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### 15th Sunday **After Trinity**

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# Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church

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## Service of the Word

**Opening Prayer** 

Opening Hymn

TLH 515 O Thou from Whom All Goodness Flows

Invocation

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  - (spoken) Amen.

### Confession and Absolution

- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- $\mathbf{P}$  Our help is in the name of the Lord,
  - (spoken) who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
  - (spoken) and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
  - $\mathbf{C}$ O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am truly sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of

our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### (spoken) Amen.

P In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!





### Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

(spoken) And also with you.

P Let us pray. . .

C (spoken) Amen

### First Reading

1 Kings 18:21-40

So Ahab sent for all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together on Mount Carmel. 21 And Elijah came to all the people, and said, "How long will you falter between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people answered him not a word. 22 Then Elijah said to the people, "I alone am left a prophet of the Lord; but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty men. 23 Therefore let them give us two bulls; and let them choose one bull for themselves, cut it in pieces, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire under it; and I will prepare the other bull, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire under it. 24 Then you call on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the Lord; and the God who

answers by fire, He is God." So all the people answered and said, "It is well spoken."

25 Now Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose one bull for yourselves and prepare it first, for you are many; and call on the name of your god, but put no fire under it."

26 So they took the bull which was given them, and they prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even till noon, saying, "O Baal, hear us!" But there was no voice; no one answered. Then they leaped about the altar which they had made.

27 And so it was, at noon, that Elijah mocked them and said, "Cry aloud, for he is a god; either he is meditating, or he is busy, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is sleeping and must be awakened." 28 So they cried aloud, and cut themselves, as was their custom, with knives and lances, until the blood gushed out on them. 29 And when midday was past, they prophesied until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice. But there was no voice; no one answered, no one paid attention.

30 Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come near to me." So all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken down. 31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the Lord had come, saying, "Israel shall be your name." 32 Then with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord; and he made a trench around the altar large enough to hold two seahs of seed. 33 And he put the wood in order, cut the bull in pieces, and laid it on the wood, and said, "Fill four waterpots with water, and pour it on the burnt sacrifice and on the wood." 34 Then he said, "Do it a second time," and they did it a second time; and he said, "Do it a third time," and they did it a third time. 35 So the water ran all around the altar; and he also filled the trench with water.

36 And it came to pass, at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near and said, "Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that You are God in Israel and I am Your servant, and that I have done all these things at Your word. 37 Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that You are the Lord God, and that You have turned their hearts back to You again."

38 Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood and the stones and the dust, and it licked up the water that was in the trench. 39 Now when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces; and they said, "The Lord, He is God! The Lord, He is God!"

40 And Elijah said to them, "Seize the prophets of Baal! Do not let one of them escape!" So they seized them; and Elijah brought them down to the Brook Kishon and executed them there.

### Psalm of the Day

Psalm 84:4-7

- P Blessed are those who dwell in Your house;
  - (spoken) They will still be praising You. Selah
- P Blessed is the man whose strength is in You,
  - (spoken) Whose heart is set on pilgrimage.
- P As they pass through the Valley of Baca, They make it a spring;
  - (spoken) The rain also covers it with pools.
- P They go from strength to strength;
  - (spoken) Each one appears before God in Zion.

### Second Reading

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. 9 As it is written:

"He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever."

10 Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, 11 while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



### **Apostles' Creed**

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 there 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.

**Hymn of the Day** *LSB 756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?* 

Sermon John 14:1-14

[Jesus said,] "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And where I go you know, and the way you know."

5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"

6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

7 "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him."

8 Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."

9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. 11 Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.

12 "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. 13 And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If you ask anything in My name, I will do it."

# The Answer to All Anxiety is Christ!

I: His way is the path to His Father's house
II: His words bear the Truth of His Father's Word
III: His works shine the light of His Father's grace

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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♪ Create in me a clean heart O God, And renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,

And uphold me with Thy free Spirit. Amen. J

Hymn

TLH 519 Beloved, It Is Well!

Offering

Prayer of the Church + the Lord's Prayer

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

### Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

Forever and ever. Amen

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Hymn

TLH 651 Be Still, My Soul

**Silent Prayer** 

# Welcome to Worship at Trinity!

**Please wait to be ushered** out of the sanctuary. Please do not leave any bulletins or other materials behind. **Offerings** may be left in the offering plate in the rear of the sanctuary or mailed to the church.

**Guest and Visitors**, we are delighted to have you here for worship with us this morning and are grateful for the opportunity to share the saving gospel message of Jesus Christ with you! Because He lives, we shall live also! We invite you to sign our guest book in the entryway. Please speak to the members and pastor if you wish to learn more about the Gospel ministry here at *Trinity*, and we hope to see you again!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Church Council + Women's Circle –** The church council and Women's Circle will plan to meet next Sunday following worship.

