

I BELIEVE; HELP MY UNBELIEF!

Mark 9:24

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! As the seasons change and time continues to run its appointed course, people are always confronted with how change-filled our lives can be. The Pastor and People of Trinity are happy that you have come to worship with us this morning and to receive strength for daily life and living through God's holy Word and Sacraments. We hope and pray that as you go back into the change-filled world we live in, the changeless Christ that we proclaim in this place will go with you.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

O God, through suffering and rejection You bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross You transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the Gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament

From Divine Service, Setting Two Lutheran Service Book, Page 167ff

№ In the Name of Jesus Christ **№**

▼ The Preparation **▼**

The Music for Meditation

The Flute & Piano Prelude

"He Is Exalted"

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn #814

"O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

- 1 O bless the Lord, my soul!
 Let all within me join
 And aid my tongue to bless His name
 Whose favors are divine.
- O bless the Lord, my soul,
 Nor let His mercies lie
 Forgotten in unthankfulness
 And without praises die!
- 3 'Tis He forgives thy sins;'Tis He relieves thy pain;'Tis He that heals thy sicknessesAnd makes thee young again.
- 4 He crowns thy life with love
 When ransomed from the grave;
 He that redeemed my soul from hell
 Hath sov'reign pow'r to save.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- He fills the poor with good;
 He gives the suff'rers rest.
 The Lord hath judgments for the proud
 And justice for th'oppressed.
- His wondrous works and ways
 He made by Moses known,

 But sent the world His truth and grace
 By His belovèd Son.

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The Invocation:

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the Name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

The Confession of Sin and Absolution:

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A time of silence is kept for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



▼ The Service of the Word **▼**

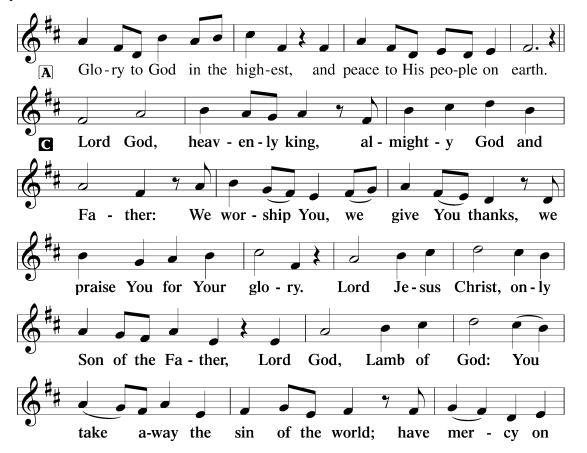
The Introit of the Day

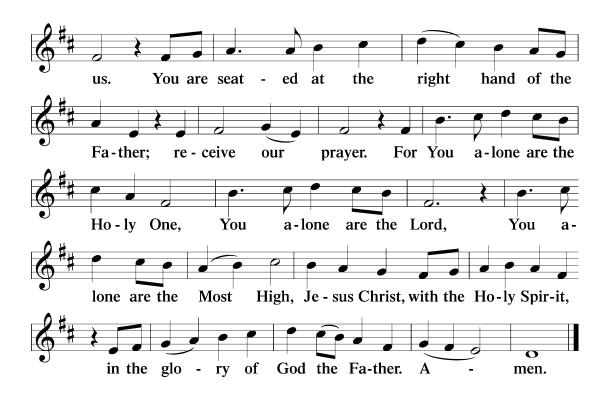
Psalm 31:14-16; antiphon: verse 24

- P Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!
- But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."
- My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!
- Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love!
- 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.
- P Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!

The Hymn of Praise:

Gloria in Excelsis





The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, our Support and Defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 50:4-10

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.

I gave my back to those who strike,
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not my face
from disgrace and spitting.

⁷But the Lord GoD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

⁸He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

⁹Behold, the Lord GoD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The Epistle James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast

and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

The Trinity Singers

"Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior"

The Congregation rises.

The Holy Gospel Mark 9:14-29

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.



¹⁴When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. ¹⁶And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²²And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." ²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 784

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

- 1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee, Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold,
 Not a mite would I withhold;
 Take my intellect and use
 Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose,
 Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

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The Sermon Tongues on Fire

The Congregation rises.

