

# *Counting the Cost*

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Luke 14:25-35

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# Sunday ~ September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome & Prayer**

## **Opening Song** *"Amazing Grace"*

## **Responsive Reading** Psalm 1

## **Song** *"Trust in God"*

## **Prayer of the Day**

## **Readings** Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Philemon 1-21

## **Children's Moment**

## **Song** *"Lead Me to the Cross"*

## **Sermon Text** Luke 14:25-35

## **Message**

## **Prayer of God's People**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

## **Word's of Institution**

## **Confession & Forgiveness**

## **Distribution Song**

*"Thank You Jesus for the Blood"*

## **Prayer of Blessing**

## **Announcements**

## **Benediction**

## **Sending Song** *"Firm Foundation"*

## **Postlude**

## **This Week at Christ Lutheran:**

**Sunday** 9am - Worship Service  
10am - Coffee

**Monday** 9am - Quilting  
10am - Coffee Fellowship

**Friday** Office Closed

**Sunday** **RIB FEST**  
**10am - Worship Service**

**Men's Wednesday Bible study** begins Sept. 17th at 6:15pm. We will continue with the book Men of the Bible, led by Dale Anderson.

**Women's Wednesday Bible study** begins Sept. 17th at 6:15pm. We will be studying a book by Kristi McLelland's called Pearls. This study will be led by Deb Stueven.

**Women's Charis Bible study** will begin a new Bible study on 1 & 2 Peter on Thursday, Sept. 18th at 9am. Becky KenKnight will lead.

## **Sunday Servants:**

Greeters: Shanahan Family

Reader: Kirsten Shanahan

Communion Prep: Brenda Anderson

Coffee: Scott & Sharon Harding

Online Video: Brian Warzetha

Sound Board: Gene Snyder

## **Please pray for the following people:**

Dolores Peterson, Millie Snyder, Mary Betterman, Ron Wipf, JoEllen Horazuk, Val Molin, Yvonne Breeschoten, Sue Pedersen

**Choir starts Wednesday, Sept. 17th at 7:30pm. All are welcome to come and sing!**

## Deuteronomy 30:15-20

<sup>15</sup> See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. <sup>16</sup> For I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess.

<sup>17</sup> But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them,

<sup>18</sup> I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.

<sup>19</sup> This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live <sup>20</sup> and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

## Philemon 1-21

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and fellow worker— <sup>2</sup> also to Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier—and to the church that meets in your home:

<sup>3</sup> Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup> I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers, <sup>5</sup> because I hear about your love for all his holy people and your faith in the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup> I pray that your partnership with us in the faith may be effective in deepening

your understanding of every good thing we share for the sake of Christ. <sup>7</sup> Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people.

<sup>8</sup> Therefore, although in Christ I could be bold and order you to do what you ought to do,

<sup>9</sup> yet I prefer to appeal to you on the basis of love. It is as none other than Paul—an old man and now also a prisoner of Christ Jesus—<sup>10</sup> that I appeal to you for my son Onesimus, who became my son while I was in chains.

<sup>11</sup> Formerly he was useless to you, but now he has become useful both to you and to me.

<sup>12</sup> I am sending him—who is my very heart—back to you. <sup>13</sup> I would have liked to keep him with me so that he could take your place in helping me while I am in chains for the gospel.

<sup>14</sup> But I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that any favor you do would not seem forced but would be voluntary.

<sup>15</sup> Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while was that you might have him back forever— <sup>16</sup> no longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you, both as a fellow man and as a brother in the Lord.

<sup>17</sup> So if you consider me a partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. <sup>18</sup> If he has done you any wrong or owes you anything, charge it to me. <sup>19</sup> I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand. I will pay it back—not to mention that you owe me your very self. <sup>20</sup> I do wish, brother, that I may have some benefit from you in the Lord; refresh my heart in Christ. <sup>21</sup> Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

## MENU

Baby Back Ribs  
Sweet Corn  
Fries | Coleslaw  
Brownies  
Cornbread

## SUGGESTED DONATION

Adults - \$15  
Ages 6-12 - \$7  
5 & Under - FREE  
Dinners To Go - \$15  
Rib Rack To Go - \$20

# RIB FEST!

SEPTEMBER 14 @11AM

FOLLOWING THE  
**10AM**  
WORSHIP SERVICE

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# 150 Years of Memories



During the COVID-19 pandemic, we had a great way to be together and worship during the summer – parking lot worship. People brought lawn chairs, we had microphones and a keyboard for music. We even had communion. Coffee and treats were served after the service. We found a way to worship together. Pastor Ron Boettner is pictured above.

# Weekly Bible Reading Guide (NT in 1 Year)

## Week 36 (Sept 8 – Sept 12): 2 Corinthians 4-8

### Monday – 2 Corinthians 9

- Reconstruct the situation to which verses 1–5 refer.
- Why is it a “cheerful giver” that God loves? (v. 7)
- How should Christians view financial giving (to the church and to other causes)? (vv. 6–15)

### Tuesday – 2 Corinthians 10

- How are Christians supposed to fight evil? (vv. 1–6)
- How would you characterize Paul’s critics in Corinth? (vv. 1–18)
- Should Christians boast? (vv. 13–18)

### Wednesday – 2 Corinthians 11

- What does Paul mean by “super-apostle”? (v. 5)
- What does Paul mean when he says that he is speaking “as a fool”? (vv. 16–29)
- Why does Paul list all of his tribulations? (vv. 23–33)

### Thursday – 2 Corinthians 12

- What Who is the man that Paul speaks of? (v. 2)
- Why did God bring so much trouble to Paul? (vv. 7–10)
- How did Paul demonstrate that he was a true apostle? (vv. 11–13)

### Friday - 2 Corinthians 13

- What is Paul threatening throughout chapter 13?
- Why does Paul tell them to greet one another with “a holy kiss”? (v. 12)
- What does verse 14 teach about the Trinity?