

Old Testament

Exodus 35:4-29

⁴Moses said to all the congregation of the people of Israel, "This is the thing that the LORD has commanded. ⁵Take from among you a contribution to the LORD. Whoever is of a generous heart, let him bring the LORD's contribution: gold, silver, and bronze; ⁶blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen; goats' hair, tanned rams' skins, and goatskins; acacia wood, ⁸oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, ⁹and onyx stones and stones for setting, for the ephod and for the breastpiece.

¹⁰Let every skillful craftsman among you come and make all that the LORD has commanded: ¹¹the tabernacle, its tent and its covering, its hooks and its frames, its bars, its pillars, and its bases; ¹²the ark with its poles, the mercy seat, and the veil of the screen; ¹³the table with its poles and all its utensils, and the bread of the Presence; ¹⁴the lampstand also for the light, with its utensils and its lamps, and the oil for the light; ¹⁵and the altar of incense, with its poles, and the anointing oil and the fragrant incense, and the screen for the door, at the door of the tabernacle; ¹⁶the altar of burnt offering, with its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its utensils, the basin and its stand; ¹⁷the hangings of the court, its pillars and its bases, and the screen for the gate of the court; ¹⁸the pegs of the tabernacle and the pegs of the court, and their cords; ¹⁹the finely worked garments for ministering in the Holy Place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, for their service as priests."

²⁰Then all the congregation of the people of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. ²¹And they came, everyone whose heart stirred him, and everyone whose spirit moved him, and brought the LORD's contribution to be used for the tent of meeting, and for all its service, and for the holy garments. ²²So they came, both men and women. All who were of a willing heart brought brooches and earrings and signet rings and armlets, all sorts of gold objects, every man dedicating an offering of gold to the LORD. ²³And every one who possessed blue or purple or scarlet yarns or fine linen or goats' hair or tanned rams' skins or goatskins brought them. ²⁴Everyone who could make a contribution of silver or bronze brought it as the LORD's contribution. And every one who possessed acacia wood of any use in the work brought it. ²⁵And every skillful woman spun with her hands, and they all brought what they had spun in blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen. ²⁶All the women whose hearts stirred them to use their skill spun the goats' hair. ²⁷And the leaders brought onyx stones and stones to be set, for the ephod and for the breastpiece, ²⁸and spices and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the fragrant incense. ²⁹All the men and women, the people of Israel, whose heart moved them to bring anything for the work that the LORD had commanded by Moses to be done brought it as a freewill offering to the LORD.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

⁶The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each one must give as he has made up his mind,

not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. ⁹As it is written, "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." ¹⁰He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for all your generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. ¹²For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. ¹³By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission flowing from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

Holy Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

¹[Jesus] 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. ²And 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.' ³And 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. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' ⁷Then 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.' ⁸The 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. ⁹And 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.

¹⁰"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. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³No 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."



Well done, good and faithful servant Matthew 25:21



Pentecost

About the Cover: The Holy Spirit has worked in us the gift of faith. That gift was not given to us to hide it from others, but rather to regift, so to speak. In our work, we bear witness to Jesus and His love for all mankind. When we faithfully share this gift of faith, the Lord is pleased, and we, too, will hear Him say, "Well done, good and faithful servant."



24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 15 & 19, 2017

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Four p. 203
Hymns: 851, 787, 805, 617, 685, 781, 785
Sermon: "Managing God's Gift of Money"
Exodus 35:4-29; 2 Corinthians 9:6-15; Luke 16:1-13

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 11/8 (Wed.): 35 Offering: \$798.00
Attendance 11/12 (Sun.): 106 Offering: \$1,215.00
S.S. - 18 Staff - 5
Budget Needs: \$3,330.00 Scrip Profit 11/12: \$104.25

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

SUN (11/19) 5:30 p.m. - Elders
TUES (11/21) 9:45 a.m. - Circuit Pastor's Conf. - Chilton.
WEDS (11/22) 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class
 7:00 p.m. - Thanksgiving Worship w/ Comm.
SUN (11/26) 8:00 a.m. - Sunday School/Bible Class
 9:00 a.m. - Worship w/Communion

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember the deer hunters.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by the Delvaux family in memory of Terri's father.

THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS CARDS are available in the card room.

SCRIP FOR CHRISTMAS is available. Lots of \$5 and \$10 gifts cards for Starbucks, Walmart, Barnes and Noble, Bath & Body Works. Great stocking stuffers or last minute gifts!

FOOD 'N MORE DEADLINE is Sunday, November 26. Don't forget to drop off your non-perishable items.

PLEASE JOIN US for the Ladies Aid Christmas Party on Thursday December 14th at 12:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All ladies are invited. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board so we know how many to prepare for.

HOLIDAY COOKIE EXCHANGE. Ladies of St. Bart's, if you would like to be a part of a Christmas Cookie Exchange, sign your name of the sheet on the bulletin board with the kind and amount of cookies you would like to bake. Bring the amount of cookies you sign up for on Friday December 8th. The exchange will take place on Saturday December 9th from 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. You will get a variety of cookies in the amount that you brought. Bake cookies, get cookies and you will get a variety for the holidays. Include your recipe if you wish.

CHRISTMAS TREE SELLERS are needed. Sign up for one, or may be two, time slots. The proceeds will provide a house for a family in a Third World country. Extra proceeds will help Nicole Wittmann on her mission trip.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS are available at www.lhm.org/advent.

YOUTH GROUP will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army red kettle on Thursday Nov 30th and Dec 21st both times are 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board.

REMINDER to all Youth Group, the next meeting will be Sunday December 3rd following the church service.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE - Philippians 3:19 *"Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things."* There is the danger in setting our minds on earthly things, serving mammon, and caring more for our bodily comfort than our spiritual well-being. God does not tell us to be faithful and generous in our stewardship of the things of this earth to ruin our fun. Rather, he tells us to give generously to teach us how to make sure the things of this world do not lay a hold of our hearts.