TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost August 10, 2025

The Mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is the preaching, teaching, baptizing and sharing the love of Christ in our church, our community and our world.



Welcome to Trinity!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning. We are a community of believers in Jesus Christ who seek to love God with all of our heart, with all of our mind, and with all of our soul. We have a deep desire that all would come to the saving knowledge of the truth of Jesus as Lord! We cordially invite you to worship with us every Sunday at 10 a.m. and join us for Bible Class and Sunday School at 8:45 a.m.

Pre-Service Music

Prelude - Ringing of the Bells - Greeting

Please Stand

Confession and Absolution

L: In the name of the Father and of the \(\foath\) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

L: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. So, then, in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C:Amen.

Opening Hymn

Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord

LSB 352 sts. I-3

I Let the earth now praise the Lord, Who has truly kept His word And at last to us did send Christ, the sinner's help and friend.

- What the fathers most desired, What the prophets' heart inspired, What they longed for many_a year, Stands fulfilled in glory here.
- 3 Abram's promised great reward, Zion's helper, Jacob's Lord—Him of twofold race behold—Truly came, as long foretold.

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Introit

L: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;

C: make melody to our God on the lyre!

L: He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth;

C: he makes grass grow on the hills.

L: He gives to the beasts their food,

C: and to the young ravens that cry.

L: His delight is not in the strength of the horse,

C: nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,

L: but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,

C: in those who hope in his steadfast love.

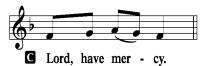
ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

L: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;

C: make melody to our God on the lyre!

Kyrie

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



L: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



L: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord



Hymn of Praise

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.



L: Let us pray...Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 15:1-6

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." ⁵And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

L: This is the Word of our Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

L: Fear the LORD, you his saints,

C: for those who fear him lack nothing!

L: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C: but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Children's Message and Mighty Mites

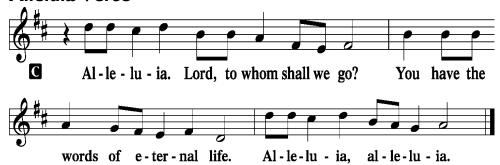
Kordel McBlair

Epistle Reading Hebrews 11:1–16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. ⁴By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. ⁵By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. ⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ⁷By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith. ⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. 9By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. 11By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. 13These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. 15 If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

L: This is the Word of our Lord. C: Thanks be to God

Alleluia Verse



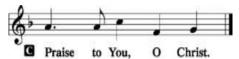
Holy Gospel Luke 12:22-34

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



²²Jesus said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. ³⁰For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. ³²"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

P:This is the Gospel of our Lord.



Please Sit

Hymn of the Day

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

LSB 733 sts. I-6

O God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come,
 Our shelter from the stormy blast,
 And our eternal home:

Under the shadow of Thy throne
 Thy saints have dwelt secure;
 Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
 And our defense is sure.

- 3 Before the hills in order stood Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.
- 4 A thousand ages in Thy sight
 Are like an evening gone,
 Short as the watch that ends the night
 Before the rising sun.
- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away; We fly forgotten as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Be Thou our guard while troubles last And our eternal home!
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Sermon

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.





Prayer of the Church

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.

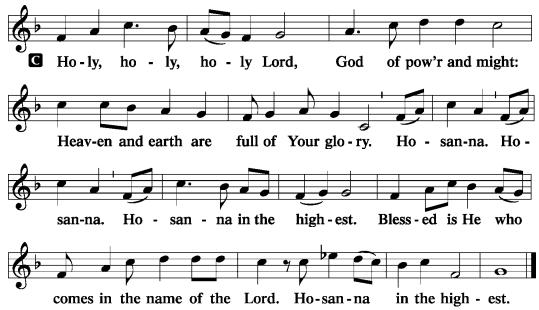
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Proper Preface

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:





Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

P: The Lord's Supper is God's gift for Christians who are properly taught. In communing, we want people to receive Christ's body and blood for their good. This means that as you come to the Lord's Table you affirm that Jesus is your Savior and Lord; and with Lutheran Christians (LCMS), you confess:

C: I recognize and confess that I am a sinner. I repent of my sin and ask God's forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from sin, Satan and death. I believe that the risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament, and under the form of the bread and wine, I receive His true body and blood for the forgiveness of my sin and the strengthening of my faith and life.

The Words of our Lord

Pax Domini

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Please Sit

Distribution and Distribution Hymns How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,

I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,

Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed; Refrain

ref Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,

How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,

How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain

3 But when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration

And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" Refrain

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Jesus, Priceless Treasure

LSB 743

Jesus, priceless treasure,

Fount of purest pleasure,

Truest friend to me.

Ah, how long in anguish

Shall my spirit languish,

Yearning, Lord, for Thee?

Thou art mine.

O Lamb divine!

I will suffer naught to hide Thee;

Naught I ask beside Thee.

