

JULY 31, 2022
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 Church Year Cycle C



THEME FOR THE WEEK:
Our lives are renewed daily in Christ.

WEEKLY MILESTONES: 

Take a moment to have each person share a recent mountain high and/or valley low in their lives.

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE 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)***

GOSPEL READING INTRODUCTION: 

In this reading Jesus tells a crowd of listeners the parable of the rich fool after someone in the crowd requests that Jesus tell his brother to divide the family inheritance with him.

GOSPEL READING: **Read: Luke 12:13-21** **Parable of the rich fool**

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS: **?**

<p>1. In this reading, what did Jesus say to the person who asked him to tell his brother to divide the family inheritance with him?</p>	<p>A Only if you share with me as well B Greediness is one of the deadly sins C Who set me to be a judge or arbitrator? D Is your brother rich towards God as well?</p>
<p>2. In this reading, what did the rich man think to himself when he had more crops than he could store?</p>	<p>A I will pull down my barns and build larger ones B I will sell the surplus and invest in gold C I will share the surplus with the needy D I will sell the surplus and buy sheep</p>
<p>3. In this reading, what did Jesus say happened to the rich man who had laid up goods for many years?</p>	<p>A He relaxed, ate, drank, and was merry B God demanded his life that very night C A fire burnt down his barns D A flood destroyed the contents of his barns</p>

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SCRIPTURE READING DISCUSSION:

- What words stay in your mind or what ideas do you have from this reading?
- What message do you hear for us in this reading?
- How does this reading influence your thoughts, feelings, or future actions?

RELATED READINGS FOR REVIEW AND HIGHLIGHTING:

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 **Wisdom makes sense**

Colossians 3:1-11 **New life in Christ**

Ephesians 4:17-24 **The old life and the new**

Psalm 19:7-13 **The wonders of God**

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 **Living by faith**

Psalm 49:1-12 **Do not depend on wealth**

RELATED READINGS DISCUSSION:

What similar themes or general concept did you discover in these related readings? How do they connect to the theme of the week?

HYMN OF THE WEEK:

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

Text: William McComb (1793-1870)

Music: Richard Redhead (1820-1901))

[Evangelical Lutheran Worship #609]



https://youtu.be/U6AaZIL_v-k

CLOSING PRAYER:

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

CLOSING BLESSING:

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