

The Rich Man said,  
I do  
I have  
My crops  
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I will  
My barns  
I will  
My grain  
My goods  
My soul  
I will

SEVENTH  
SUNDAY  
AFTER  
PENTECOST

*July 24, 2022*  
*10:00am*

But God said,  
"You fool"

**Welcome****Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who creates us,  
redeems us,  
and calls us by name.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you  
and your beloved children.**

**We have turned our faces away from your glory  
when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word  
when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality  
to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done  
and the things we have left undone.**

**For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe  
in the glory of your Son born among us,  
and reflect your love for all creation.**

**Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news:

In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

You are descendants of the Most High,  
adopted into the household of Christ,  
and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

**Amen.**

**Hymn**

Lord of All Hopefulness

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**Apostolic Greeting**

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

**And also with you.**

## Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy



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2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
Chris - te e - lei - son.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

## Prayer of the Day

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.**

## Children's Time

### First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–23

<sup>2</sup>Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,  
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>12</sup>I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, <sup>13</sup>applied 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. <sup>14</sup>I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

<sup>2:18</sup>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 <sup>19</sup>—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. <sup>20</sup>So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup>because 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. <sup>22</sup>What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup>For 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.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Second Reading: Colossians 3:1–11

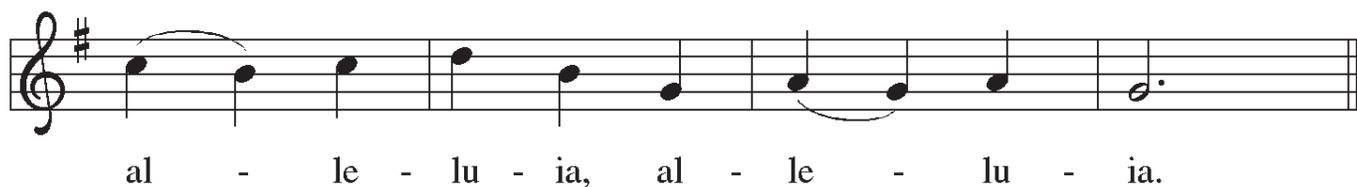
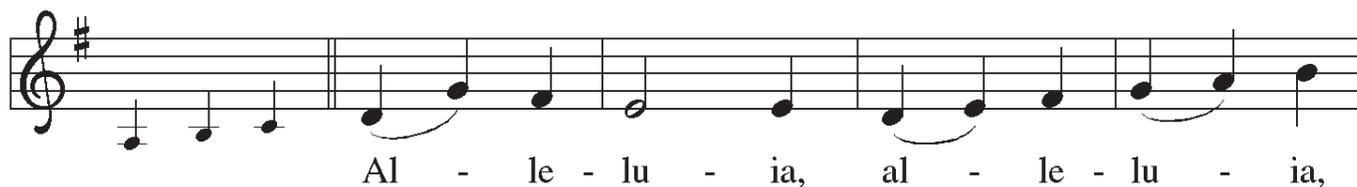
<sup>1</sup>So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup>On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

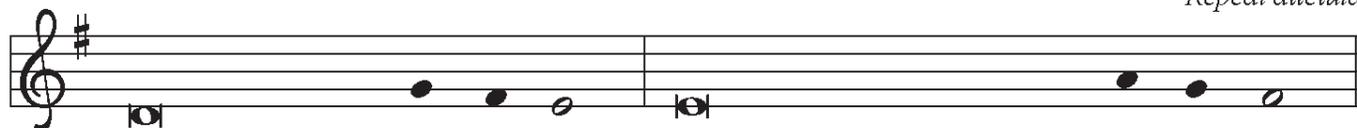
Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Gospel Acclamation



*Repeat alleluia*



## Gospel: Luke 12:13–21

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup>And 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.” <sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup>Then 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. <sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup>But 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?' <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Jan Adams

Hymn

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come 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.**

Prayers of the Church

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

... Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

**Amen.**

### 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.**

### Offering

Lord of All Hopefulness

Wilbur Held

### Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

### Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

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### Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

God of Grace and God of Glory

Paul Manz

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**Lay Preacher:** Jan Adams

**Reader:** Diana Cataldi

**Worship Leader:** Arthur Grothe

**Organist:** Elaine Mann

## Pastor Phil's Absence

Pastor Phil will be doing his required Continuing Education next week in Baltimore followed by several days of vacation. He will be back in the town on Friday, August 12.

In the case of a pastoral emergency, please contact the office.



