

# Readings August 31, 2025 – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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## First Reading: Proverbs 25:6-7a

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

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 112

- <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!
- <sup>2</sup> **Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**
- <sup>3</sup> Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.
- <sup>4</sup> **Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**
- <sup>5</sup> It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.
- <sup>6</sup> **For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**
- <sup>7</sup> They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.
- <sup>8</sup> **Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**
- <sup>9</sup> They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- <sup>10</sup> **The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

## Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

<sup>1</sup> Let mutual affection continue. <sup>2</sup> Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup> 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. <sup>4</sup> Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. <sup>5</sup> Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup> So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

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

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