

## Old Testament

Genesis 18:20–33

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, “Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, <sup>21</sup>I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know.”

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham drew near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake.”

<sup>27</sup>Abraham answered and said, “Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him and said, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” <sup>30</sup>Then he said, “Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” <sup>31</sup>He said, “Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” <sup>32</sup>Then he said, “Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.” <sup>33</sup>And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

## Second Reading

Colossians 2:6–19

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands,

by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

<sup>16</sup>Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. <sup>17</sup>These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

## Holy Gospel

Luke 11:1–13

<sup>1</sup>Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, “When you pray, say: ‘Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread, <sup>4</sup>and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.’”

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything?’ <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”



**About the Cover:** The Lord's Prayer is a tremendous gift to the Church. Jesus teaches us in this prayer to keep the Lord's name holy among us, to trust in His providence, to forgive others as He has forgiven us, and to trust that He will guard and keep us in our lives as His disciples. Our prayer life is one of dependence upon God for all things, just as He has provided that which is most important already: the forgiveness of sins in Christ, by whom our prayers are heard.

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.





## 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 20 & 24, 2022

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

St. Bartholomew Lutheran Church      Rev. Joshua Brandmahl, Pastor  
105 Horn St., Brillion, WI      Wednesday, Emma Levash, Organist  
(920) 756-3031 (Church Office)      Sunday, Jessica Krueger, Organist  
(785) 307-1381 (Pastor Cell)      Pastor Email: sblcpastor@gmail.com  
www.stbartbrillion.org      Secretary Email: sblcoffice105@gmail.com

Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Three p. 184

Hymns: 819, 766 (v. 1-5) 649

Sermon: Luke 11:1-13

### THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 7/13	(Wed): 27	Comm.: 25	Offering: \$285.00
Attendance 7/17	(Sun): 52	Comm.: 43	Offering: \$1,412.18
Budget Needs:	\$3,594		Scrip Profit 7/17: \$39.75

### KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (7/27)      7:00 p.m. – Worship Service w/Comm.

SUN (7/31)      9:00 a.m. – Worship Service w/Comm.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in God's glory by Bryan & Jeannine Krepline in honor of their anniversary.

**TODAY'S BULLETINS** are sponsored by Bryan & Jeannine Krepline in honor of their anniversary.

**PASTOR'S PHONE** – The parsonage no longer has a landline. If you need to contact Pastor Brandmahl after office hours you can reach him on his cell phone: 785-307-1381.

**NEW EMAIL ADDRESS** – There is a new email address for the secretary. It is sblcoffice105@gmail.com.

**SCRIP UPDATE** – BP Gas is available. They come in \$50's and \$100's.

**PARSONAGE ITEMS** – In the Sunday School room across from the bathrooms, there are several light fixtures and ceiling fans that were removed from the parsonage. They are free for the taking. Anything left after August 1st will be thrown away.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** – *The Garms Family* will be here on Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup> for our 9 a.m. service. A door offering will be received to support their music ministry. Invite your friends and family!

**ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH PICNIC** – Saturday July 23, 12 pm – 11 pm. Potluck buffet 4:00 -7:00 pm – free will offering and campfire service – 7:00 p.m.

**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**

**Matthew 5:23** – “So if you are offering your gift at the altar. . .” Jesus connects our generosity toward God's Kingdom to our love and forgiveness toward our brethren in the Kingdom. Both grow out of God's love toward us. We forgive as we have been forgiven, and we give as we have been given to. All our growth in sanctification is growing into our Heavenly Father's own actions through thankful imitation.