The Nicene Creed:

C I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P	God, our Father, Your Son has taught us to pray with confidence. We believe; help our unbelief. By Your Holy Spirit, strengthen our faith in You and make us confident of Your promises and fervent in prayer. Lord, in Your mercy,
C	hear our prayer.
P	Almighty God and Father, Your Son did not hide His face from disgrace but humbly carried out Your will for the salvation of the world. In the resurrection, You vindicated Him. Make Your people throughout the world grateful for Your mercies and submissive to Your wise guiding in our lives. Sustain in faith all who suffer mockery, abuse, persecution and death for the name of Christ. Make us faithful unto death, confident that we will receive our own resurrection in Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,
C	hear our prayer.
P	Father in heaven, thank You for the governing authorities who fulfill Your divine purposes, punishing evil and rewarding those who do right. Prosper good government among us. Teach us to honor those in authority, and encourage them in doing good. Lord, in Your mercy,
C	hear our prayer.
P	Father in heaven, we pray for fathers, mothers and children; for husbands and wives; for grandparents; for friends and neighbors; for laborers and employers; for teachers and students; and for all who serve in godly vocations. Let us delight in Your loving kindness and joyfully serve our neighbor with good works. Lord, in Your mercy,
C	hear our prayer.
P	Gracious Father, Your Son exorcised the demons and healed the sick. Help again Your suffering people — the poor, the grieving, the anxious, and the sick, especially Uphold them by Your Spirit, and graciously give them all that they need for their well-being. Give us ears to hear the cries of the distressed and a compassion that serves You by serving them. Lord, in Your mercy,
C	hear our prayer.
P	Father of mercies and God of comfort, we pray for those for whom death draws near (especially), that they have no fear of the final judgment but trust in the merits of Christ alone, and for family and friends of those who have died (including), that the comfort of the risen and ascended Christ may sustain them in the hope of the resurrection to life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
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P	Giver of all blessings, grant to us thankful hearts, that we may receive all that You have given us with gratitude and use wisely all that You have entrusted into our care, especially as we thank You for Your goodness to Lord, in Your mercy,
C	hear our prayer.

- Loving Lord, according to Your promise, You never leave nor forsake us. Hear all of our needs and concerns for ourselves and for others, especially _______, and for all of the other petitions we entrust to You from the things silent and unspoken in our hearts and minds... Receive all of these prayers, and answer them according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Almighty God, help us in our unbelief, so that all who come to our Lord's Table this day may do so in true repentance and confident faith that Your Son gives His body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Ever-living One, in Your presence live all those whom You have taken to Yourself. Bring us to share with Cyprian of Carthage and all Your faithful saints the joy of Your countenance and the peace of Your presence. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Father, into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

- Where two or three are gathered together in My Name," says the Lord, "there am I in the midst of them."
 - The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.

▼ The Service of the Sacrament **▼**

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 554

"O Jesus, King Most Wonderful"

- 1 O Jesus, King most wonderful!
 - O Conqueror renowned!
 - O Source of peace ineffable, In whom all joys are found:
- When once You visit darkened hearts,
 Then truth begins to shine,
 Then earthly vanity departs,
 Then kindles love divine.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 3 O Jesus, Light of all below, The Fount of life and fire, Surpassing all the joys we know, All that we can desire:
- 4 May ev'ry heart confess Your Name, Forever You adore, And, seeking You, itself inflame To seek You more and more!
- 5 Oh, may our tongues forever bless, May we love You alone And ever in our lives express The image of Your own!

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

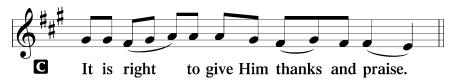
P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

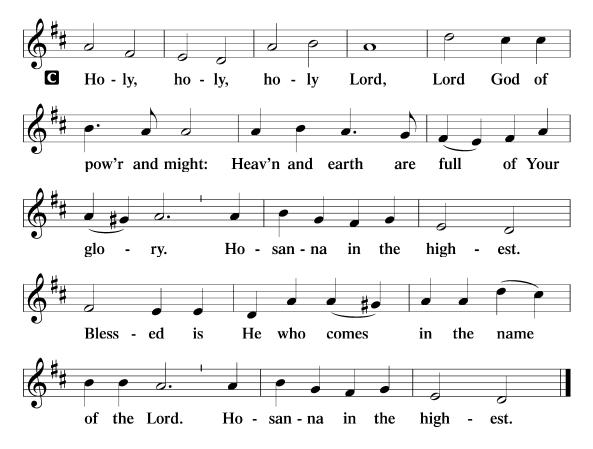


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

The Sanctus:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer:

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross.

Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C Amen.
- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

The Word of Our Lord:

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The *Pax Domini*:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



The Agnus Dei:



The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

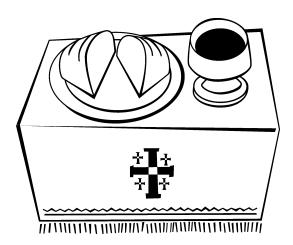
Music During the Distribution: "There Is a Balm in Gilead" – The Trinity Singers

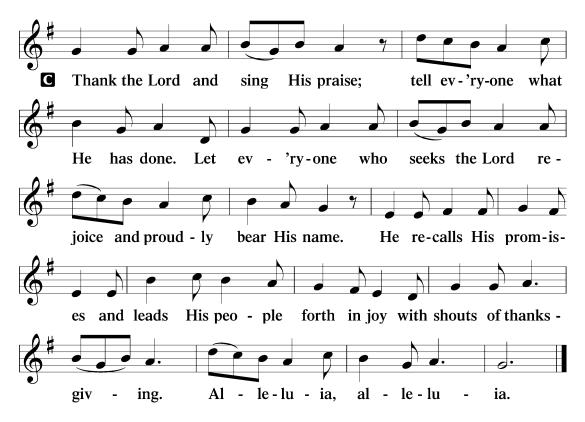
After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

The Congregation rises.





