

## Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024

### The First Reading

*1 Kings 17:8-16*

The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

### Psalm

*Psalm 146*

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul! \*

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*  
for there is no help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*  
and in that day their thoughts perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \*  
who keeps his promise for ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*  
and food to those who hunger.

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;  
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The Lord loves the righteous;  
the Lord cares for the stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The Lord shall reign for ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!

## The Second Reading

*Hebrews 9:24-28*

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

### The Gospel Reading

*Mark 12:38-44*

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

## Announcements

### Birthdays this month

3rd: Ron Buckner  
 5th: Michael Greathouse  
 8th: Francis Rauch  
 13th: Owen Glave  
 16th: Charlyne White  
 18th: Devin McLaughlin  
 19th: Mary Beth Cobb  
 24th: Susan Frier Brown  
 27th: Joe Frank Brown  
 28th: Teresa Read

## This Week at SMAA

**Wednesday, November 13, 2024**

6:00 pm Dinner & fellowship

**Sunday, November 17, 2024**

9:00 am Bible Study: The Path

10:00am Holy Eucharist

### Fall Fest Cookout

Join us on **Sunday, November 24th**, after the service in the Parish Hall. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and All the Fixins', provided by Brad Tidwell and Claire Renzetti and the VeraBank Big Cooker. Please bring condiments, a side or dessert to go with burgers & hot dogs.

### Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate the flowers for the service, the Flower Dedication forms for 2022 are in the narthex.

## Next Sunday's Servers (11/17)

**Acolytes:** Javier Glave  
**Cameras & Streaming:** Melinda Smith  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Sheila Thrash  
**Greeter:** Becky Supercinski  
**Lector:** Javier Glave  
**Nursery Helper:** Susan Kuhlman, Helen Daniel Glave  
**Ushers:** Jerry Ritchie, Chip Doran  
**Vestry People:** Joshua Martinez, Connie Fedrizzi  
**Worship Tech:** Tommy Smith

## Prayer Requests

### Healing For:

- Angelina Bynum
- Mtr. Tracey
- Andrew McWhorter
- The Akinson & Brown Families
- Lorraine and Margie Litterski

### Other Prayer Request:

- Jonathan secures employment, enabling the Bowman family to relocate to Longview.

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
<b>10/13/24</b>	<b>\$3,262</b>	<b>\$3,302</b>	<b>-\$40</b>
<b>10/20/24</b>	<b>\$3,330</b>	<b>\$3,302</b>	<b>\$28</b>
<b>10/27/24</b>	<b>\$1,714</b>	<b>\$3,302</b>	<b>-\$1,588</b>
<b>11/03/24</b>	<b>\$2,220</b>	<b>\$3,302</b>	<b>-\$1,082</b>
<b>YTD TOTALS</b>	<b>\$148,034</b>	<b>\$145,294</b>	<b>\$2,740</b>

## This Sunday's Servers

**Acolytes:** Michael Greathouse  
**Cameras & Streaming:** Robert Brown  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Sheila Thrash  
**Greeter:** Catherine White  
**Lector:** Wayne Workman  
**Nursery Helper:** Marie Tucker, Roxanne Brink  
**Ushers:** David Brown, Joe Frank Brown  
**Vestry People:** Tommy Smith, Connie Fedrizzi  
**Worship Tech:** Gianna Glave

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