

Peace Ev. Lutheran Church

Central Avenue at 171st Place

Oak Forest, Illinois 60452

Rev. David T. Mensing, Pastor

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

August 13, 2017

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Hymn 20: "God of Mercy, God of Grace"

Opening Liturgy – Order of Service, Hymnal, p. 5ff.

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Gospel Lesson: Luke 16:1-9

The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 12)

Hymn 439: "O God of Mercy, God of Might"

The Sermon: Standard Gospel Text: Luke 16:1-9

Theme: Exercising True Wisdom in the Stewardship of God's Gifts

The Savior shows us in His parable and its spiritual application that

I. ... making wise investments now

II. ... will pay lasting dividends in the future.

The Offering... "to prove the sincerity of your love." (II Cor. 8:8)

The General Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 400: "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Collect for the Church

Congregation: "Amen."

The Benediction of the Lord

Congregation: "Amen, Amen, Amen!"

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Announcements for the Week

*For spiritual care during the week, particularly in case of serious illness or emergency, please call Pastor Mensing at his **study**, (708) 532-4288, at **home** at the parsonage, (708) 532-9035, or on his **cell phone**, (708) 601-3943.*

***VISITORS** are always welcome to attend our services. Please register in our Guest Book, and leave also your address and telephone number if you would like our Pastor to contact you further. And please come again!*

TODAY, August 13th

—As is our usual custom, the regular **August Voters' Meeting** was dispensed with by action of the congregation in July. Our next regular meeting will be held, God-willing, on Sunday, **September 10th.**

— **Immediately after service** today, our **ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC**. The picnic potluck lunch will begin as soon as the ladies are ready to serve. The afternoon is then free for games for the children, horseshoes, the annual softball confrontation between the *Tunas* and the *Puppies*, fun and fellowship! We welcome members from Trinity & St. Mark's as our cherished guests

— **This evening**, children who attended the picnic will be **camping** on the church grounds for an overnight ... smores for a special dessert, evening prayers around the campfire, and in the morning a pancake breakfast for all, provided and served by the Pastor. Parents should arrange to pick up their children and pack up their equipment before noon on Monday if possible.

—**SPECIAL NOTE to PARENTS:** *Please look after and supervise your own little ones so that they don't get into mischief and perhaps even get hurt. Know where your children are at all times. It takes only a few seconds for a toddler to wander into a game of horseshoes, to fall down the basement stairway, or to get to the street! Please! ... and thank you!*

— **Confirmation Classes** will be held on the usual schedule **this coming week** at 4:00, 6:00 and 7:00 p.m, on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Then, after another family vacation break, they will resume for the fall season on **Thursday, September 7th** — the Thursday after *Labor Day* — on the same time schedule.

Saturday, August 19th

Pastoral Preparation Time for Sunday; also for *special* meetings and for such consultations as are of an urgent nature. Please call ahead if possible.

Next Sunday, August 20th

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

— 8:30 a.m., **Sunday School** and **Adult Bible Class** for all.

—10:00 a.m., **The Divine Worship Service** also for all.

A Blessed Week to All of You!