

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 8 & 11, 2022

The Found Are Left; The Lost Are Found

Opening Hymn	813, "He Will Hold Me Fast"
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Prayer of the Day: Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; 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 33B
SECOND READING	
Gospel Acclamation Verse: Alleluia. <i>There is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.</i> Alleluia.	
GOSPEL	
Hymn of the Day	654, "Jesus Sinners Does Receive"
SERMON.....	"The Savior Says, 'Rejoice With Me!'" Luke 15:1-10
Offering Hymn	749 v. 3, "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"
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Prayers/Lord's Prayer	
Hymn	706, "Come unto Me, Ye Weary"
Closing Prayer/Benediction	
Closing Hymn	928, "May the Grace of Christ Our Savior"

FIRST READING: Hosea 3:1-5

The LORD called Hosea to seek his adulterous wife and love her again. This served as an object lesson, showing our God is a God who seeks and redeems those who are lost.

The LORD said to me, "Go again. Show love to a woman who is loved by another man, a woman who keeps committing adultery. Show love just as the LORD loves the people of Israel, even though they keep turning to other gods and loving the raisin cakes."

So I bought her for myself for fifteen pieces of silver and nine bushels of barley. I said to her, "You will stay with me for many days. You must not be promiscuous. You must not be with any other man, and I will also be for you."

So the people of Israel will live many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred memorial stones, and without the special vest or family idols. Afterward the people of Israel will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the LORD and to his goodness in the latter days.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 2:5-11

A member of the church at Corinth had been lost in sin, but through loving church discipline, had been moved to repent. Paul encourages the members to lovingly welcome him back.

Now if anyone has caused sorrow, he has not done it to me, but to all of you to some extent (not to overstate it). This punishment inflicted on such a person by the majority is enough, so that instead you should rather forgive and comfort him, or else such a person could be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. For that reason, I urge you to reaffirm your love for him. In fact, this was also the purpose of my writing: I wanted to know the result of your being tested, that is, if you are obedient in all things. If you forgive anyone anything, I do too. To be sure, if I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven it in the presence of Christ for your sake, so that Satan would not take advantage of us. We are certainly not unaware of his schemes.

GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

Through two parables, Jesus rebukes those who consider themselves already found and not in need of repentance.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming to Jesus to hear him. But the Pharisees and the experts in the law were complaining, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

He told them this parable: "Which one of you, if you had one hundred sheep and lost one of them, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that was lost until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls together his friends and his neighbors, telling them, 'Rejoice with me, because I have found my lost sheep!' I tell you, in the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who do not need to repent."

"Or what woman who has ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, would not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls together her friends and neighbors and says, 'Rejoice with me, because I have found the lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEAD USHERS: Lyle Moldenhauer/Chris Zwycart; next week: Don Koch/Doug Schulz

LWMS FREE-WILL OFFERING: On **Thursday, September 15**, and **Sunday, September 18**, we will be taking a free-will offering to help support the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society. We hope many of you will consider supporting their mission efforts. Both cash and check donations are acceptable. If paying by check, please make payable to: **LWMS**. If you would like more information about LWMS, please speak with our congregational leader, Becky Schulz.

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 next **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 next **Sunday, September 18**. Classes will begin at **10:15 AM** and end at **11:00 AM**.

FALL GOLF OUTING: This year's golf outing has been set for next **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)**.

MISSION FEST: This year's Mission Festival worship service is set for **Sunday, September 25**, at **9:00 AM**. Dr. Rev. Paul Steinberg with Chaplains in Schools will be our guest speaker and will discuss spreading the Gospel through Christian school communities in inner city Milwaukee. All our school children will be singing for this service. There will also be a presentation following the worship service. The Service Group will be providing/serving "finger foods" prior to the presentation. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this special worship service and presentation. In addition, Pastor Steinberg has graciously agreed to be our guest speaker at the **Thursday (9/22)** evening worship service as well, so everyone has an opportunity to learn about this mission opportunity!

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God by Leo & Bonnie Borden in honor of Elmer & Irmgard Meyer's 71st wedding anniversary.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Attendance: Thursday: 36; Sunday: 87

Offerings: \$5,821.30

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

Special Funds: Debt Retirement: \$300.00

OUR WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW'S

Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 AM

Wednesday: Elders' Meeting 6:30 PM
Church Council..... 7:00 PM

Thursday: Communion Worship Service 7:00 PM
(LWMS: Free-Will Offering)
SCRIP ORDERS DUE

Sunday: Communion Worship Service 9:00 AM
(LWMS: Free-Will Offering)
Adult & Teen Bible Class/Sunday School..... 10:15 AM
Golf Outing (@ Horicon Hills) 12:30 PM

33B Rejoice, You Righteous, in the LORD

Psalm 33B



1 Re - joice, you right - eous, in the LORD, in song your
2 Let ev - 'ry na - tion, ev - 'ry land u - nite with
3 Be - hold, God's ev - er - watch - ful eye sees through our



voic - es raise; a - wake the psal - ter - y and harp, lift
one ac - cord and hum - bly lay their heart - felt prayers in
dark de - spair; the arms of grace en - cir - cle us with



up God's name in praise! For by God's word the
awe be - fore the LORD. How hap - py are God's
strong, yet ten - der care; the hope of all the



heav'ns were hung; God laid the sea and land, and all that
faith - ful ones, how blest God's cho - sen heirs, for sure - ly
a - ges past, that sets at peace our fears, God's mer - cy



fills the fir - ma - ment was made at God's com - mand.
an in - her - it - ance of glo - ry shall be theirs!
and God's stead - fast love shall fol - low all our years.

Tune: Gesang-Buch HerzogHofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784

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