



*Last week Jesus warned us against overvaluing earthly wealth.*

*This week Jesus warns against undervaluing heavenly treasure.*

*Last week, Jesus exposed the foolishness of greed.*

*This week, Jesus exposes the foolishness of worry.*

Since it's hard not to worry, this might be the bigger challenge! Today, we'll see Jesus point to ravens that are daily fed and flowers that are beautifully clothed as examples of the Father's care. Then he'll point to the Father who promises to give us heavenly treasures, and along with that he promises to throw in exactly what we need here.

Opening Hymn \_\_\_\_\_ *I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus* 816

## 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

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## First Reading – Genesis 15:1-6

*In faith, Abram treasured all the LORD's gracious promises.*

<sup>1</sup> After these events the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision. He said, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward."

<sup>2</sup> Abram said, "LORD God what can you give me, since I remain childless, and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup> Abram also said, "Look, you have given me no offspring, so a servant born in my house will be my heir."

<sup>4</sup> Just then, the word of the LORD came to him. God said, "This man will not be your heir, but instead one who will come out of your own body will be your heir." <sup>5</sup> The LORD then brought him outside and said, "Now look toward the sky and count the stars, if you are able to count them." He said to Abram, "This is what your descendants will be like." <sup>6</sup> Abram believed in the LORD, and the LORD credited it to him as righteousness.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading – Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

*The gift of faith allows us to see that treasure is found in the city whose architect is God.*

<sup>1</sup> Faith is being sure about what we hope for, being convinced about things we do not see. <sup>2</sup> For by this faith the ancients were commended in Scripture.

<sup>3</sup> By faith we know that the universe was created by God's word, so that what is seen did not come from visible things.

<sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go to a place that he was going to receive as an inheritance, and he left without knowing where he was going.

<sup>9</sup> By faith he lived as a stranger in the Promised Land, as if it did not belong to him, dwelling in tents along with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup> For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

<sup>11</sup> By faith Abraham also received the ability to conceive children, even though Sarah herself was barren and he was past the normal age, because he considered him faithful who made the promise. <sup>12</sup> And so from one man, and he as good as dead, descendants were born as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand along the seashore.

<sup>13</sup> One by one, all of these died in faith, without having received the things that were promised, but they saw and welcomed them from a distance. They confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. <sup>14</sup> Indeed, people who say things like that make it clear that they are looking for a land of their own. <sup>15</sup> And if they were remembering the land they had come from, they would have had an opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup> Instead, they were longing for a better land – a heavenly one. For that reason, God is not ashamed to be called their God, because he prepared a city for them.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

[Duet: Jim & Tammy Nygaard]

## Gospel / Today's Message – Luke 12:22-34

The Gospel according to Luke, chapter 12:

**Glory be to you, O Lord!**

*Jesus assures us we have a Father in heaven who knows what we need better than we do.*

<sup>22</sup> Jesus said to his disciples, “For that reason I tell you, stop worrying about your life, about what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. <sup>23</sup> Certainly life is more than food, and the body is more than clothing. <sup>24</sup> Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap; they have no warehouse or barn; and yet God feeds them. How much more valuable are you than birds! <sup>25</sup> And who of you by worrying can add a single moment to his lifespan? <sup>26</sup> Since you are not able to do this little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

<sup>27</sup> Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. But I tell you, not even Solomon in all his glory was dressed like one of these. <sup>28</sup> If this is how God clothes the grass in the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith? <sup>29</sup> Do not constantly chase after what you will eat or what you will drink. Do not be worried about it.

<sup>30</sup> To be sure, the nations of the world chase after all of these things, but your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup> Instead, continue to seek the kingdom of God, and all these things will be added to you. <sup>32</sup> Do not be afraid, little flock, because your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions and give to the needy. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not become old, a treasure in the heavens that will not fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

Hymn of the Day \_\_\_\_\_ *Children of the Heavenly Father* 502

Today's Message

**Stop Worrying! (*Easier Said than Done*)**

## Offering & Friendship Register

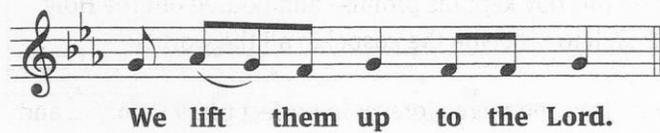
## Prayer of the Church

## The Sacrament

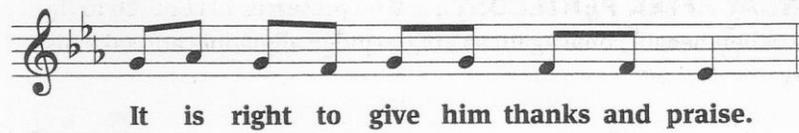
The Lord be with you.