In Thine arms I rest me:

Foes who would molest me

Cannot reach me here.

Though the earth be shaking,

Ev'ry heart be quaking,

Jesus calms my fear.

Lightnings flash

And thunders crash;

Yet, though sin and hell assail me, Jesus will not fail me.

3 Satan, I defy thee;
Death, I now decry thee;
Fear, I bid thee cease.
World, thou shalt not harm me
Nor thy threats alarm me
While I sing of peace.
God's great pow'r
Guards ev'ry hour;
Earth and all its depths adore Him,
Silent bow before Him.

4 Hence, all earthly treasure!
Jesus is my pleasure,
Jesus is my choice.
Hence, all empty glory!
Naught to me thy story
Told with tempting voice.
Pain or loss,

Or shame or cross, Shall not from my Savior move me Since He deigns to love me.

5 Evil world, I leave thee;
Thou canst not deceive me,
Thine appeal is vain.
Sin that once did blind me,
Get thee far behind me,
Come not forth again.
Past thy hour,
O pride and pow'r;
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,
Leave thee now forever.

6 Hence, all fear and sadness!
For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father,
Though the storms may gather,
Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er
I here must bear,
Thou art still my purest pleasure,
Jesus, priceless treasure!

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Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

I Rise, my soul, to watch and pray;

From your sleep awaken!

Be not by the evil day

Unawares o'ertaken;

For the foe,

Well we know,

Is a harvest reaping

While the saints are sleeping.

Watch against the devil's snares

Lest asleep he find you;

For indeed no pains he spares

To deceive and blind you.

Satan's prey

Oft are they

Who secure are sleeping

And no watch are keeping.

3 Watch! Let not the wicked world

With its lies defeat you

Lest with bold deceptions hurled

It betray and cheat you.

Watch and see

Lest there be

Faithless friends to charm you,

Who but seek to harm you.

4 Watch against yourself, my soul,

Lest with grace you trifle;

Let not self your thoughts control

Nor God's mercy stifle.

Pride and sin

Lurk within,

All your hopes to shatter;

Heed not when they flatter.

5 But while watching, also pray

To the Lord unceasing.

God protects you day by day,

Strength and faith increasing,

So that still

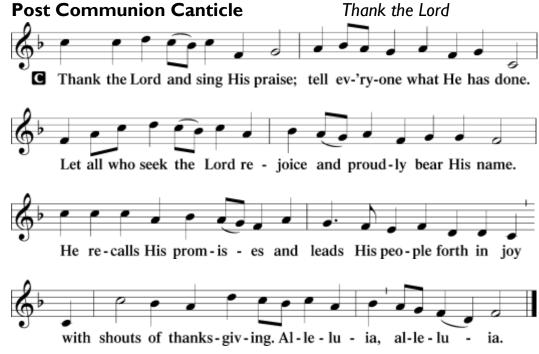
Mind and will

Shall unite to serve Him

And forever love Him.

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Post Communion Blessing



Post-Communion Collect

P: Let us pray.

C: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction

P:The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His facer shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



- 4 As Your coming was in peace, Quiet, full of gentleness, Let the same mind dwell in me Which is Yours eternally.
- 5 Bruise for me the serpent's head That, set free from doubt and dread, I may cling to You in faith, Safely kept through life and death.
- 6 Then when You will come again
 As the glorious king to reign,
 I with joy will see Your face,
 Freely ransomed by Your grace.
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Announcements

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COMMUNION CONFESSIONS SCRIPTURES

- *" Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."
- **"And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."
- *** For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, 24and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 25In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 27Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. 28Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died.31But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. 32 But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

THOSE TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Health- Joan Haines, Steve Doss, Emma Conklin, John Alexander, RoseMarie Dieckhoff, Judy Lehde, Dana Robb, Hunter Gaddy, Mark Priebe, Heather Priebe, Chantay Denn, Kathleen Mueller, John Fritz, Tess Holle, Delphine Lehde Mullen, Erin Hunt, Karen Miller, Jim Bracht, Alyssa Parrigon, Robert Mais, Brendan Lawmaster Hudson, Dick Highfill, David Tunnell, Karen Schmedeke, Don Schmedeke, Reed Fuemmeler, Lois Gaddy, Robbie Krueger, Abigail and Lydia Parrigon, Grace Doss, Bob Dieckhoff

Remembering our Seasoned Saints- John Bremer, John Fritz, Dan Haines, Louise Hohensee, Judy Krueger, Loretta Pennington, Fay Schoen, Lora Worm

Families of the Week- Doug Hansen, Luke Hansen family, Stan Hansen family, Mike Harmon family, Robert Harris family, Dale Haworth family, Alisa Hayward family, Ron Hayward, Carli Henderson family, Kaylynn Hendry family, David Heseman family, Mary Heseman, Travis Heseman family

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