## Coffee Hours

We are watching Covid conditions and hoping we can get back to Coffee Hours in the Fall. You may remember that in the past each congregational committee was assigned two months to provide for the snacks and coffee. With the decision to reduce the committees (which we now call ministries) to three members that model is not sustainable. We will invite those who participate in coffee hour to sign up for weeks and provide

a simple snack, make the coffee, and clean up. Sign ups will be out to do this in late August.

## Funeral for Chuck Gavin

Pastor Chuck Gavin's funeral will be held on August 6th presided over by Pr. Don Wisner. Chuck and his wife Sally were baptised, confirmed, and married here. In 1965 he was ordained here and two of their children were baptised here. The service will be at 1pm with visitation right before the service.

## Women's Summer Bible Study

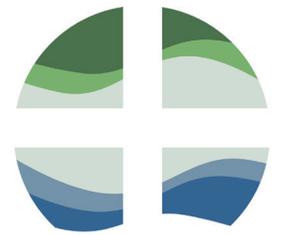
**AUGUST 3 AT 1PM**

Spirit Lutheran will host a Bible study workshop using the Gather Magazine studies in the May/June and July/August issues. All women are welcome to attend. It will be in our Fellowship Hall downstairs. There is an elevator for your convenience also. Bring your Gather magazines, and copies will also be available. Pastor Becca Holland will lead the study.

Coffee and treats will be provided. We will have a free will offering to be given to the WELCA Katie's Fund, which is used for women's enrichment in the ELCA.

The Bible study uses the concept of quilting to explore rest, renewal, and Christian community. Bring a quilt to display. This can be any size quilting project, your work or maybe a family piece. Attach your name and a short explanation.

Hope to see you there.



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## Blessing Box

Please help us Replenish Our Blessing Box

Our Blessing Box, located at the front entrance of Grace Church, provides non perishable food as well as hygiene items to our neighbors in need. Our Blessing Box is getting low! The Mission Outreach Ministry will collect nonperishable and personal hygiene products August 14–21. A basket will be in the Narthex for collection.

Suggested items include:

- Cereal
- Canned soup
- Canned vegetables
- Granola Bars
- Fruit Cups
- Canned Meat
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Shampoo
- Soap
- Toothpaste

Of course, you are always welcome to put your items directly in the Blessing Box at any time.



## Summer Suppers

Summer Suppers are needed for the families at Beacon House.

Our upcoming commitment for providing food at the homeless shelter is for the following dates:

- Sunday, July 31
- Monday, August 1

- Tuesday, August 2
- Wednesday, August 3

Lighter fare is always welcome during the summer. Check out the menus posted on the Lighthouse in the Narthex. We will learn about the number of residents by July 27 so that we can plan the amount of food needed each evening.

Thank you for your continued support of this community outreach mission of our congregation.

## Coming in September!

Save the Date: **SEPTEMBER 11**

Life & Growth and Education Ministries

### ADRC Health Promotion Workshops

The Aging & Disability Resource Center of Eau Claire County offers evidence-based workshops that can help your clients maintain or improve behaviors for better health and independence! Registration is open for these upcoming health promotion workshops:

- StrongBodies Information Session for new participants (virtual and phone conference) orientation for 10-week strength and balance training classes that meet twice weekly for 1-hour – on **September 1**
- Reduce your risk of falling! Stepping On falls prevention workshop (in person) meet for 2 hours once weekly for 7 weeks, classes start **September 13**
- Healthy Living with Diabetes self-management workshop (in person) meets for 2.5 hours once weekly for 6 weeks – starts **September 13**
- Stand Up and Move More (in person) is designed to reduce sedentary behavior (or ‘sit time’) for better health. Meets 1 hour weekly for 4 weeks – starts July 19 and (telephone conference) **September 28**
- Mind Over Matter: Healthy Bowels, Healthy Bladder (in person) for prevention or early intervention of incontinence among women, 3 sessions over one month – starts **July 21** and (virtual) on **October 12**

To register for any of these workshops: Call the ADRC at 715-839-4735 or go to [www.adrcevents.org](http://www.adrcevents.org).

### Altar Flowers

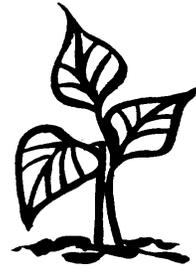
Altar flower sign-up cards are available again. Pick one up in the entryway off of the Oxford Ave Parking Lot. Please choose a card for the date you would like, fill it out, and place it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office. If you choose a florist other than 4 Seasons, you will be responsible for bringing the flowers the morning of the service.

We are also trying out a new program. If you are giving electronically through Vanco, there is now an option to purchase altar flowers through Vanco’s website or their mobile app. Please order at least a week in advance to give us time to process your request.

