**Worship Times** Sunday: 9:00 AM **Coffee Hour** Sunday: 10:00 AM Sunday school Sunday: 10:00AM **Building Hours Mon-Thurs** 8:30 - 7:00 Fri-Sun 8:30-2:00 **Office Hours** Mon, Tues, & Thurs 8:30 - 3:00 Wednesday 8:30-4:00 Friday 8:30 - 2:00 **Pastor** Matthew Hausken hauskenmatt8@gmail.com **Parish Minister** Jeni Skeie jeniskeie@gmail.com Admin. Assist. Sue Altmann crossofcalvary@gmail.com crossofcalvary.net **Custodian Craig Boen** 



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July 31 – August 7

Sunday 07.31

31 Worship Service at 9:00 AM Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM Bridal Shower for Whitney Trongard 1-3 PM

Men's Bible Study 6:30 & 7:00 AM

10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation retreat

Women's Bible at 9:00 AM

Monday 08.01

Tuesday 08.02

Wednesday 08.03

Thursday 08.04

Friday 08.05

Saturday 08.06

Sunday 08.07

Wedding (Weibel)

Worship Services: 9:00 Communion Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM

#### **August Worship Assistants**

Ushers: Drew Sagedahl, Daren Sagedahl & any help is welcome! Acolytes: Addelyn & Emersyn Malvin Sound Board/Clicker: Communion Helper: Bob Erickson Altar Guild: Amanda Malvin & Angela Cole



Michelle Hanson – Friend of the Greg & Kathy Helin Joan Rosenow – Family & Friends Zoe Orth – Family & Friends Bob Wittman – Family & Friends Ava Koep – Friends & Family Chrissy Boen – Family & Friends Liz Elfering – Family & Friends Marlene Bratsch – Friends & Family Clifford Metteer - Family Jon Hackman Family Carol Horrmann – Friends & Family Lyn Tesch – Family & Friends Pat Aalderks – Family & Friends Ric Aalderks – Friends & Family Brandon Ochs – Family & Friends Candy Kath – Pam Olson's sister Laurie Hogberg – Family & Friends Trevor Solem – Friends and Family Chet Boen – Family & Friends

United Community Action Partnership (UCAP) is taking on the Renville County Back to School Supplies Program by distributing school supplies to students who can benefit from the assistance. Our communities want ALL students to be prepared to go back to school prior to the start of school! UCAP is collecting all essential supplies and accepting financial donations to accomplish this goal. The cost of supplies has increased in recent years making financial contributions even more essential. It also translates to a higher request in needs as families struggle to provide the basic supplies required to start the school year. Please put supplies in the box provided or drop off at UCAP's office in Olivia by August 15th. Cash donations can be donated at any time. Contact Jean Duane at 320-523-1842 ext. 1391 with any questions. Financial contributions can be made out to UCAP and in the Memo: Renville County. Mail donations to: UCAP, 1635 W. Lincoln Ave, Olivia, MN 56277

(Please put donation on the bench in the Narthex until a box is provided.)

# July 31, 2022 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



Our lives are renewed daily in Christ.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Luke 12:13-21 Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 Colossians 3:1-11 Ephesians 4:17-24 Psalm 19:7-13 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 Psalm 49:1-12 Luke 12:32-40 Parable of the rich fool Wisdom makes sense New life in Christ The old life and the new The wonders of God Living by faith Do not depend on wealth Seek treasures in heaven

#### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. Colossians 3:2-3 (NRSV)

#### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty and Eternal God, we thank you that you bring us new life each day, a life that one day will be fully revealed with Christ in glory. Amen.

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

For life and health and every blessing, including this gift of food today, we give you thanks, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### A Blessing to Give:

May the glory of Christ lead you into each new day with hope.

## **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:
What is something most people do not know about you?
How would you describe to someone else a life in Christ?

### DEVOTIONS

#### Read: Colossians 3:1-11.

This is a beautiful passage that brings comfort and encouragement for a life in Christ. God sees what the world cannot see. Our lives are hidden in the grace and mercy of Christ. How wonderful is that? Our true identities will not always be hidden: "When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory" (v. 4). The scripture reading begins, "So if you have been raised with Christ." It really means "since you have been raised with Christ." There is no conditional "if" implied, but an absolute "since." Because of God in Christ, we have a beautiful and joyous life that will be fully revealed one day. In the meantime, we live believing this. We continue to "put to death" those behaviors and attitudes that are inconsistent with a life in Christ. We already live the resurrection life, being renewed each day confessing our shortcomings, our sin, and receiving grace, mercy, and forgiveness. Wow! **Discuss:** What does it mean to you to know that through the resurrection your life is renewed each day?

**Pray:** Almighty God, help us to trust that our future is filled with goodness and mercy and that our lives are being renewed each day, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how might you serve others with grace and mercy?

## **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Being "rich towards God" (Luke 12:21) means growing in generosity toward those who are in need. Giving regularly to God's work in and through the church is a practice for keeping our accumulation of earthly things in check. Setting aside a portion of our income for giving to those in need reminds us that God is the giver of all we have. Think or talk about how you determine your financial giving to others and why it is important to give in this way. Encourage children by teaching them about: Giving – for the needs and benefit of others; Saving – to reach a goal, instead of instant gratification; and, Spending – making wise purchasing decisions.