

## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 11, 2024

### The First Reading

*1 Kings 19:4-8*

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

### Psalm

*Psalm 34:1-8*

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the Lord; \*  
let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; \*  
let us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in him!

## The Second Reading

*Ephesians 4:25-5:2*

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

## The Gospel Reading

*John 6:35, 41-51*

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by David and Susan Frier Brown in celebration of our son, David Christopher Brown.*

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Jeff Richardson in celebration of Donna Richardson's birthday on August 13<sup>th</sup>.*

## Announcements

### Birthdays this month

1st: Jerry Ritchie  
 4th: Harper Martin  
 7th: Pete Litterski  
 9th: Joshua Newsom  
 11th: Nancy McCrary  
 13th: Donna Richardson  
 14th: Margie Litterski  
 20th: Ella Cammack  
 22nd: Connor Tucker  
 22nd: Monika Henry  
 23rd: Kristel Morris  
 27th: Stefanie Kirschke  
 29th: Paige Lindsey  
 31st: Kari Dickson  
 31st: Jim Watson

### This Week at SMAA

Wednesday, August 14, 2024  
 6:00 pm Dinner & fellowship

Sunday, August 18, 2024  
 9:00 am Bible Study  
 10:00am Holy Eucharist

### Blessing of the Animals

Join us **Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** at **1:00 PM** for the Annual Blessing of the Animals. Dogs, Cats, and other pets-small and large, furry, and non-furry are all welcome. Kids are welcome to bring a stuffed animal to bless.

Please begin to bring dog food and other dog items to be donated to the local animal shelter.

### Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate the flowers for the service, the Flower Dedication forms for 2024 are in the narthex.

**Piney Woods September Brunch**  
**Traditional Hymns to Contemporary Music**

St. Michael's & All Angels, 909 Reel Road, Longview 75604  
 Saturday, September 14 from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm

*Please respond by September 3*  
*Mail the \$10 registration fee to the church*  
*You may mail several checks in one envelope!*  
*See YOU then!*

Roxanne Brink 480-208-2966 Susan Kuhlman 903-918-2261

## Prayer Requests

### Healing For:

- Andrew McWhorter
- Libby Menger
- The Akinson & Brown Family
- Lorraine, Pete and Margie Litterski

To submit a prayer request, fill out the back of the information sheet in the pew and place it in the offering.

Or, send an email with your request to: [prayer@smaalongview.org](mailto:prayer@smaalongview.org)

**\*\* Emailed prayer requests are received by all who've signed up for the SMAA prayer chain. This community of prayer is committed to holding up our needs and thanksgivings to God whenever they are shared. TO JOIN IN THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY, JUST SEND A REQUEST TO SMAA@SMAALONGVIEW.ORG ASKING TO BE A PART OF THE PRAYER CHAIN. \*\***

### Stewardship Update

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	ABOVE/BELOW
07/14/24	\$1,266	\$3,302	-\$2,036
07/21/24	\$2,399	\$3,302	-\$903
07/28/24	\$2,528	\$3,302	-\$774
08/04/24	\$3,541	\$3,302	\$239
<b>YTD TOTALS</b>	<b>\$111,686</b>	<b>\$102,368</b>	<b>\$9,319</b>

### Next Sunday's Servers (08/18)

**Acolytes:** Joe Frank Brown  
**Cameras & Streaming:** Michael Greathouse  
**Danny's Team:** Mary Lynn Dawes  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Laura Buckner  
**Greeter:** David Brown  
**Lector:** Susan Brown  
**Nursery Helper:** Roxanne Brink  
**Ushers:** Donna Richardson  
**Vestry People:** Samantha Rauch, Joshua Martinez  
**Worship Tech:** Gianna Glave

### This Sunday's Servers

**Acolytes:** Amy Brown  
**Cameras & Streaming:** Robert Brown  
**Danny's Team:** Melinda Smith  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Wayne Workman  
**Greeter:** Catherine White  
**Lector:** Harrison Brown  
**Nursery Helper:** Ruby Hahne  
**Ushers:** Joshua Martinez  
**Vestry People:** Tommy Smith, Roxanne Brink  
**Worship Tech:** Tommy Smith

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