The Post-Communion Collect:

P Let us pray.

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.



The Benediction:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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



"Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

- 1 Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
- 2 Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word, And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.
- 3 Abide with heav'nly brightness Among us, precious Light; Your truth direct and keep us From error's gloomy night.
- 4 Abide with richest blessings
 Among us, bounteous Lord;
 Let us in grace and wisdom
 Grow daily through Your Word.
- 5 Abide with Your protection Among us, Lord, our Strength, Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.
- 6 Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love; Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

▼ To God Be All Praise and Glory! ▼

Those Who Serve Us Today in Worship

The Celebrant & Preacher The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel

The Choir The Trinity Singers
The Flutist Susan Kennedy
The Parish Musician Skip Hall

Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Two from Lutheran Service Book

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NOTES AND NEWS

COVID UPDATE ... As the County Executive has reinstated the indoor mask mandate in our area, we kindly ask those attending worship in person to once again wear their masks while inside the church building. Our prayer continues to be that the Lord will continue to look on us and our world in mercy and continue to keep us from harm even as we all do those things which we can to keep one another as safe and healthy as possible.

A NEW CHRISTIAN EDUCATION YEAR ... With Labor Day weekend and its unofficial ending of summer, we look forward to the return of our congregation's offerings for study and growth together in God's Word. This year is a bit different for us as we have been in an "educational recess" since the beginning of the "COVID Time" in March 2020. But, we are looking ahead and are hopeful to offer in-person Bible Studies once again. For the current time, our plans are as follows:

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Beginning today, September 12th at 8:30 AM, Pastor Schiebel will be leading a study on the Sunday Readings which will be proclaimed in the Divine Service which will follow our study time. This study will give the opportunity to take a "deeper look" at the Lessons we hear each week in worship, and sometimes even a preview into Pastor's sermon for that Sunday. Join us as we meet together in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Midweek Bible Study

As of right now, we are "putting on hold" our resuming our midweek gatherings for Bible Study. We are looking for input on the best way forward: gauging interest in the possibility of in-person gatherings for study during the week, or continuing the pattern of Midweek Devotions and Bible Study on Facebook Live as we have been holding for the past year. Please speak with Pastor about your thoughts and ideas.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... God saves our scraps and regifts them with Easter possibility. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday September 19, 2021, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Scrapped Gifts", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The "full text" version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2021 is available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost (<u>LSB</u> Proper 20), September 12, 2021 Jeremiah 11:18-20; James 3:13 – 4:10; Mark 9:30-37



Hyattsville Compassion Center

A shared ministry of Redeemer & Trinity Congregations and the Lutheran Mission Society

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours are:

Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours.

Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center.

If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

Trinity Stay-Safe Rules

- If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- As the county has reinstated the indoor mask mandate, we ask everyone to once again wear a mask while in the church building.
- Physical Distancing Requirements have been lifted, so you are free to sit where and as you wish. Use your own best judgement as to how close you wish to sit to others.
- Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

Thank you all for your continued patience and concern for one another during this time.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12 – 19 May Be Subject to Change

Today The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM Bible Study

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

11:00 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)

Monday10:00 AM - 4:00 PMCompassion Center OpenTuesday9 AM—NoonChurch Office Open

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Wednesday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open **Thursday** 9 AM—Noon Church Office Open

Next Sunday The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM Bible Study

9:30 AM Worship Service with Baptism & Receiving

of New Members and Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
11:00 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
12:00 PM Visitation & Funeral Service of Victory

for Priscilla Thate

(at Fort Lincoln Funeral Home & Cemetery)

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, September 5, 2021 Worship Attendance: 21; Communed: 19.



▼ O Christ, Hear Us! **▼**

Intercessions for the Week of September 12, 2021

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, John Tyler, Elizabeth, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Eric, Peter, Angela, and David, Sr.

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Alan, cousin of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers; Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary; Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Joyce, friend of the Peeles; Cora, aunt of Tracy; Catelyn, step-grandaughter of Ernie; Ray, relative of Kim; Sandy, relative of Kim; Cherra, mother-in-law of Meghan

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Sierra Bowman, Logan Lowery, and Ras-I Dowling, Jr., who celebrate their birthdays this week. For God's gift and blessing of grandparents

We Keep In Our Prayers

- Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.