

# **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 1, 2024

# Welcome Visitors!

We are both excited and honored that you've joined us for worship today! Please fill out the connection information via the QR code below, and let us know how we might be able to serve and pray for you.

We hope you'll join us again next week at 10:30 for worship. Our Sunday School classes start at 9:30 am if you would like to join in on those.



If you have a smartphone, use your phone's camera or code scanner to scan the code.

**Restrooms:** Located downstairs under the Sanctuary, the back hallway behind the Sanctuary or in the lobby connector with the Fellowship Hall.

**Families with Children:** If you wish, a staffed nursery for children aged 0-4 is located in the lower level of the building below the sanctuary. Children also have the option of worshiping in the sanctuary, or attending Children's Church, which begins after the Children's Chat.

If you have more questions about any of the above items or if you have questions about anything else, please feel free to ask an usher.

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### Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"We Have Come Into His House" Kathy Patrick

Karen McKnight

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#### **†** Confession and Forgiveness

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**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.** 

**P**: God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify Your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### C: Amen

- **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. Most Merciful God:
- C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

#### **† Opening Hymn** "Oh, How I Love Jesus"

There is a name I love to here, I love to sing it's worth, It sounds like music to my ears, The sweetest name on earth. Chorus:

Oh How I love Jesus, Oh, how I love Jesus Oh, how I love Jesus, because He first loved me

It tells me of a Saviors love, Who died to set us free It tells me of His precious blood, The sinners perfect plea.

## Chorus

It tells me what my Father has in store for everyday And though I tread a darksome path, Yields sunshine all the way

## Chorus

It tells of One whose loving heart Can feel my deepest woe Who in every sorrow bears a part That none can bear below.

## Chorus

## **†** The Prayer of the Day

**P:** O Lord, fully continue to purify and defend your Church. Since she cannot stand firmly without your power, govern her always by your grace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Children's Chat

## **First Reading**

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9

- <sup>1</sup> Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you.
- <sup>2</sup> Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.
- <sup>6</sup> Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people."
- <sup>7</sup> What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the Lord our God is near us whenever we pray to him?
- <sup>8</sup> And what other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws as this body of laws I am setting before you today?
- <sup>9</sup> Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

## Psalm 119: 129-136

- L: Your statutes are wonderful; therefore I obey them.
- C: The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.
- L: I open my mouth and pant, longing for your commands.
- C: Turn to me and have mercy on me, as you always do to those who love your name.
- L: Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me.
- C: Redeem me from human oppression, that I may obey your precepts.
- L: Make your face shine on your servant and teach me your decrees.
- C: Streams of tears flow from my eyes, for your law is not obeyed.

## + Second Reading

Ephesians 6: 10-20

- <sup>o</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.
- <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.
- <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.
- <sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.
- <sup>14</sup> Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,
- <sup>15</sup> and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.
- <sup>16</sup> In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.
- <sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.
- <sup>18</sup> And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.
- <sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel,
- <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

**†** Scripture Response "Let the Redeemed"

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, Let the redeemed of the Lord say so.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, I'm redeemed, I'm redeemed, I'm redeemed.

#### **†** Response before the Gospel

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 7th Chapter. **C:** Glory to you , O Lord.

### **†** Holy Gospel

Mark 7: 14-23

- <sup>14</sup> Ågain Jesus called the crowd to him and said, "Listen to me, everyone, and understand this.
- <sup>15</sup> Nothing outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them."

#### <sup>[16]</sup> [a]

- <sup>17</sup> After he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about this parable.
- <sup>18</sup> "Are you so dull?" he asked. "Don't you see that nothing that enters a person from the outside can defile them?
- <sup>19</sup> For it doesn't go into their heart but into their stomach, and then out of the body." (In saying this, Jesus declared all foods clean.)
- <sup>20</sup> He went on: "What comes out of a person is what defiles them.
- <sup>21</sup> For it is from within, out of a person's heart, that evil thoughts come—sexual immorality, theft, murder,
- <sup>22</sup> adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly.
- <sup>23</sup> All these evils come from inside and defile a person."

