, Lee Norris, Rita Pasour, Brooks Reeder, Renee Rice, Anna Rider, Dakota Shuford, and Charlene Sorenson

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).

FEAST OF PSALMS: *Psalter Book Three*

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM	73, 74	77	79	82	84	86	88
PM	75, 76	78	80, 81	83	85	87	89

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 31: July 31 to August 7, 2022

07/31 Morning Reading: Romans 3—Evening Reading: Psalms 54, 55, 56

08/01 Morning Reading: Romans 4—Evening Reading: Psalms 57, 58, 59

08/02 Morning Reading: Romans 5—Evening Reading: Psalms 60, 61, 62

08/03 Morning Reading: Romans 6—Evening Reading: Psalms 63, 64, 65

08/04 Morning Reading: Romans 7—Evening Reading: Psalms 66, 67

08/05 Morning Reading: Romans 8:1-21—Evening Reading: Psalms 68, 69

08/06 Morning Reading: Romans 8:22-39—Evening Reading: Psalms 70, 71

08/07 Morning Reading: Romans 9:1-15—Evening Reading: Psalms 72, 73

Songs of Praise: *“It Is Well with My Soul”* ELW #785

“We Will Glorify the King” W&P #154

Wednesday, August 3 - Holy Communion & Fellowship

The Rule of Faith: *“God the Holy Spirit”*

Sunday, August 7 - Holy Communion

Matthew 5:38-48 and Luke 12:32-40 ~ *“Simplicity”*

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This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 31 - SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2022

Sun-31	9:00 am	Bible Study/Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:00 am	Retirement Reception
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
Tues-02	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
Wed-03	8:30 am	Preschool
	7:00 pm	Evening Service & Fellowship (Chapel)
Thur-04	8:30 am	Preschool
Sat-06	8:00am	Set up for Clothing Giveaway
	11:00am	Clothing Giveaway