

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
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GOLD HILL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*A CONGREGATION OF THE MONTANA SYNOD OF
THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (ELCA)*

Welcome to Gold Hill Evangelical Lutheran Church, and a special welcome to our guests and those returning after a time away. We're gathered as a Christian community to worship the Lord!

Please know that you are always welcome here.

***Our Congregation's Mission Statement:
EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, UNITED TO SERVE***

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!

Please let us know if there are other ways we can be of service. Guests are invited to fill out the small green contact card in the rack in front of you and hand it to the Pastor or other worship leaders or place it in the offering plate. We promise not to 'stalk' anyone – we're just trying to let you know we care.

The Guiding Principles of God's People at Gold Hill Lutheran

Principle 1: Jesus Christ is our Lord & Savior

Principle 2: The Holy Spirit & worship strengthen us

Principle 3: We are a welcoming & inviting community in Christ

Principle 4: We share the Word with confidence and courage

Principle 5: Our faith leads us to serve joyfully

Principle 6: We are generous with our gifts

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Today's Worship Leaders

Worship Leader:	**Curt Quist
Assisting Minister:	Julie Corbin
Music Ministers:	David Coleman
Communion Ministers:	-----
Ushers:	Vern & Jeanette Nielsen
Roving Greeter:	Miriam Haley
Additional Servant Ministers:	Ruschelle Tyvand, Tavia Broudy

Today's Liturgy: Setting 8 ELW, p 184
P=Presiding Minister A=Assisting Minister
C=Congregation

GATHERING

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of mercy,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: When we are laid low by sin and guilt, God makes us alive together with Christ, forgiving us † all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

C: Amen.

Gathering Song “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

ELW #674

Greeting ELW p. 184
Kyrie ELW p. 184 vs. 1 & 2
Glory to God ELW p. 185-6

Prayer of the Day

C: O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD (all scriptures are on the back pages of the bulletin)

Old Testament Proverbs 25:6-7

Psalm 112

Reading from the Early Church Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Gospel Acclamation ELW p. 188

Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-14

Sermon “Humility – Really?” Curt Quist

Hymn of the Day “Take My Life, That I May Be”
ELW #685

The Apostles Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Respond to each petition with **Hear our prayer.**

Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Gathering of Offering & 2nd Offering

“We Give Thee but Thine Own” ELW #686

Offering Prayer

C: Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving	ELW p. 190
Holy, Holy, Holy	ELW p. 190
Words of Institution	
The Lord's Prayer	ELW p. 190
Lamb of God	ELW p. 191

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

(Served at the rail)

Hymn "Bread of Life from Heaven" ELW #474

Blessing Communion for the Homebound

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Song "The Lord Now Sends Us Forth" ELW #538

Dismissal

A: Go in peace! Christ is sending you!

**C: We go, empowered by the Spirit, united to Serve.
Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 112

A: Praise the LORD!

Happy are those who fear the LORD,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

**C: Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

A: Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

**C: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

A: It is well with those who deal generously and lend,
who conduct their affairs with justice.

**C: For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.**

A: They are not afraid of evil tidings;
their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

**C: Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.**

A: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever;
their horn is exalted in honor.

**C: The wicked see it and are angry;
they gnash their teeth and melt away;
the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.**

**“Curt Quist has been authorized by the Bishop of the Montana Synod to provide pastoral services in this congregation this Sunday.”

Proverbs 25:6-7

⁶ Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great;
⁷ for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

13 Let mutual love continue. ² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³ Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴ Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶ So we can say with confidence,
"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.
What can anyone do to me?"

⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵ Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶ Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Luke 14:1, 7-14

14 On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷ When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹ and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹² He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴ And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”