

Today we bring our summer sermon series to a close.

In these final verses of Matthew 7 (13-27), Jesus has provided 4 pairs of alternatives - two gates and roads (13-14), two kinds of prophets (15-20), two kinds of disciples (21-23), and two foundations (24-27).

As we wrap things up by examining the two foundations, we are forced to answer a big question - what will we do with Jesus and His teachings? Will we be foolish, ignore Him and His teachings, and build our lives on something else? Or will we be wise, listen to Him, and build our lives on Him and His teachings? Throughout worship today, you are encouraged to be honest and take this big question to heart - Am I building and living my life based upon the words and works of Jesus, or something else?

Sermon Notes

Matthew 7:24-29 ~ "Hearing and Doing"

- * **What is the significance of the word "Therefore" in verse 24?**

- * **What does the foolish person do?**

- * **What does the wise person do?**

- * **What reveals the foundation of our lives?**

- * **How do the crowds react to Jesus and how is that an example for us?**

MISSION STATEMENT

"At St. John Lutheran Church,
our purpose is to make
and equip disciples everywhere
by proclaiming
Jesus Christ as Savior."



WHAT'S HAPPENING

The week of September 6 at St. John!

- * **Communion at Home** ... If you have not been able to attend in-person worship and would like to receive the Lord's Supper in your home, please contact Pastor Dave and he will arrange it with you.
- * **Office Changes** ... As a reminder, Kristie is now only in the office 3 days per week (Monday thru Wednesday). Pastor Dave and Mary Jo should be around on Thursdays, but if you can't get in contact with anyone in the office, contact Pastor Dave at 952-232-8134.
- * **Handbell Practice Resumes** ... on Wednesdays at 5:00 pm beginning September 16. Plan to be masked and distanced, and excited to ring again!
- * **Christian Sympathies to the Larson family** ... Heather's mother, Kathleen Greseth, died August 27 at the age of 76. Her funeral service was Thursday, September 3 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Faribault; with interment at Meadow Ridge Memorial Park in Faribault. Expressions of sympathy can be sent to the Larson family at 7237 Janero Avenue South, Cottage Grove, MN 55016.
- * **Thank You** ... Thank you for all the words of comfort in light of the passing of our mother/mother-in-law/grandma. They have truly meant a lot. Sincerely, Pastor Dave and Heather, and Kids
- * **Fall Plans** ... During the week of August 31, an email is going out with details on our plans for worship, Bible studies, Sunday school, etc. We will also post this information on our website ... stjohnwoodbury.org.
- * **In Our Prayers** ... Family & friends of Kathy Greseth/Larson family, Judy Eder, Vance Grannis, Bruce Dahlberg, Joanne Dahlin, Lisa Larsen, Ruth Hagemeyer, Laura DePetro, Lorraine Schire, Kevin Portuguese, Mary Schultz, Peter Nyout, Oline Tolbert, Leon Schmidt, Doug Lasker, Dolores Weir, Carol Mrozik, Betsy Dehler, Gene Pommerening

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At the end of the day, there are only 2 options - we either build our lives upon the works and words of Jesus or we don't. To build our lives upon Jesus is to be wise; to ignore Him is to be foolish.

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