



Everyone knows that when it comes to traits, humility is a positive one and pride is a negative one. So, why bother talking about what we already know? Because in spite of that knowledge, we still fall into the trap of pride.

Rather than minimizing pride as a sin that is common or harmless, Jesus' words today confront us with this hard truth. Those who exalt themselves will be humbled by God. And Jesus gives us the promise those who humble themselves he will exalt.

Opening Hymn _____ *Today, Your Mercy Calls Us* 916

The Service – Setting 2

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord,

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for private confession and reflection.

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Glory to God in the Highest _____ p.176

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve this congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading – Proverbs 25:6-7

Solomon provides common sense about humility and pride.

⁶ Do not honor yourself in a king's presence. Do not stand in a place reserved for great people, ⁷ because it is better to be told, "Come up here," than for you to be humiliated before a ruler whom your eyes have seen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading / Today's Message – James 2:1-13

James teaches that showing favoritism treats others with judgment rather than mercy, putting us at risk of receiving the same from God.

2 My brothers, have faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ without showing favoritism.

² For example, suppose a man enters your worship assembly wearing gold rings and fine clothing, and a poor man also enters wearing filthy clothing. ³ If you look with favor on the man wearing fine clothing and say, "Sit here in this good place," but you tell the poor man, "Stand over there" or "Sit down here at my feet," ⁴ have you not made a distinction among yourselves and become judges with evil opinions?

⁵ Listen, my dear brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom, which he promised to those who love him? ⁶ But you dishonored the poor man. Don't the rich oppress you, and don't they drag you into court? ⁷ Aren't they the ones who blaspheme the noble name that was pronounced over you?

⁸ However, if you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. ⁹ But if you show favoritism, you are committing a sin, since you are convicted by this law as transgressors.

¹⁰ In fact, whoever keeps the whole law but stumbles in one point has become guilty of breaking all of it. ¹¹ For the one who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not commit murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do commit murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.

¹² So speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law of freedom. ¹³ For there will be judgment without mercy on the one who has not shown mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day – 42

Gospel – Luke 14:1,7-14

The Gospel according to Luke, chapter 14:

Glory be to you, O Lord!

Jesus teaches some ways to demonstrate humility and promises that those who humble themselves will be exalted.

14 One Sabbath day, when Jesus went into the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat bread, they were watching him closely.

7 When he noticed how they were selecting the places of honor, he told the invited guests a parable. 8 “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline in the place of honor, or perhaps someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him.

9 The one who invited both of you may come and tell you, ‘Give this man your place.’ Then you will begin, with shame, to take the lowest place.

10 “But when you are invited, go and recline in the lowest place, so that when the one who invited you comes, he will tell you, ‘Friend, move up to a higher place.’ Then you will have honor in the presence of all who are reclining at the table with you.

11 “Yes, everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

12 He also said to the one who had invited him, “When you make a dinner or a supper, do not invite your friends, or your brothers, or your relatives, or rich neighbors, so that perhaps they may also return the favor and pay you back.

13 “But when you make a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, 14 and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. Certainly, you will be repaid in the resurrection of the righteous.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Confession of Faith – *The Meaning to the First Article*

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

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all that exists, and that he gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears and all my members, my mind and all my abilities.

And I believe that he still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, property and home, spouse and children, land, cattle and all I own, and all I need to keep my body and life. God also preserves me by defending me against all danger, guarding and protecting me from all evil.

All this God does only because he is my good and merciful Father in heaven and not because I have earned or deserved it. For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him.

This is most certainly true.

Hymn of the Day _____ ***Blest Are They* 690**

Today’s Message

God’s Favorites Have No Favorites

Offering & Friendship Register

Prayer of the Church

Heavenly Father, through your Son's successful salvation mission, you have called us to a place at your heavenly table. Teach us to treasure this place of honor you've given us. Lord, in our mercy,

hear our prayer.

