

SERMON TEXT: Luke 12:13-21 (ESV)

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” ¹⁴But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ ¹⁸And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.’ ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

SERMON OUTLINE

I. The problem with covetousness: Time misspent...

II. The parable of the rich man: Out of time!...

III. The pronouncement of Jesus: Time redeemed...

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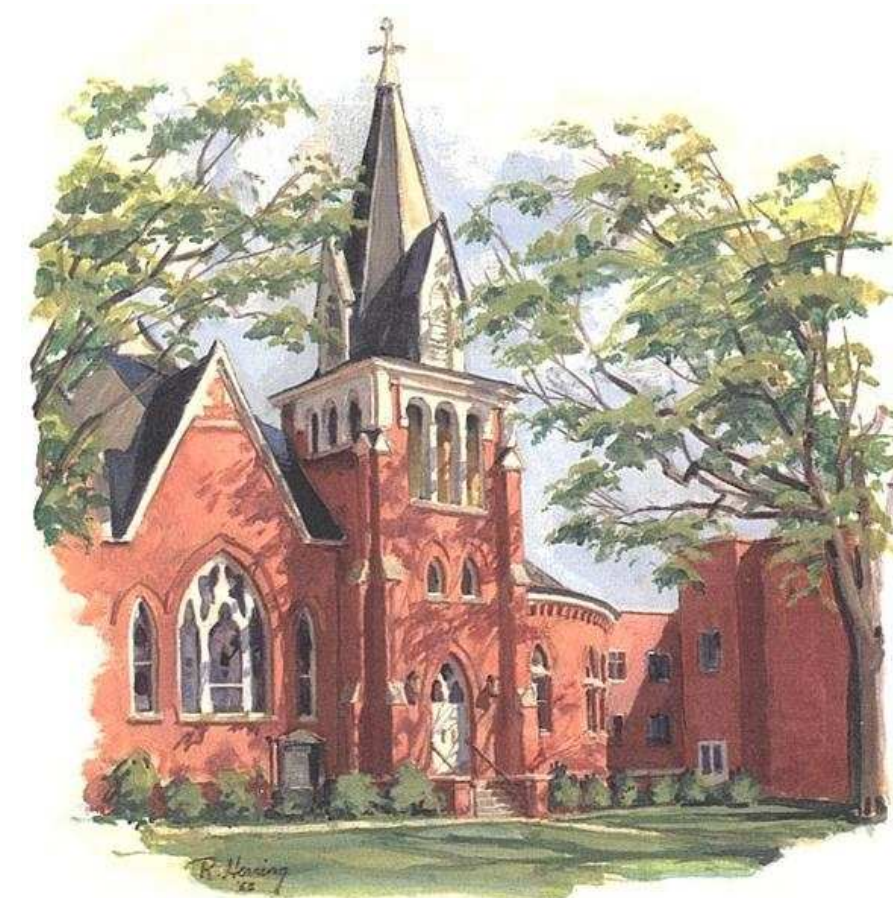
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August 24, 2008 ♦ 11:00 A.M.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP..... Tyler Domske

Welcome and Announcements
 Invocation

PRELUDE: Adagio..... Bennett
 Joanne Daykin, Organist

***THE DOXOLOGY: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**.....34
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all
 creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***OPENING SENTENCES**..... Fred Coates
 Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
People: Who made heaven and earth.
 Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.
People: Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.
 Leader: Praise the Lord.
People: The Lord’s name be praised.

***HYMN: This Is My Father’s World**.....21

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; that he was buried; that he was raised on the third day; and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. He is the first and the last, the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. He is our Lord and our God. Amen.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

THE WORD OF GOD READ: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8..... p. 588
Mary Beth Stutts

***HYMN:** *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*..... 134

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts, we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength. . .

Thanksgiving

Intercession

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: *The Fruit of the Spirit*.....Forrest
Chancel Choir

*Response: *For the Life You Have Given*..... 684

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

*Prayer of Dedication

THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED: Luke 12:13-21

Life Management 101: Managing Your Time.....Clay Brown

***HYMN:** *Jesus Calls Us o’er the Tumult* (Verses 1-3)..... 345

***GOING IN GOD’S NAME**

Invitation

Charge and Benediction

Response: *Jesus Calls Us o’er the Tumult* (Verse 4)..... 345

***POSTLUDE:** *Hornpipe*..... Wesley

* Those who are able will please stand.

