



**August 24, 2025**

**10 am Worship**

**Season after Pentecost**

**Message:**  
**Dishonest or Shrewdness?**

**Scripture:**  
**Luke 16: 1-9 NIV**



*Our Mission*

*The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

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## Season after Pentecost

### *Prelude*

### *Welcome and Announcements*

#### *\*Opening Prayer (unison)*

When we gather in your name, we are changed. There is no way around it. We cannot come together in your presence and not be moved. So, today we surrender to your moving and to the ways you desire to change us. Let this hour together be sacred, and may your name be made great. You are holy, worthy and full of glory. We are humbled to be in your presence. Receive our worship as an offering of praise. It is all for you. Amen.

#### *\*Call to Worship (responsive)*

Pastor: For those who have not been welcomed before,

All: You are welcomed by Christ here.

Pastor: For those who have been turned away,

All: Christ is opening the door for you.

Pastor: For those who have been forgotten,

All: God cannot forget you, for God made you.

Pastor: Come, join together in worship of our God.

All: You are God's beloved. We welcome each other in the name of Christ.

#### *\* Hymn of Preparation Thy Word Is a Lamp #601*

### *Children's Message*

### *Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings*

#### *Offertory*

*\*Doxology Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow #95*

#### *\*Prayer of Dedication*

### *Our Time of Prayer and the Lord's Prayer*

*\* Hymn of Praise Glory be to the Father #70*

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Scripture**

Luke 16: 1-9 NIV

Jesus told his disciples: “There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup> So he called him in and asked him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.’

<sup>3</sup> “The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I’m not strong enough to dig, and I’m ashamed to beg— <sup>4</sup> I know what I’ll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.’

<sup>5</sup> “So he called in each one of his master’s debtors. He asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’

<sup>6</sup> “‘Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,’ he replied.

“The manager told him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.’

<sup>7</sup> “Then he asked the second, ‘And how much do you owe?’

“‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he replied.

“He told him, ‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’

<sup>8</sup> “The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. <sup>9</sup> I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

**Message**

Dishonest or Shrewdness?

Pastor Don Kephart

**\* Hymn of Dedication**

I Love to Tell the Story #156

**Benediction**

*Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.*

## weekly schedule

All are welcome!  
Please contact the office for more information.

Sunday 10am	Worship
Sunday 11am (Prayer Room)	Prayer Meeting
Monday 9:30am (Fellowship Hall)	Tai Chi
Tuesday 10am (Fellowship Hall)	Line Dancers
Tuesday 7pm (Fellowship Hall)	Just Recovery
Friday 10am (Fellowship Hall)	Line Dancers
Saturday (8th Avenue Place)	Homeless Ministry (1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 8:30 am)



### Top 5 Donated Items

348 pencils  
48 snacks  
39 glue sticks  
27 erasers  
24 notebooks

Complete list located in the Narthex





## upcoming events



Thursday 09/04/25 6:30 pm - New!! Additional  
Worship Service Time

### A Note from Pastor Don

Members and Friends, Please contact me directly by cell phone text or email if you need to speak with me. My contact information is located in the bulletin as well as on the business cards in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

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### Holy Communion Schedule

Holy Communion will be held on the **first Sunday** of **February, June, August, October, and December**, as well as on **Ash Wednesday** and **Maundy Thursday**.