**Church Painting** – The church siding, trim, and windows have now been painted! Thank you to all the members who have supported this important effort!

**80**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Celebration** – After 80 years of God's grace at the corner of Wall and Wellesley, we will be celebrating Trinity's anniversary with a commemorative worship service at 3pm on Sunday, September 22nd. Bringing us the Word for this thankful occasion will be Rev. Terrel Kesterson. All are invited to join us as we praise the Lord for His countless blessings on our flock in years past and as we ask for His continued grace in the years to come.

**Anniversary Question?** – The church council is considering having our 3pm worship service on the 22<sup>nd</sup> replace our normal 10:30am worship, rather than having two services. We're looking for your input on the matter, so please take a few moments after church to let a council member or the pastor know your feelings.

**Anniversary Refreshments** – There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the entryway for volunteers to provide refreshments after our anniversary service. Please take a look and see if you might be able to help!

**Fellowship Hour Refreshments** – A new refreshment sign-up is on the table in the entryway. Please consider helping to furnish some light snacks for our time together after communion worship. **Nothing fancy required!** A few

pans of brownies, a box of donuts, cheese and crackers or perhaps some small sandwiches are all that we're hoping for – the fellowship time is what's important.

### PRAYERS REQUESTED

- Steffie Cunningham gave birth last Sunday to twins, Elianna Roslyn and Emerson Truett. Praise God from whom all blessings flow for keeping mother and children safe in delivery!
- Missionary Peter Evensen was taken to the emergency room this morning
  with health complications. It appears to be nothing life-threatening at this
  time, but we'll know more soon, God-willing. May our merciful heavenly
  Father be with Peter, strengthening his body and his soul.
- Stan White has now been officially diagnosed with cancer and began chemotherapy and radiation treatment last week. We thank God for a clear direction in Stan's treatment and pray that He would bless, strengthen, and heal Stan according to His will.
- Tom Steger, a friend of the congregation, went into emergency surgery recently to remove a spinal tumor. They removed as much as they could, but further treatment will be necessary. He is now recovering at home. May the Lord give Tom a swift recovery from surgery, may his cancer treatment be effective, and may the comfort of the Gospel strengthen the hearts of Tom and his wife, Jackie.
- Pastor Timothy Wheaton, who serves Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Loveland, Colorado, was recently diagnosed with a rare form of inoperable and highly aggressive stage-4 thyroid cancer. As his time on earth appears to be drawing to a close, may God give grace a comfort to Pastor Wheaton, his family, and our brothers and sisters at Prince of Peace during this difficult time.
- Molly Bettinger's friend, Jeanne (pronounced "Genie"), who has been suffering from glioblastoma had an MRI recently that shows a more enhanced brain tumor. Please continue to pray for Jeanne that she may be healed if it is God's will. Above all, may the joyful hope of the Gospel comfort her and her family no matter what the future holds.
- Please keep Pastor John Hein and his family in your prayers as he continues treatment for his thymic carcinoma. For updates on his care, visit: <a href="https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/pastorjohnhein">https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/pastorjohnhein</a>. Additionally, a GoFundMe has been set up to help offset medical and travel expenses: <a href="https://www.gofundme.com/f/john-and-janelle-hein-family">https://www.gofundme.com/f/john-and-janelle-hein-family</a>.

### CALL NEWS

<> Pastor Zachary Sippert of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD and Zion Ev. Lutheran Church Ipswich, SD has <u>accepted</u> the call to Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN. <> Pastor Samuel Rodebaugh has <u>accepted</u> the call to St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN following Pastor James Albrecht's retirement at the end of the year. <> Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA has <u>received</u> the call to St. Stephen West, Mountain View, CA. <> Pastor Timothy Wheaton of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Loveland, CO has announced his <u>retirement</u> from the ministry on September 29, 2024.

FRUITS OF FAITH AT TRINITY		
Date	Attendance	Offering
8/11/24	27	\$1,482
8/18/24	29	\$1,045
8/25/24	22	\$516
9/1/24	32	\$2,247

GREETER SCHEDULE		
Next Sunday	Joyce Miller	
9/22	Jeanne Helke	
9/29	Dennis & Linda Lux	
10/6	Randy & Lynne Estes	

SEPTEMBER CLEANING SCHEDULE		
North Entry	Kenkman	
Sanctuary	Poffenroth	
Basement	Naumann	

MOWING SCHEDULE			
This week	Lux		
9/21	Maguire		
9/28	Naumann		
10/5	Bettinger		

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# Do not be anxious about 1. Philippians 4:6

