

## Old Testament

*Amos 6:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! <sup>2</sup>Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, <sup>3</sup>O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? <sup>4</sup>“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, <sup>5</sup>who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, <sup>6</sup>who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! <sup>7</sup>Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

## Epistle

*1 Timothy 3:1-13*

<sup>1</sup>The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. <sup>2</sup>Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, <sup>3</sup>not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. <sup>4</sup>He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, <sup>5</sup>for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church? <sup>6</sup>He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. <sup>7</sup>Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

<sup>8</sup>Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. <sup>9</sup>They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience.

<sup>10</sup>And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. <sup>11</sup>Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. <sup>12</sup>Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. <sup>13</sup>For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 16:19-31*

<sup>19</sup>[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup>who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup>and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup>And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup>And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup>But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup>And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup>He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

# The office of overseer, ... a noble task



**About the Cover:** Your pastor has been called to the noble task of preaching God’s Word to you and administering His Sacraments. It is by far the most important thing that he is called to do. Therefore, it is right that we should always seek to support and pray for our pastors in this crucial work so that each of the Lord’s congregations is continually edified by the Gospel proclamation of Jesus Christ and Him crucified for the forgiveness of sins.



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

September 21 & 25, 2022

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Three p. 184  
Hymns: 797, 708, 730

## THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 9/14 (Wed): 32	Comm.: 29	Offering: \$591.08
Attendance 9/18 (Sun): 70	Comm.: 47	Offering: \$1,460.09
Budget Needs: \$3,594		Scrip Profit 9/18: \$29.13
S.S. – 8	Staff – 5	B.C. – 13

## KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (9/28) No Confirmation Class  
6:00 p.m. – Choir  
7:00 p.m. – Worship w/Comm.  
SUN (10/2) 8:00 a.m. – S.S./No B.C.  
9:00 a.m. – Worship w/Comm.  
*LWML Sunday*

**IN OUR PRAYERS** we remember Bud & Elaine Zeamer for their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in God's glory by Jay & Amy Krahn in honor of their anniversary.

**PASTOR ON VACATION** – September 26 – October 3 – If pastoral care is needed, you may call Pastor Brandmahl on his cell phone (785) 307-1381.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED** – We are in need of Sunday school teachers for the upcoming year. If interested, contact Amanda Zoellner.

**ADULT INFORMATION CLASS** – If anyone is interested in joining our congregation from a non-Lutheran background or is interested in learning the basics of our beliefs as Lutherans, contact Pastor Brandmahl so a class can be set up.

**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.

**RASPBERRY BUSHES** – If you would like some raspberry bushes, contact Pastor or Kris Krueger at 920-871-4039.

## **OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE**

**Matthew 6:25a** – “Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life.” God is in charge. God is our loving Father. Put those two statements together, and they spell the end of worry and anxiety. Yes, we will have crosses to bear. Yes, we will have difficulties. But, through it all, our loving heavenly Father is in charge, and He will carry us through. It is that simple faith, the faith of a child, that frees us from worry. And in the absence of worry, faith can step forward in bold action and into the kind of generosity that can only operate in an atmosphere of trust.