

Old Testament

Isaiah 61:1-7

¹The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; ²to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³to grant to those who mourn in Zion—to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified. ⁴They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

⁵Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks; foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers; ⁶but you shall be called the priests of the LORD; they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God; you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their glory you shall boast. ⁷Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

¹I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—⁴and he heard things that cannot be told,

which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

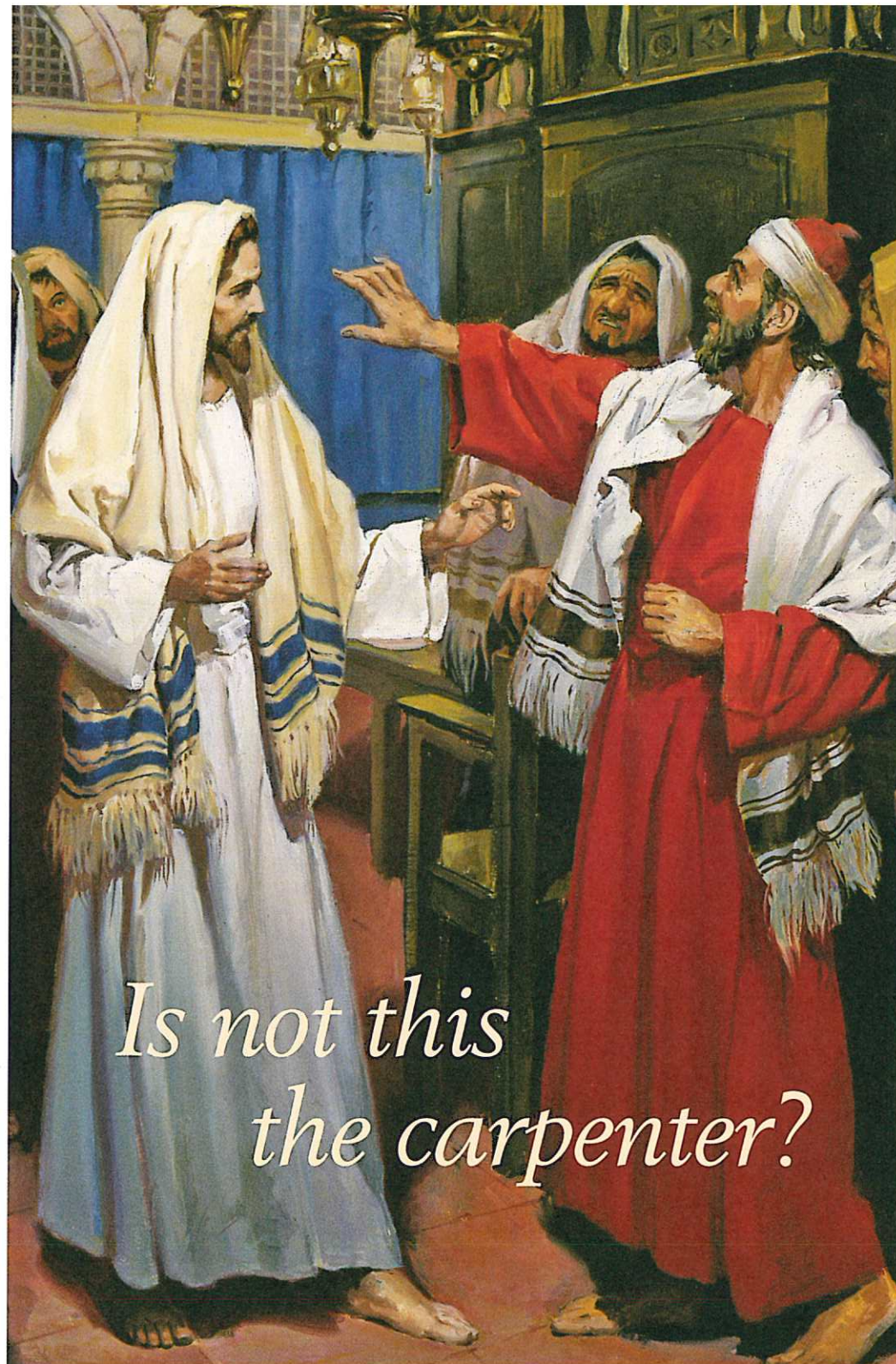
¹⁰For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Holy Gospel

Luke 22:24-30

²⁴A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵And he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. ²⁷For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves.

²⁸"You are those who have stayed with me in my trials, ²⁹and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, ³⁰that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.



*Is not this
the carpenter?*



About the Cover: It is not exactly a welcome homecoming when Jesus' own town of Nazareth chooses to see Him only according to what they know. Their unbelief prevents them from listening to His Word. By God's grace, Christ has welcomed us into the city of God by giving us ears to hear His Word and trust in Him. We are eternal citizens of His kingdom now because Christ has adopted us into the family of God by His cross and resurrection.

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 30 & July 4, 2021

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Sermon: "Mightier Than the Thorn"
2 Corinthians 12:1-10

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 6/23 (Wed.): 21	Offering: \$710.00
Attendance 6/27 (Sun): 44	Offering: \$1,180.04
Budget Needs: \$3,541	Scrip Profit 6/27: \$31.50
Church Roof Fund: \$2,415.00	

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (7/7) 7:00 p.m. – Worship
SUN (7/11) 9:00 a.m. – Worship

"RAISE THE ROOF" – We are approximately half way to our goal. Consider buying one or a few bundles of shingles. A bundle is \$105. The complete project cost is \$19,300. The project is scheduled to take place this coming week.

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.

VACATIONING? Try *Electronic Offering with Joyful Response*. In thanksgiving for all we've been given, we joyfully give back to our Lord in offering. If you are planning any vacations, don't forget your offering. LCEF's *Joyful Response* will help you give automatically directly from your checking or savings account whether you are at home or away.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Luke 5:5 – "And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.' "
In Peter's words there are both exasperation and trust. He's tired. He tried his best and failed. But he is still ready to trust the Lord's word – and act on it. Our stewardship is also a matter of trusting the Lord's word – and acting on it.