### **†** Response following the Gospel

P: The Gospel of the Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

### **†** Sermon

"That which Defiles"

**†** Hymn of the Day "What a Friend/Nothing but the Blood"

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear. What a privilege to carry, Everything to God in prayer Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry, everything to God in prayer. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged, take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness Take it to the Lord in prayer. What can wash away our sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. O! Precious is the flow That makes me white as snow. No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. O! Precious is the flow That makes me white as snow. No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

#### **†** Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the live everlasting. Amen.

### **†** Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.C: And also with you.P: Let us share the peace of Christ.

- **† Offering** "Heart of Worship" Braydon Carter
- **+** Presentation of the Offering
- **†** Offertory Response "Worthy, You are Worthy" Worthy, You are worthy, King of Kings Lord of Lords, You are worthy Worthy, You are worthy, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, I worship You. Jesus, You are Jesus, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, You are Jesus. Jesus, You are Jesus, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, I worship You.
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- **†** Prayers of the People
- **† The Lord's Prayer** LBW Page 71
- **† Sending Hymn** "I love to tell the Story" LBW Hymn 390

- **†** Benediction
- The Dismissal
  P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
  C: Thanks be to God.

**†** Postlude

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God.

**Prayer Concerns**: Patty Williams, Elizabeth Nahouse, Emma Sloop, Doris Pless, Duane Ellis, Nancy Kneeburg - Billie Bollinger's aunt, Ron Beaver, and Juanita Alexander.

If you would like to offer **Special Music** during worship services, please let Karen McKnight know. We welcome anyone that would like to share their talents.



Save the date for our next Family Night @ Trinity on September 4th!

Dinner will be served at 6pm followed by a talent show at 6:45pm.

Do you sing, dance, act, tell jokes, play an instrument or have any other special

talents? This is your chance to shine and be a part

of our family night, "Trinity's Got Talent"!

Contact Pastor Candice if you would like to participate!

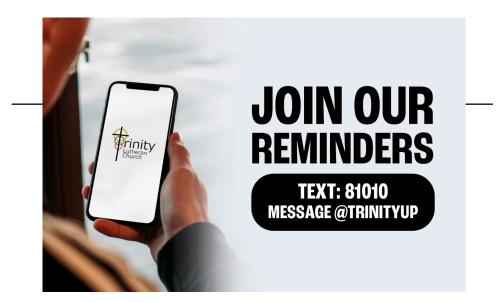


The American Legion (Post 146) on Central Avenue is having their **hot dog**/ **hamburger sale** on Saturday, 9/7. Please come out and support the American Legion

Ladies Auxiliary and enjoy the food and fellowship.



Join us for "Move Up Sunday" on September 15th. Breakfast will be served at 9:15am in Fisher Hall. Following breakfast we will have introductions of Sunday School classes and teachers. Please come for a renewal of Sunday School fellowship for all ages.







### Mark your calendars: Events and Meetings Happening This Week

Sunday	Sunday School - 9:30 am Worship Service - 10:30 am
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Family Night - 6:00 pm Dinner, 6:45 pm Talent Show
Thursday	
Friday	
Saturday	American Legion Hot Dog/Hamburger Sale



September 22, 2024 is the date our congregation will celebrate our 115th year of serving our Lord Jesus Christ and the community that surrounds us. We will celebrate the day starting at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School. Following at 10:30 a.m., our worship service begins with special singing and guest speaker Rev. Bill Ketchie. Immediately following the service, we will all join in a covered dish luncheon in Fisher Hall. We are hopeful that you can be with us to worship and then enjoy the meal and fellowship. We look forward to your being with us. We'll

set a place at the table for you!

#### Giving Report for August 18, 2024

	Attendance	Received		Need Each Week
Worship Service	111	\$	2,078	\$ 4,337.44
Sunday School	52	\$	11.00	
Building Fund		\$	550.00	
Other Funds		\$	505.00	

#### **Those Serving Today**

The People of God
Pastor Candice Carter
Karen McKnight
Meredith & Terry Spry
Maggie Deal & Mason Rodgers
Ashley Cherry
Sherilee Deal
Rebecca Clark
Judy Matthews & Travis Rodgers

Ministers Pastor Music Lector Acolytes Children's Church K-5 Sunday School HS Sunday School Nursery

#### **Those Serving Next Week**

The People of God Pastor Candice Carter Karen McKnight Meredith & Terry Spry Mason Rodgers & CJ McKnight Paige Sloop John McKnight Adrian Parker Trent Cherry & Elizabeth Rodgers Ministers Pastor Music Lector Acolytes Children's Church K-5 Sunday School HS Sunday School Nursery

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