

Old Testament *Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9*

¹“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. ...

⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’

⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

Epistle *Ephesians 6:10–20*

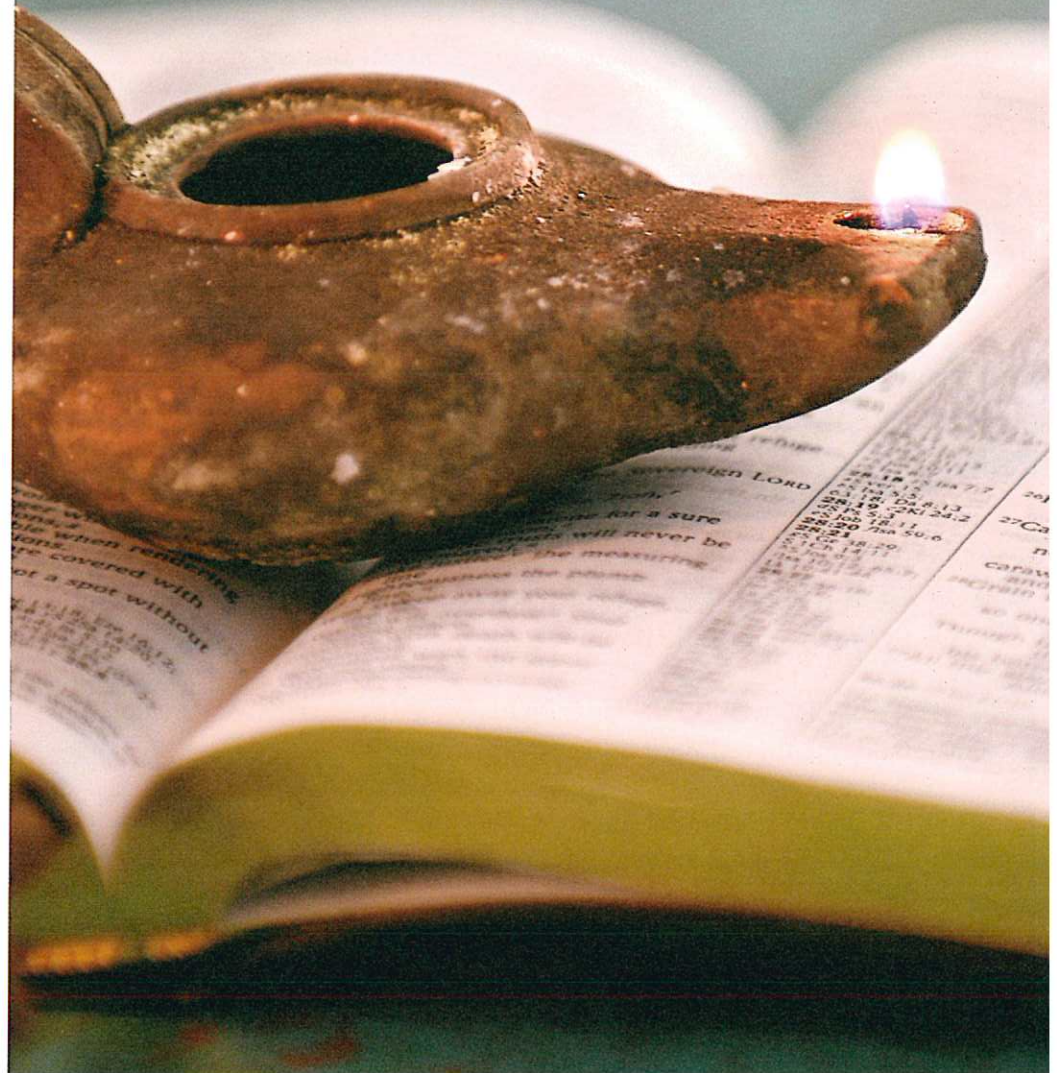
¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and

having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Holy Gospel *Mark 7:14–23*

¹⁴[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

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About the Cover: As Moses instructs the people on the Lord’s teaching to keep His Word diligently, he calls them to never forget what they had witnessed of God’s redeeming them from slavery and His providence through the desert. The Lord’s Word is a lamp to our feet (Psalm 119:105). As we seek the light of God’s Word for our daily lives, let us also never forget the redemption we have received in Christ Jesus, our Lord—He who died, rose, ascended, and is coming again.

14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 25 & 29, 2021

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Four p. 203
Hymns: 657, 660, 805, 728, 664, 662
Sermon: "Put On the Gospel Armor"
Ephesians 6:10-20

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 8/18 (Wed.): 36 Offering: \$662.00
Attendance 8/22 (Sun): 55 Offering: \$801.08
Budget Needs: \$3,541 Scrip Profit 8/22: \$15.55
Church Roof Fund: \$320

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (9/1) **7:00 p.m. – Worship w/Comm.**
FRI (9/3) 3:00 p.m. – Adult Information Class
SUN (9/5) **9:00 a.m. – Worship w/Comm.**

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in God's glory by Rich & Susie Gustafson in honor of their anniversary.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Rich & Susie Gustafson in honor of their anniversary.

THANK YOU to Pastor Marvin Ahlborn for sharing God's Word with us and leading us in worship today!

PASTOR ON VACATION – August 23-30 – If pastoral care is needed, contact Pastor Brett Simek @ Trinity, Rantoul (618-410-9827) or one of the elders.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS will begin on Sunday, September 12 at **8 a.m.**

COLLEGE ADDRESSES – It's that time of year again. College students and parents of college students please share your or your son's/daughter's college contact information (address, phone #, email address) with the church office as soon as you have it. *Thank you!*

SCRIP is available for purchase after most worship services, in the church office during the week, or by pre-ordering by calling Renee Bonick (920-296-9164).

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.

JOYFUL GIVING – Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you probably do with your other obligations? St. Bartholomew offers electronic giving for those of you who wish to have contributions transferred electronically to the church's account. If you have plans to travel this summer, electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep us with your intended offerings. Contact the church office to complete a form.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Luke 10:25 – "And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' " That's just not a good question! Doing and inheriting just don't go together. What can you do to inherit the English throne? Nothing. Inheriting is about birth right; doing is about merit. We receive eternal life by birth right in our Baptism into Christ. All of our doing in the Kingdom of God flows from who we are by our new birth. It can never be the other way around. So today we remember St. John the Baptist who, because he believed the Lord, walked in His ways and gained the crown of life in martyrdom.