

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 25 & 28, 2022

The Humble Will Be Exalted; The Exalted Will Be Humbled

Opening Hymn 766, “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”
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Prayer of the Day: O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by your Holy Spirit to follow the example of your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING

Psalm of the Day (*On Insert*)..... Psalm 67B

SECOND READING

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Gospel Acclamation Verse: *For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, /* and those who humble themselves will be exalted. (SUNG! – See Pg. 161 for melody.)*

GOSPEL

Hymn of the Day 737, “Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way”

SERMON..... “A Humbling Experience” Luke 14:1,7-11

Offering Hymn 754 v. 2, “Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness

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Hymn 578, “Chief of Sinners Though I Be”

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Closing Hymn 623 vv. 1-3, “O Bless the Lord, My Soul”

FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6-7a

Solomon provides common sense about humility and pride.

Do not honor yourself in a king’s presence. Do not stand in a place reserved for great people, because it is better to be told, “Come up here,” than for you to be humiliated before a ruler.

SECOND READING: James 2:1-13

James teaches that showing favoritism treats others with judgment rather than mercy, putting us at risk of receiving the same from God.

My brothers, have faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ without showing favoritism. For example, suppose a man enters your worship assembly wearing gold rings and fine clothing, and a poor man also enters wearing filthy clothing. If you look with favor on the man wearing fine clothing and say, “Sit here in this good place,” but you tell the poor man, “Stand over there” or “Sit down here at my feet,” have you not made a distinction among yourselves and become judges with evil opinions? Listen, my dear brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom, which he promised to those who love him? But you dishonored the poor man. Don’t the rich oppress you, and don’t they drag you into court? Aren’t they the ones who blaspheme the noble name that was pronounced over you? However, if you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. But if you show favoritism, you are committing a sin, since you are convicted by this law as transgressors.

In fact, whoever keeps the whole law but stumbles in one point has become guilty of breaking all of it. For the one who said, “Do not commit adultery,” also said, “Do not commit murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do commit murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law of freedom. For there will be judgment without mercy on the one who has not shown mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1,7-14

Jesus teaches some ways to demonstrate humility and promises that those who humble themselves will be exalted.

One Sabbath day, when Jesus went into the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat bread, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how they were selecting the places of honor, he told the invited guests a parable. “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline in the place of honor, or perhaps someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him. The one who invited both of you may come and tell you, ‘Give this man your place.’ Then you will begin, with shame, to take the lowest place. “But when you are invited, go and recline in the lowest place, so that when the one who invited you comes, he will tell you, ‘Friend, move up to a higher place.’ Then you will have honor in the presence of all who are reclining at the table with you. “Yes, everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

He also said to the one who had invited him, “When you make a dinner or a supper, do not invite your friends, or your brothers, or your relatives, or rich neighbors, so that perhaps they may also return the favor and pay you back. “But when you make a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. Certainly, you will be repaid in the resurrection of the righteous.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEAD USHERS: Ross Schultz/Wayne Schultz; next Sunday: Dean Ebert/Mike Pamperin

ORGANISTS!! The **September** schedule is hanging on the **SCHOOL** bulletin board. Please look at your calendars in the near future and sign up for the date(s) you are willing to play for us. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY: Today is Fellowship Sunday! All are invited to stay for the refreshments being served immediately following Sunday's worship service. We thank the Jeremy & Karilynn Johnson Family for hosting today's fellowship hour!

SERVICE GROUP MEETING: The next Service Group meeting will be held immediately following the fellowship hour on **Sunday (TODAY), August 28**. One of the topics of discussion will be plans for our Mission Festival which is scheduled for **Sunday, September 25, 2022**. All confirmed congregational members are members of the Service Group and are invited and encouraged to participate.

CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU to those who helped with this year's float! The float took 1st place in the non-commercial division of the recent Iron Ridge Firemen's parade!

