Old Testament Jeremiah 15:15–21

<sup>15</sup>O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. <sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. <sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. <sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail?

<sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. <sup>20</sup>And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. <sup>21</sup>I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

Epistle Romans 12:9–21

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in

harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. <sup>17</sup>Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

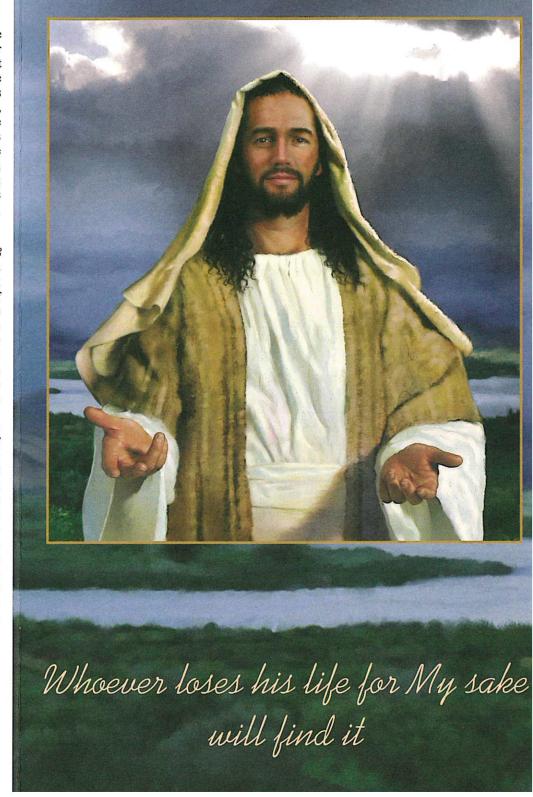
Holy Gospel Matthew 16:21–28

<sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? <sup>27</sup>For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. <sup>28</sup>Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."



About the Cover: We get so caught up with living that we lose focus on what is really important for our eternal life. As we seek to provide for our family, we tend to overlook God's purpose for our life. Jesus reminds us of the importance of a life lived in and through Him. Living our lives as His people, we anticipate the fulfillment of His promise of eternal life.



# 12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 30 & September 3, 2017 Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Three p. 184

Hymns: 842, 531, 805, 851, 566, 789

Sermon: "Lost Life for Jesus' Sake" Matthew 16:21-28

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.

#### THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 8/23 (Wed.): 44 Comm.: 42 Offering: \$ 774.00 Attendance 8/27 (Sun.): 83 Comm.: 59 Offering: \$1,824.00

Budget Needs: \$3,330.00

### KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WEDS (9/06) 3:30-4:30 Confirmation Class

7:00 p.m. Worship Installation of S.S. Staff

8:00 p.m. Stewardship/Evangelism

SUN (9/10) 8:00 a.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Day of S.S./No B.C.

9:00 a.m. Worship
Installation of S.S. Staff
10:00 a.m. Pig Roast/Potluck

**TODAY'S BULLETINS** are sponsored by Pastor & Kris in memory of Gary Wildhagen.

## CHURCH SECRETARY WANTED - Skills required:

keyboarding, word-processing, photocopying, communicative abilities. Approx. 20 hrs./week. Starting wage is \$10/hr. Applications and a more complete job description can be picked up in the church office. Deadline for applications is September 10.

SUNDAY SCHOOL begins next Sunday, September 10 at 8 a.m.

**OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE** will be held next Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. We will gather on the east side of the church with the memorial garden as our backdrop. Bring your lawn chairs and your friends!

**PIG ROAST/POTLUCK** will be held next Sunday in the fellowship hall following the outdoor worship service. There are 2 sign-up sheets posted on the bulletin board: one to indicate the number attending and one for your 'dish to pass'.

**COLLEGE ADDRESSES**: Be sure to drop off your school address as well as your school email at the church office or email the information to sblcbrillion@gmail.com as soon as you have them. *Thank you*.

**PRODUCE TABLE** – If you have any extra garden produce during the summer months that you would like to share with members of the congregation, drop it off on the table in the coat room. Items can be left on or taken from the table anytime during the week.

#### **OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE**

Matthew 6:25 For what will profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? He who dies with the most toys....is dead. But the one who trusts in the Lord, even though he dies, yet shall he live. We live out our trust in the Lord by faithfully fulfilling the roles God has given us to play in home, church and society as loving, generous people. Those who don't know the Lord are afraid to be generous because they think that what they give away is lost to them. But we who know the Lord know that the things of this world become true blessings when they are used for God's kingdom.