

**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><b>A</b> Only if you share with me as well  <b>B</b> Greediness is one of the deadly sins  <b>C</b> Who set me to be a judge or arbitrator?  <b>D</b> 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><b>A</b> I will pull down my barns and build larger ones  <b>B</b> I will sell the surplus and invest in gold  <b>C</b> I will share the surplus with the needy  <b>D</b> 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><b>A</b> He relaxed, ate, drank, and was merry  <b>B</b> God demanded his life that very night  <b>C</b> A fire burnt down his barns  <b>D</b> A flood destroyed the contents of his barns</p>

Answer key on page 2



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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**

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

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

**Psalms 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](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.



Answer Key: 1-C, 2-A, 3-B