If you are our guest today, welcome! We’re so glad you’re here. For more information on FPC, please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad and/or take home a “Welcome Home” folder from the Parlor. **You can become a FPC member TODAY** by your profession of faith, transfer of membership, or reaffirmation of faith. Please speak with a pastor following the service.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers. Assisted listening devices are available from the sound console at the back of the sanctuary.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of all Christian Education volunteers, for their commitment, leadership, and dedication.

Recent Prayer Requests: Don Fair; Lottie Massey; Adrien Domske’s grandfather, Bill Klingensmith; Gene and Judy Richardson; Susan Meade’s father, Ron; Mark Deaton; Tip McGee; Lee Doughten; Phil Lofin’s brother-in-law, Dave Montgomery, Bob and Christine Davidson; Anita Teeter; Terry Stevens; Curtis Blake, Cathy Brown’s father; Martha Andrews; EO3SW Laban Thompson; and those who have recently lost loved ones.

Logos/Middle School Ministry (MSM): This year marks the beginning of the 30th year of our congregation’s participation in the Logos Program. Our Logos program is a mid-week (Wednesdays, 4:00-7:15 p.m.) program for youth in first through eighth grades, and consists of Bible study, worship skills, recreation, and dinner. Logos is for children in first through sixth grades, while MSM is for seventh and eighth graders. The primary goal of the Logos Program is to develop genuine and lasting relationships between young people and Jesus Christ, their ministers, parents and other adults in the congregation, as well as their peers. Parents may register their children for the program at one of the following required Parent Meetings:

- Today – 10:15 a.m. – Room 301
- Wednesday, August 27 – 7:00 p.m. – Church Parlor
- Saturday, August 30 – at the Camp Grier Retreat (time and place TBA)
- Wednesday, September 3 – 7:00 p.m. – Church Parlor

The registration deadline is Wednesday, September 3. Fees include a \$30 registration fee and a \$50 per semester tuition fee. Scholarship help is available upon request. Please contact program director Gretchen Little (704-528-9796), assistant director Lisa Davidson (704-662-9393), or Ellen Auten (704-664-5275) with questions about the program. The 2008-2009 Logos year begins Wednesday, September 10.

Christian Education Sunday: Christian Education volunteers will be commissioned during both worship services this morning.

Catechism Club: The 2008-2009 Catechism Club, offered to children in third through sixth grades, will begin Sunday, September 14, from 5:30-6:15 p.m. Children in Catechism Club will be encouraged to memorize the 150 questions of the *First Catechism*, and will have weekly instruction in basic Bible truths. Registration will take place in the church parlor this morning.

Tyler Domske Installation Service today at 4:00 p.m.: Now that Tyler Domske has been officially received by Salem Presbytery, he will be installed as our Associate Pastor for Youth by a commission of the presbytery during a special worship service. This worship service will take place this afternoon, at 4:00 p.m., here in our sanctuary. Commission members include ministers and elders from First, Centre, Reid Memorial, and Lake Norman Fellowship congregations. Everyone in the congregation is invited to join in this time of celebration for Tyler’s present and future ministry with us.

Calendar for August 24 - 31, 2008

Sunday:	Christian Education Sunday
	9:00 a.m. - Worship
	10:00 a.m. - Church School – Promotion Sunday
	10:15 a.m. - Worship Orientation Workshop
	10:15 a.m. - Logos Parent Meeting
	11:00 a.m. - Worship
	4:00 p.m. - Rev. Tyler Domske’s Installation Service
	7:00 p.m. - Session
Monday:	School Starts!
Wednesday:	11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner
	7:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM Parent Meeting
Thursday:	9:30 a.m. - Bible Study at the Rogers’ home
	7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir
Friday:	Evening - Labor Day Retreat at Camp Grier begins
Sunday 8/31:	9:00 a.m. - Worship
	10:00 a.m. - Church School
	11:00 a.m. - Worship

