



**Those
who
humble
themselves
will be
exalted**

LUKE 14:11

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 31, 2025
Holy Communion 9:15 AM
Hymns from With One Voice (blue book)

PRELUDE	<i>Lord of the Dance</i>	Gerald Bales
OFFERING	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Robert Hobby
POSTLUDE	<i>Hark! The Jubilee is Sounding</i>	Gardner Read
ENTRANCE HYMN	#767	<i>All Things Bright & Beautiful</i>
COMMUNION HYMNS	#766	<i>We Come to the Hungry Feast</i>
CLOSING HYMN	#778	<i>O Christ the Same</i>

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. . . O God, we thank you for your Son who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow his commands; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

PSALM PSALM 112 *Sung unaccompanied responsively Cantor/Congregation*



- ¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD*
and have great delight in | his commandments!
- ² **Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;***
the generation of the upright | will be blessed.
- ³ Wealth and riches will be | in their house,*
and their righteousness will | last forever.
- ⁴ **Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;***
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.
- ⁵ It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending*
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.
- ⁶ **For they will nev- | er be shaken;***
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.
- ⁷ They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;*
their heart is right; they put their trust | in the LORD.
- ⁸ **Their heart is established and | will not shrink,***
until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.
- ⁹ They have given freely | to the poor,*
and their righteousness stands fast forever;
they will hold up their | head with honor.
- ¹⁰ **The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and | pine away;***
the desires of the wick- | ed will perish.

This Week at St. Paul's

Church office open Mon—Thurs 8:00 am—3:30 pm, Fri Office closed

Sunday, August 31 Last Combined Summer Service

9:15 AM Holy Eucharist—Live Stream
10:30 AM Summer Fellowship
6:30 PM AA Meeting—Community Rm

Monday, September 1—Labor Day—Office Closed

Tuesday, September 2

9:30 AM Pantry
6:00 PM Stewardship Mtg—Christ Hall
7:15 PM Mpuguso Mtg—Christ Hall

Wednesday, September 3

10:30 AM Bible Study—Christ Hall

Thursday, September 4

6:30 PM Handbell Choir
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Sunday, September 7

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:15 AM LWR Care Kit Assembly
9:15 AM New Members Class
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—Live Stream
6:30 PM AA Meeting—Community Rm

The altar flowers are presented to the glory of God.



Serving the Lord with Gladness

DATE	TIME	Assisting Minister	Crucifer	Lector	Bread Bakers	Greeters	Ushers -	Altar Guild
8/31	9:15 AM	Tristan Ericson	James Palmer	Johanna Patterson	Janet Fitch	Scott & Nicki Herdson	Team 1E: Jeff Riese, John Monk, Alex Bastian	Kathleen Lemke

Next week we assemble Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. This will take place outside on the South lawn during the 9:15 AM education time.

New Members Class begins next Sunday, September 7.

If you have sponsored altar flowers please remember to give the church secretary the sentiment you want printed in the bulletin by the Tuesday before the flower date.

Wednesday Bible Study at 10:30 AM in Christ Hall resumes Wednesday, September 3rd.

The Handbell Choir and the Chancel Choir resume rehearsals Thursday, September 4th.



Next week worship at 8:00 & 10:30 AM.

With One Voice Hymnal for summer—The blue worship book *With One Voice* has been placed in the pew along with a service folder containing the liturgy, texts and music. The hymn numbers and readings for the week are printed in the weekly bulletin cover.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6-7a

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence

or stand in the place of the great;

^{7a}for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

or Sirach 10:12-18 [not printed]

Psalm 112

SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember 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. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep 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." ⁶So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.

⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that

is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

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.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable.

⁸"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; ⁹and 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. ¹⁰But 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. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹²He 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. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Next Sunday's Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33.

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