



ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN

Please use this card to help you reflect on this week's sermon. Our Catechism students use this card for class. We also encourage you to use it as a conversation starter with your family & friends. Feel free to share it with someone you know as an invitation to join you for next week's service at St. Paul's. May God bless our study of His Word!

12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 19-21, 2023

Sermon Text: *Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8*

Sermon Theme: *"Celebrate Our New Citizenship"*

1. What countries have you visited besides these United States? How was it the same as living here in the USA? How was it different?
2. Pastor asked several citizenship questions. Did you answer those questions correctly? Do you believe it's easy to take our earthly citizenship for granted? Why or why not? What should we do about it?
3. Pastor reminded us that Christians have "dual citizenship." What does that mean? What difference does that make?
4. How do we "leave the old country behind" when it comes to spiritual matters? How did Old Testament Israel forget that? What does that teach us?
5. To win the spiritual war, we need to know our enemy's objective. What is our enemy's objective with us and our children? Why does that matter?
6. Instead of RACE, what made the Old Testament Israelites part of God's family? Do you live with the same understanding? Why or why not?
7. What does an American passport entitle citizens to enjoy? What spiritual blessings does being a citizen of heaven now ... and in the future? How does that reality change our attitudes today?
8. Why do recent immigrants tend to be the most patriotic and most loyal? When we remember what eternal victory Christ does for us, how does that make us "more loyal to Christ Jesus"?