If you have ordered altar flowers through 4 Seasons and have taken them home, please return the vase to Andrew in the office so we can bring them back to 4 Seasons to be used again.

# kids Celebrate

Lectionary 18



## gather

Welcome to worship. Do you ever worry about the clothes you wear or the way you look?

The robes some people wear in worship remind us that we are all the same in God's eyes. These three people are different ages. Circle the things that are the same about the way they dress.



Fill in the vowels to find another thing all three share.

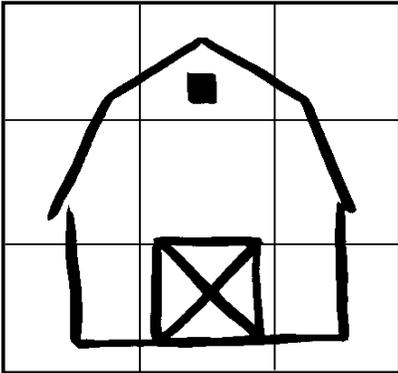
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## Giving to others

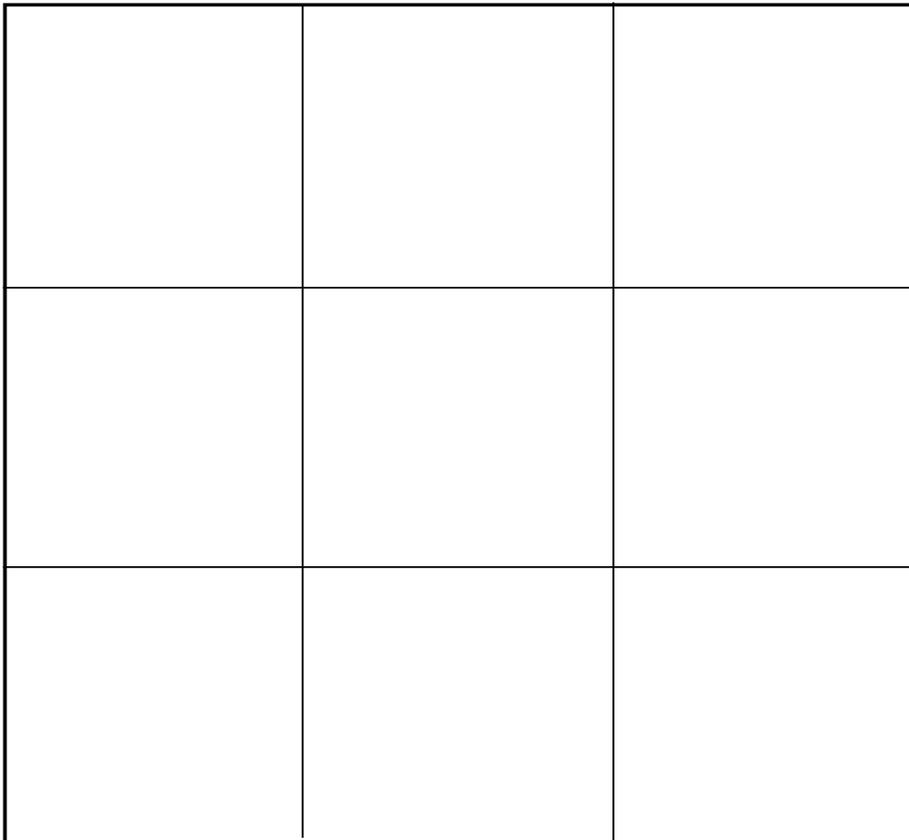
Luke 12:13-21

The man in today's gospel story wanted to keep all of his grain for himself. He turned a need into a want. We put money into the offering each week to help others who have needs.



**Giving to others helps us see that everything is God's.**

**Copy the lines from each square in the small picture onto the blank grid to make a bigger barn.**



## This week

Pray about your family's wants and needs.

## Church Office Hours

Monday — Thursday : 10AM — 2PM

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If you missed one of our services, you can find them on the “Grace Lutheran Church ELCA Eau Claire Wisconsin” YouTube page. If you would like to follow along with a bulletin they can be found on our website (<https://grace-church.org/>) under the “Our Ministry” section.

Services are also broadcast on the following platforms:

### Televised Service

Sunday 10:30am WQOW Channel 18, Cable 9, 618HD (every other week)

Thursday 1:30pm Cable Channel 993 (ChipVal CTV Pub Ed)

### Radio Service

Sunday 8:30am WAYY 790 AM

Do you have information for the bulletin and Grace at a Glance? Deadline is Thursday by 12:00 p.m. by emailing Andrew at [info@grace-church.org](mailto:info@grace-church.org) or by calling the office at 715-832-9713