

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 11, 2024 – Hymn Sing**  
**9:30 a.m.**

**The Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

\* **Confession & Forgiveness** ELW pgs. 94-96

*P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.***

*P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.***

*P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

*P: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.***

*P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.***

\* **Gathering Hymn** # \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

\* **The Prayer of the Day** (all pray): Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**The First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:4-8**

<sup>4</sup> But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." <sup>5</sup> And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." <sup>6</sup> And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. <sup>7</sup> And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." <sup>8</sup> And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

*Reader: The Word of the Lord.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsive Reading – Psalm 34:1-8**

L:34 I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**C:<sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.**

L:<sup>3</sup> Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

**C:<sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.**

L:<sup>5</sup> Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

**C:<sup>6</sup> This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.**

L:<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**ALL:<sup>8</sup> Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

## **The Second Lesson: Ephesians 4:25--5:2**

<sup>25</sup> Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup> Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup> Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

**5** Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. <sup>2</sup> And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **\* The Gospel Announcement:**

\* P: The Holy Gospel is heard according to Matthew, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **\* The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 21:33-46**

<sup>33</sup> "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. <sup>34</sup> When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. <sup>35</sup> And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup> Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. <sup>37</sup> Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>38</sup> But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' <sup>39</sup> And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. <sup>40</sup> When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" <sup>41</sup> They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

<sup>42</sup> Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

<sup>43</sup> Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. <sup>44</sup> And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

<sup>45</sup> When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup> And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

\* P: The Gospel of the Lord.      **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Children's Sermon**

**Hymn:** # \_\_\_\_\_

**The Sermon**

**“The Parables of Jesus ”**  
**Part 15 – “The Wicked Tenants”**  
*(sermon text: Matthew 21:33-46)*

**Pastor William Shields**

\* **The Apostles' Creed**

\* **The Hymn of the Day** # \_\_\_\_\_

**The Offering**

\* **Offering Response**

**“Doxology”**

\* **The Prayers of God's People**

\* **The Lord's Prayer**

\* **Benediction**

\* **The Sending Hymn** # \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

\* **The Dismissal**

*P:* Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord!      ***C: Thanks be to God!***

**Postlude**

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Announcements:**

<b><u>Weekly Events:</u></b>	
Tues. Aug. 13 –	10:00am – Prayer Shawl <b>3:30pm – Council Meeting</b>
Wed. Aug. 14 –	6:30am – Men's Bible Study 1:00pm – Prayers
Sat. Aug 17 –	7:00am – Gideons
<b>Sunday, Aug. 18 –</b>	<b>9:30 am Sunday Worship &amp; Communion</b> <b>10:45am Coffee Fellowship</b>

<b>Altar Flower Given by Pam &amp; Jerry Zibert for their 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</b>
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<b>CLUB 56 MUM SALE</b> Pre-order mums at <a href="mailto:princetonclub56@gmail.com">princetonclub56@gmail.com</a> \$20 each - mail check to <b>Princeton Club 56</b> <b>Box 56</b> <b>Princeton, IL 61356</b> Order by Sept. 6 – Pick up Sept. 13 Ev. Covenant parking lot Extra mums will be sold that day. Check posters.
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<b>Choir Begins August 21</b>
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<b>Security Task Force Meeting August 20 at 6:30pm</b>
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<b>PICTORIAL DIRECTORY</b>  Work is continuing on our Pictorial Directory. We have activity pages to fill with our groups & organizations, i.e. Circles, Council, Prayer Shawl, Quilters, Old Wheels, etc. Please get current pictures of your groups & submit them to the office by September 15 <sup>th</sup> . If you have any pictures of our activities, please share them with the office so we can complete our book.
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<b>Congratulations to Bob &amp; Eileen Prusator They are celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 16<sup>th</sup>.</b>
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