

**Gospel Reading: Luke 12:13-21** <sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup>Jesus replied, “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?” <sup>15</sup>Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup>And he told them this parable: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. <sup>17</sup>He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’” <sup>18</sup>“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. <sup>19</sup>And I’ll say to myself, ‘You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.’” <sup>20</sup>“But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’” <sup>21</sup>“This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Children’s Message:**    *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Sermon:**    *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Hymn of the Day & Offering:**    *“Softly and Tenderly”*

*Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you’d like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>. Children’s coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.*

**Verse 1: Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me;  
see on the portals he’s waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.**

**Refrain: Come home, come home; you who are weary come home;  
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!**

**Verse 2: Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me?  
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me? [Refrain]**

**Verse 3: Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing, passing from you and from me;  
shadows are gathering, deathbeds are coming, coming for you and for me. [Refrain]**

**Verse 4: O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me!  
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me. [Refrain]**

**Offertory Prayer:**    P: Let us pray.

**C: 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 & Lord. Amen.**

**Apostles’ Creed:**    *(please stand as you are able)*

**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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayers:**    *(call and response)*

Trusting in God’s extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.    *A brief silence.*  
O God, you are wholeness. Where there is division in your church, bring reconciliation and healing. Guide the work of theologians, Sunday school teachers, seminary professors, and all who provide instruction for the building up of your church. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you are the source of all life. Where creation cries out in distress, bring relief and renewal. Bless farmers, ranchers, distributors, and all who provide our food. Nourish the land and all its habitants.    Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you are wisdom. Where nations and communities yearn for peace, bring justice. Strengthen those who toil for the welfare of others, especially military personnel, police, first responders, and activists, and for the healing of the nations. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you are life. Where your people are overwhelmed with the busy-ness of life, bring encouragement. Accompany all who experience emotional, mental, or physical distress especially; Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Finley Budensiek, Sara Nolte, Judy Carpenter, Donald & Nancy Nord, Larry Reese, Dan Hedeon, Matt Ludwig, Jan Benidt, Neil Stehr, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Jen Berg, Kellie Peterson, and Vincent Koenig. Renew us at your table of mercy.    Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you are our treasure. Where scarcity and anxiety pervade your church, bring abundance and vitality. Guide the work of church councils and committees and give them clarity for the work of ministry in this place. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you are resurrection. We give you thanks for all your saints. Inspire us by their example of faithful living to set our minds on things above and to be rich in love toward you. 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.**

**Sharing the Peace:**    P: The peace of Christ be with you always,      **C: And also with you.**

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you      **C: And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts.      **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.      **C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

**The Words of Institution**

**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.**

**Meal and Hymns:**    *“Goodness of God”*

**I love You, Lord For Your mercy never fails me All my days, I’ve been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up Until I lay my head Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God**

**And all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God**

**I love Your voice You have led me through the fire In the darkest night  
You are close like no other I’ve known You as a Father I’ve known You as a Friend  
And I have lived in the goodness of God**

**And all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God**

**Communion Prayer:**    *(please stand as you are able)*

P: O God,

**C: We give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body & blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing:**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

**Sending Hymns:**    *“Go in Peace” 3X*

**Go In Peace And serve the Lord your God. Sow the seeds about the man of love.  
Go into the world and tell them One by one. Go tell them what Jesus has done**

**Dismissal:**

P: Go in peace to love and serve Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**

# St. Luke Lutheran Church

## 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



Pastor Eric Hanson  
9:30AM • July 31, 2022

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### Welcome & Announcements

**Greeting:** *(please stand as you are able)*

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God      C: **Come Holy Spirit, Come!**

### Confession and Forgiveness:

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, life-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, and make us New.**

P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn:** *"Christ be our Light"* *(please stand as you are able)*

**Verse 1: Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.**

**Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

**Verse 2: Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. [Refrain]**

**Verse 3: Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. [Refrain]**

**Verse 4: Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. [Refrain]**

**Verse 5: Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. [Refrain]**

**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.

**The First Reading:** Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 <sup>1,2</sup>"Meaningless! Meaningless!" says the Teacher. "Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless." <sup>12</sup>I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>I applied my mind to study and to explore by wisdom all that is done under the heavens. What a heavy burden God has laid on mankind! <sup>14</sup>I have seen all the things that are done under the sun; all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind. <sup>18</sup>I hated all the things I had toiled for under the sun, because I must leave them to the one who comes after me. <sup>19</sup>And who knows whether that person will be wise or foolish? Yet they will have control over all the fruit of my toil into which I have poured my effort and skill under the sun. This too is meaningless. <sup>20</sup>So my heart began to despair over all my toilsome labor under the sun. <sup>21</sup>For a person may labor with wisdom, knowledge and skill, and then they must leave all they own to another who has not toiled for it. This too is meaningless and a great misfortune. <sup>22</sup>What do people get for all the toil and anxious striving with which they labor under the sun? <sup>23</sup>All their days their work is grief and pain; even at night their minds do not rest. This too is meaningless.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *"Celtic Alleluia"* *(stand as you are able)* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 2X

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