CALLING ALL GREETERS! We would like to re-institute having Greeters on Sunday morning worship services. However, we need to know if we have enough volunteers to do so. If this is something you would be willing to do, please sign up on the sheet located on the church bulletin board in the school hallway. You can sign up as a team or individually. We can make either work! If you have any questions, please direct them to any Elder (Bob Kriewald, Ronald Knueppel, or Dean Ebert).

SCHOOL JANITOR NEEDED: Brenda Moldenhauer has asked to step down from the school janitorial position, so we are in need of someone else to take over these duties. If you or someone you know would be interested in filling this position, please speak with Mr. Lorge or any of our School Board members (Sam Manning, Rick Fink, or Brian Youngbeck). This is a paid position. We would like to fill this position as soon as possible! Thank you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL/TEEN BIBLE STUDY: Sunday School and Teen Bible Study will begin again on **Sunday, September 18**. If you would like your children to participate in these classes, please sign them up on the sheet located on the **SCHOOL** bulletin board. Please be sure to put the age of your child(ren) down on the sheet along with their name(s) so we can place them in the appropriate class. If you have any questions about these classes or would be interested in helping with them, please speak with Pastor Mose today!

ADULT BIBLE CLASS will also begin on **Sunday, September 18**. Classes will begin at **10:15 AM** and end at **11:00 AM**.

WLA – HOT LUNCH: St. Matthew's has been assigned the dates of **Tuesday, September 6**, thru **Friday, September 9, 2022**, to serve hot lunch at WLA. The hours of services are from **9:30 AM – 1:30 PM**. If this is something you would be willing to do, please sign up on the sheet hanging on the church bulletin board. If you would like more information about helping, please contact **Wayne Schultz (920-948-1978)**. Thank you!

SCRIP ORDERS: A reminder that scrip orders for September will be due on **Thursday, September 1!** We are back to our regular schedule of every-other-week ordering. The second date in September will be **Thursday, September 15**. Orders can be placed on an order form (located on the school bulletin board) and dropped off in the school office, or you can order online at any time. If you'd like to find out how to establish an online scrip account or have any questions about our scrip program, please contact **Holly Daley (920-285-1307)**, our scrip coordinator. Remember! Scrip credits earned can be used toward the cost of tuition in the next school year while also benefitting our school!

FALL GOLF OUTING: This year's golf outing has been set for **Sunday, September 18**, beginning at **12:30 PM** at **HORICON HILLS GOLF COURSE**. We encourage you to invite family and friends to participate with us! The cost will be **\$50.00** for golfing with cart, meal, and door prizes. A sign-up sheet is posted on the church bulletin board for those who wish to participate. Questions about the outing may be directed to **Wayne Schultz (920-948-1978)** or **Christy Keller (920-210-5973)**.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Attendance: Thursday: 19; Sunday: 91

Offerings: \$3,366.85

(Budget Amount Needed Each Week: \$6,889.00)

Special Funds: Debt Retirement: \$50.00

Memorials: NONE

OUR WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW'S

Sunday:	Worship Service (FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY).....9:00 AM <i>Service Group Meeting – Immediately following Fellowship Hour</i>
Tuesday:	4K Orientation7:00 PM
Thursday:	1st Day of 4K – Classes begin12:30 PM Communion Worship Service7:00 PM SCRIP ORDERS DUE!
Friday:	NO SCHOOL – LABOR DAY WEEKEND BREAK
Sunday:	Communion Worship Service9:00 AM

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 67B



1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness
2 Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord! Be by all that
3 Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord, then en - joy your



of your face. Shine up - on us, Sav - ior, shine;
live a - dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing
rich re - ward! God to us his bless - ing give,



fill your Church with light di - vine, and your sav - ing
glo - ry to their Sav - ior King, at your feet their
we to God de - vot - ed live, all be - low and



health ex - tend to the earth's re - mot - est end.
trib - ute pay, and your ho - ly will o - bey.
all a - bove one in joy and light and love.

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