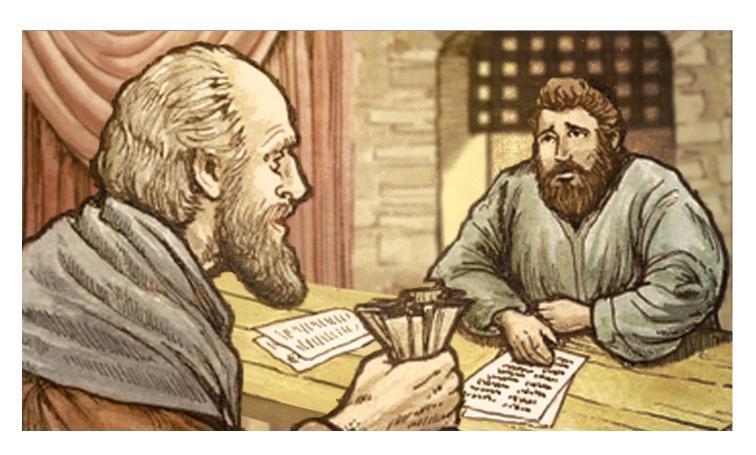
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Luke 16:1-13 - The Parable of the Shrewd Manager

Sunday, October 13, 2019 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

#### **Service Notes:**

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

### SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

(Hymnal page 26)

HYMN: #484 "Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly"

STAND

**M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

#### PRAYER AND PRAISE

## LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

## O LORD, OUR LORD



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and leave no one standing idle. Help us to order our lives by your wisdom and to serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**BE SEATED** 



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end,

<sup>5</sup> saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain?

And the Sabbath,

that we may offer wheat for sale,

that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances,

<sup>6</sup> that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" <sup>7</sup> The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

**PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 38** – The congregation will sing Hymn #424, "O God, Forsake Me Not"

## **SECOND LESSON:** 1 Timothy 2:1-8

**2** First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup> for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. <sup>7</sup> For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

<sup>8</sup> I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling;

**VERSE OF THE DAY:** (sung by the choir)

Alleluia! For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works. Alleluia!

## **GOSPEL:** Luke 16:1-13

16 He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup> And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' 3 And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup> I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6 He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' <sup>7</sup> Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' 8 The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

<sup>10</sup> "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. <sup>11</sup> If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? <sup>13</sup> No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or

he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."



**BE SEATED** 

#### GOSPEL RESPONSE: "What Shall I Render to the Lord"

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What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all his people, In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call on the name of the Lord.

## HYMN OF THE DAY: #421 "All Depends on Our Possessing"

**SERMON:** "What Is Mine? What Is Yours?"

Sermon Text: 1 Peter 1:24-25

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers, and the flower falls,

but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

#### STAND

## **NICENE CREED** (Hymnal page 31)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life (+) of the world to come. Amen.

**BE SEATED** 

#### **OFFERING**

STAND

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (Page 127)

**M:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

**M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

# C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

**M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

# C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

**M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

## C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

**M:** Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

## C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

**M:** Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

## C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.* 

**M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.

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#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

C: 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.



## THE SACRAMENT

(Hymnal page 33)

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

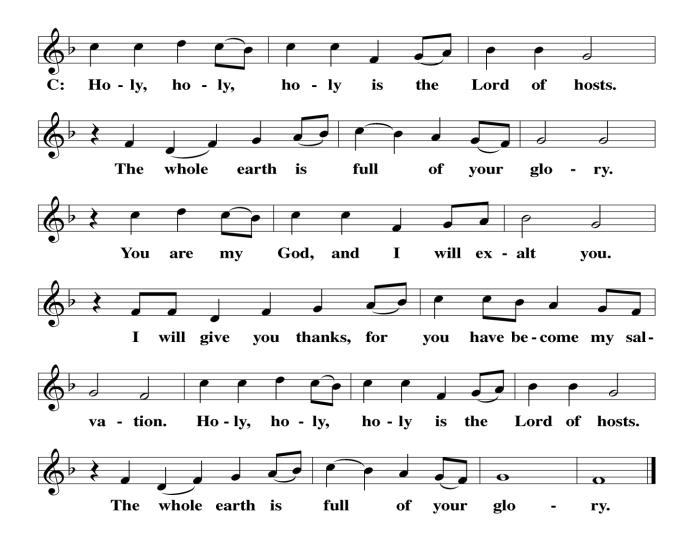


M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Sanctus



#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

## Agnus Dei



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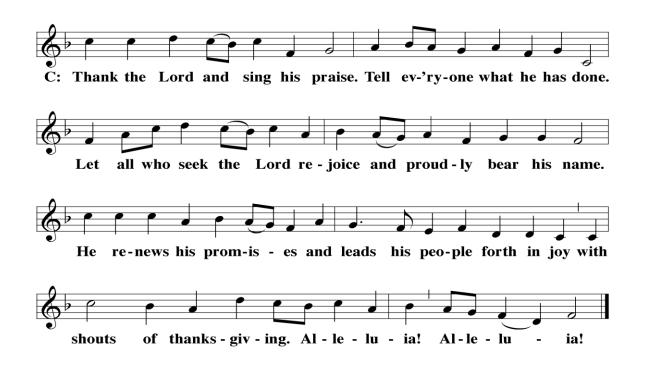
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### **THANKSGIVING**

(Hymnal page 36)

STAND

THANK THE LORD



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Choir: Senior Choir

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today

- 9:30 AM Divine Service
- -10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
- 2:00 PM Conference of Congregations Meeting at Huron Valley

Lutheran High School

Tuesday - 9:00 AM Kitchen cleaning for church and school

Wednesday - NO Bible Class

Thursday -7:00 PM Senior Choir rehearsal

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

- 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
- 1:30 3:00 PM Trunk or Treat (See back cover of bulletin.)

SERVING NEXT WEEK - Altar Guild: Lois Lanning; Ushering: Team #4

**Thank you to Pastor Mark Porinsky,** who is recently retired after years of service in the public ministry, lately at Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Dexter. Pastor Porinsky is officiating at St. Peter's while Pastor Schaefer is on vacation.

**Vacation –** Pastor Schaefer is on vacation from October 4 through October 19. If you have an emergency, please contact Pastor John Gierach of St. John, Ann Arbor at 734.761.1740.

**Kitchen Cleaning –** on Tuesday, October 15, at 9:00 AM, please come for kitchen cleaning and organizing in the church and school. We especially need to clean the school kitchen stove (a difficult task). We hope to see you there! Call or text Nancy Winkler at 734.718.5501 for more information.

**Trunk or Treat –** Please join your fellow congregation members in this outreach event to the community. Decorate your car and pass out candy to neighborhood children and their families. See the notice on the back page of the bulletin.

**PASTORAL CARE & MERCY –** Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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## TRUNK OR TREAT

## Sunday, October 20, 2019 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

A "thank you" to everyone who is willing to decorate a car and to pass out candy. Please notify Mrs. Lohrmann of your intent so plans can be finalized. Extra candy would also be welcome.

All vehicles should be in their spots in the church parking lot no later than **1:15 PM**. It's not too late to join the fun! You can reach Rebecca Lohrmann at 734.417.0428 or lohrmann@yahoo.com.

Any and all help is greatly appreciated! This event is for our church, preschool, and the community. Please come, and invite your friends and family, too!