Lord of the Church, sustain pastors and teachers in their work of preaching and teaching your precious Word. Give them joy in their lives of faith as they share your salvation message, and also give joy to those who hear that message that they may grow in their lives of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of justice, you exalt the humble and humble the proud in your own appointed time. We commend to you the elected officials of our land. Grant them the desire to govern as though serving, and give them wisdom and courage to know what is right and to follow it. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Great Physician, grant health and healing according to your will to the sick and the suffering, the troubled and those in pain. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Merciful God, you invite us to come to you confident that you will neither leave us nor forsake us, but will give us all that we need for this body and life, along with your grace for all the situations and circumstances in which we find ourselves. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

O God of Marriage, you instituted and blessed marriage as the lifelong union of a man and a woman, and you commanded that it be held in honor by all. We ask your blessing on all husbands and wives, and those who will be united as husband and wife very soon. May their lives lived together in your name be examples of self-sacrifice and love. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.**

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Closing Hymn _____ *10,000 Reasons* 607

Special Service at Wisco

All are welcome to attend the installation service on Sunday, August 28, at 4:00 PM.

It will be in the auditorium at Wisconsin Lutheran High School.

This service will include new faculty, staff installations and anniversary celebrations.

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. Pete Schumacher (*St. John's, Lannon*)..... 40 years in the ministry
Mr. Matt Bilitz (*Victory of the Lamb*)..... 25 years in the ministry
Rev. Heath Butler (*Star of Bethlehem, New Berlin*)..... 25 years in the ministry
Mrs. Amy Goede (*Grace, Milwaukee*)..... 25 years in the ministry
Mr. Ryan Walz (*Christ the Lord, Brookfield*)..... 25 years in the ministry

INSTALLATION OF FULL TIME FACULTY

Mrs. Sofia Bitter (*Atonement, Milwaukee*)
Mrs. Stacy Bitter (*St. John's, Milwaukee*)
Mrs. Erin Koschnitzke (*Grace, Milwaukee*)
Ms. Angie Livingston (*St. Lucas, Kewaskum*)
Mr. Joshua Rimpel (*Star of Bethlehem, New Berlin*)
Mrs. Rachel Rimpel (*Star of Bethlehem, New Berlin*)
Mrs. Rachel Rosenberg (*Living Word, Waukesha*)
Mrs. Dawn Strand (*Victory of the Lamb*)
Mr. Micah Walz (*Star of Bethlehem, New Berlin*)

WELCOMING STAFF

Mrs. Michelle Crowder
Mr. Kenton Fabian
Mr. Matthew Harbach
Mr. Kerry Kuehn
Mrs. Stephanie Lamas
Mr. Pierre McCoy
Mr. Kurt Nygaard
Mrs. Madison Schultz
Mr. Sam Schultz

St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School in Cudahy, Wisconsin

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August 28, 2022

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

- **Welcome!** ... We are so glad you chose to join us for worship today. We pray that "Jesus Christ the Savior of the world" was clearly proclaimed in the message and music of worship and that you were blessed by it. If we can be of service to you, please don't hesitate to speak with our pastor. If you are a visitor, we would consider it an honor if joined us again.
- **Main Floor Restroom** ... Please reserve it for those with limited mobility. Women's and men's are on the lower level. Changing tables are available in each.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

It is a blessing to assist parents with the Christian Education of their children through St. Paul's School. We provide a quality Christian Education for children ages 4 years through 8th Grade. We are a Choice School. Call the School Office (744-9771) for more information, or leave a message any time.