Lift up your hearts.



Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

**Holy, Holy, Holy** \_\_\_\_\_ **p.184**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you – the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.

**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.**

## Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God** \_\_\_\_\_ **p.186**

### **Private Prayer Before Communion**

*Mine is the sin but yours the righteousness;  
Mine is the guilt but yours the cleansing blood.  
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:  
Your blood, your righteousness, O Lord, my God. Amen. (660:4)*



**Distribution Hymn** \_\_\_\_\_ **Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior 659**

### **Private Prayer After Communion**

*Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;  
Here would I touch and handle things unseen,  
Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,  
And all my weariness upon you lean. Amen. (660:1)*



## Thanksgiving and Blessing

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**His mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

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** \_\_\_\_\_ **My Worth Is Not in What I Own 753**

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

A Member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

## August 7, 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 7)

9:30 AM.....Worship

#### Monday (August 8)

3:00-7:00 PM..School Registration

#### Tuesday (August 9)

6:00 PM.....School Board

#### Thursday (August 11)

11:00 AM.....Special Communion

6:30 PM.....Worship

#### Sunday (August 14)

9:30 AM.....Worship

10:30 AM.....Fellowship

#### We Play Organ

Mary Wilde

#### We Usher

Thursday (8/11)

R Vircks, M Coulthurst

Sunday (8/14)

D Borree, J Ziemann

#### We Greet

Sunday (8/14)

Charlie & Ruth Price  
Jeff & Kim Nordby

#### We Gather

Thursday..... 25

Sunday..... 92

Total ..... 117

#### We Bring Gifts

Envelopes.....\$3,383.00

Hymnal ..... \$45.00

Jesus Cares ..... \$45.00

Mission for Deaf..... \$20.00

E-Offerings.....\$1,870.58

Total .....\$5,363.58

#### Special Communion Service & Meal **Thursday, August 11 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.

#### Men's Breakfast Bible Study

The Men continue to meet for breakfast and Bible Study at 6:15 AM at Andrea's Restaurant on S. Packard Ave in Cudahy on the First and Third Tuesdays of the month. We're studying the book of Judges and the men and women whom God picked to lead Israel before they demanded having a king like everyone else.

#### Summer Outreach for Our Church and School

Thanks to those who smiled and handed-out information about our church and school under our "*St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School*" pop-up canopy for: **St. Francis National Night Out** on Wednesday, August 3, and **Cudahy National Night Out** on Thursday, August 4.



#### Women's Morning Bible Study

The Women meet on the First and Third Tuesdays of the month at Dorothy Schlueter's home, 6215 Walnut Ln. #41 (off College Ave in Cudahy). Contact her at: 414.840.4018.

**A Personal Note from Steve Olson,  
A Former St. Paul's Pastor**

Dear brothers and sisters at St. Paul's,

Gina and I, and all of our children and grandchildren are deeply grateful for the many encouragements from God's Word that so many of you have shared with us. We thank God that you have held us up in prayer and we humbly ask you to continue to keep us in your prayers. Your gifts of love have also reminded us that God has blessed us richly through all of you. As we grieve for Jacob, the bond of Christian love that we share with you has been a rich blessing to us. Our world has been shaken, but the foundations of our life remain the same. God's words and promises give us confidence in our sorrow. It remains the only thing we know for sure. We are grateful that the Lord allowed us to have Jacob in our lives for 7 years and we pray that God will strengthen us through Word and Sacrament to cherish Christ even more. Job said at the loss of his children, "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised." Join us to praise God for the blessings we enjoy.

We are so appreciative of your kindness and love.

In Christ,  
Steve and Gina Olson

**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.

**Flowers**

In Honor of Coen Henn's 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday on August 8, Mom and Dad have given flowers.

**Join Us**

fellowship

Stay after worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month! Enjoy treats, coffee / refreshments and chat with others. We'd be honored if our guests and visitors stopped in!  
Contact the church office if interested in taking a turn to host.

Week 2 Host:

*LuAnn Gaertner & Sandy Marshall*

Week 4 Host:

*Tammy Smukowski & Sandy Santorol*

**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.

<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>
<b>Bible Class</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>
<b>Celebration Worship</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
<b>Church Picnic</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>

**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.

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