8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP July 31, 2022 8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: "Be Thou My Vision" - P. Manz

- P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

You may either stand or kneel.

- P: God of resurrection life, we come before you today as those who would die to sin and rise to newness of life.
- C: Lower into the grave all selfishness, greed, and envy, all harmful desires and unworthy ambitions.
- P: Raise from death the good that is in us -- and gift us with the good that is not in us.
- C: Help us to love neighbors, strangers, and those we do not even like.
- P: We have failed you.
- C: We have failed our world.
- P: Give us the skill and the desire to bring healing into this world.

C: Forgive us the sins we can name and the sins we cannot name.

(Silence to ponder our wrongs.)

- P: Lord, make us channels of blessing for the impoverished and injured souls of this world.
- C: In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:

- P: As the Apostle Paul teaches us in Romans chapter 5: If in Adam and Eve all have died so now--in Jesus Christ--all are made alive. Let us rejoice in the lifegiving power of God's unconditional love. Our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake.
- C: Amen.



GATHERING HYMN: "Glorious Things of You Are Spoken"



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt. Music: BLAENWERN, William P. Rowlands, 1860–1937

APOSTOLIC GREETING:

- P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.



PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P. The Lord be with you

C. And also with you.

P. Let us pray

Lord God, give us the wisdom and skill to love that which is worth loving. Help us to turn away from the lesser gods and passing values. Amen.

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST LESSON: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

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PSALM 49:1-12 - Spoken responsively, the congregation speaks the lines in **bold** print.

¹Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

²you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.

³My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

⁴I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

⁵Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

⁶the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?

One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

⁸for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,

⁹in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

¹⁰For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

¹¹Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation,

though they had named lands after themselves.

¹²Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

After the reading of the Gospel:

P. The Gospel of the Lord"

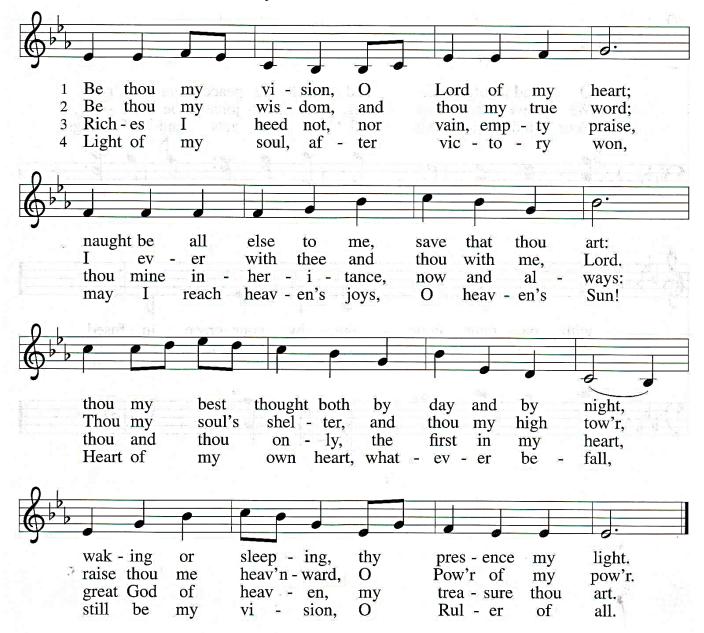
C. Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON: "A Fool and His Money"

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Pastor Larry Isbell

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Be Thou My Vision"



Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931 Music: Irish traditional SLANE 10 10 10 10

APOSTLES' CREED:

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Praise His Holy Name" -- Keith Hampton

Sing till the power of the Lord come down. Shout hallelujah! Praise His Holy name! (repeat) Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me; I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see. Jesus, Jesus, how I love thee! Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy name! Sing till the power of the Lord come down. Shout hallelujah! Praise His Holy name! (repeat) Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free? No, there's a cross for ev'ryone and there's a cross for me. Jesus, Jesus, how I love thee! Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy name! Sing till the power of the Lord come down. Shout hallelujah! Praise His Holy name! Sing till the power of the Lord come down. Shout hallelujah! Praise His Holy name! Hallelujah! Let us Praise His name, Oh! Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name! Hallelujah! Let us Praise His Name, Hallelujah, Lord! Praise His Holy Name! (repeat) Praise His Name! Praise His Holy Name, Praise His Name! Oh, oh, Praise His Holy Name! (repeat) Praise Him!

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")

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

THE BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

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P. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

HOLY COMMUNION:

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.

As you approach the altar rail, please keep a good space between yourself and others. The floor is marked where you may stand or kneel.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

P. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION:

- P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "God of Grace and God of Glory"



Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969 Music: John Hughes, 1873–1932 CWM RHONDDA 8787877

DISMISSAL:

- P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "God of Grace" – P. Manz

Today's altar flowers are given by Josh & Karla Fuhs on behalf of FLC in honor of Pastor Larry and by the Stricker family in honor of Pastor Larry.