Sunday (August 28)

9:30 AM.....Worship
10:30 AM.....Fellowship

Thursday (September 1)

6:30 PM.....Worship / Communion

Friday (September 2)

.....No School

Sunday (September 4)

9:30 AM.....Worship / Communion

Monday (September 5)

Labor Day.....No School

We Play Organ

Sara Butler

We Usher

Thursday (9/1)

J Hansen, R Stack

Sunday (9/4)

T Herbst, D Rickaby
K Nygaard, W Roepke

We Greet

Sunday (9/4)

Dave & Tammy Smukowski
Dan & Linda Tomczyk

We Gather

Thursday..... 37 25
Sunday..... 92 75
Total 129 100

We Bring Gifts

Envelopes.....\$2,517.00
Lutherans for Life..... \$80.00
Thank Offering\$100.00
E-Offerings.....\$2,151.81
Total\$4,848.81

Thank Offering

For blessings received, Carol Eisenberg has given \$100.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Meet on the First and Third Tuesdays of the month at 6:15 AM at Andrea's Restaurant on S. Packard Ave in Cudahy. Study of the book of Judges and the men and women whom God picked to lead Israel before they wanted a king like everyone else.

Women's Morning Bible Study

Meet on the First and Third Tuesdays of the month at 9:30 AM at Dorothy Schlueter's home, 6215 Walnut Ln. #41 (off College Ave in Cudahy). Their topic will be "Heaven." Contact her: 414.840.4018.

Altar Flowers

In honor of Spencer Coulthurst & Kelsey Frey's wedding on August 27, Mike and Kristin have given flowers.

Bible Class Video / Discussion Series

In Season and Out of Season will be our new Bible Class. Paul wrote: "Be prepared in season and out of season" (2 Tim. 4:2). We have the BEST NEWS EVER to share ... Jesus!
Many Christians are afraid to sharing their faith, you are not alone. This series will equip you to be more confident in sharing Jesus whenever and wherever God has planted you.

Begins on Sunday, Sept. 11 / Monday, Sept. 12.

Sundays at 8:30 AM in the church (and repeated)

Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Public School Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes for 7th and 8th Graders who attend a public school are on **Mondays from 4:30-6:00 PM**. Our first class meets on **September 12**, and we meet in the Church Fellowship Hall. All materials are provided.

Thank You – School Railings

Thanks to our Properties Team of Dave Hintz and Don Wenner for *painting* the exterior railings in front of school.

Thanks also goes out to Mike Coulthurst. His company *removed, then welded* a new piece onto the bottom of every post (all had rusted through). They also *primed, drilled new holes in the concrete, and then re-attached* all 150 feet of railing.

Purchase a New Hymnal

Purchase a hymnal for \$25 for yourself, or for the church *in honor of*, or *in memory of* someone. (A label will be attached to the inside front cover of a hymnal with info.)



Envelopes are available in the church entryway.

2022 Church Directory

You should be receiving an updated St. Paul's Church Directory in the mail in the coming weeks. If you don't receive one by the beginning of September, we have extra. Contact the church office.

Meditations

Those who have an annual subscription to Meditations will find the next quarter of daily devotions in your mailbox in the church entryway.

There are extra Meditations on the entryway desk. Pick one up and read the daily devotions. If you'd like to get your own subscription to these to these 5-minute daily encouragements from God's Word contact the church office.

Church Picnic / Celebrating 30 Years! **Sunday, September 11**

Our Christian Education Celebration this year will not only start off our Sunday School for kids, and Bible Class schedule for adults, we'll also enjoy a "Church Picnic" and a celebration for our school building which is officially 30 years old this year.

Sunday School	8:30 AM
Bible Class	8:30 AM
Celebration Worship	9:30 AM
Church Picnic	10:30 AM

Fellowship! Join Us!

Stay after worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month to enjoy treats, coffee / refreshments and chat with others. We'd be honored if our guests and visitors stayed.

Week 2 Host: *LuAnn Gaertner & Sandy Marshall*
Week 4 Host: *Tammy Smukowski & Sandy Santoro*

Special Communion Service & Meal **Thursday, September 8 at 11:00 AM**

Remain seated for this 40 min. service of Scripture and hymns, sermon and Sacrament. A delicious meal is served afterward in the Fellowship Hall.

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