



# Trinity Lutheran Church

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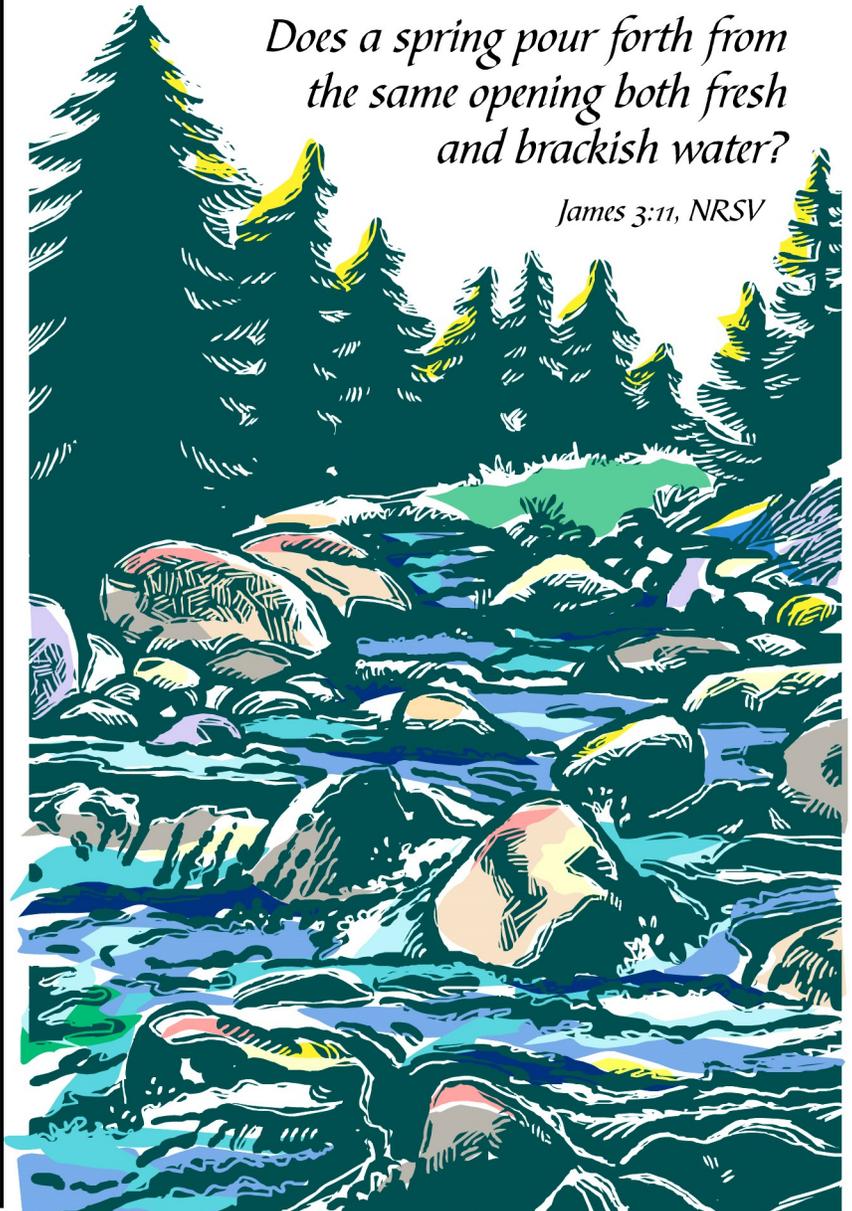
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### September 12, 2021 Divine Service IV

*Does a spring pour forth from  
the same opening both fresh  
and brackish water?*

*James 3:11, NRSV*



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# Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

## Hymn: 545 WORD OF GOD, COME DOWN ON EARTH



1 Word of God, come down on earth, Liv - ing rain from  
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to  
3 Word that caused blind eyes to see, Speak and heal our  
4 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, One with God be -



heav'n de - scend - ing; Touch our hearts and bring to birth  
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,  
mor - tal blind - ness; Deaf we are: our heal - er be;  
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove,



Faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,  
Cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, Sav - ing Word, the  
Loose our tongues to tell Your kind - ness. Be our Word in  
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to



we re - vere You; Word made flesh, we long to hear You.  
world re - stor - ing, Speak to us, Your love out - pour - ing.  
pit - y spo - ken, Heal the world, by sin now bro - ken.  
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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*Please rise*

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
Congregation **Amen.**

Pastor Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
Congregation **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
Congregation **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Pastor Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**CONFESSION - Please kneel**

**Congregation** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

Pastor

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Congregation** **Amen.**

*Please rise*

## **KYRIE** *LSB 204*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** *LSB 204*



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Pastor

The Lord be with you.

**Congregation** **And also with you.**

Pastor

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.

**Congregation** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Isaiah 50:4–10*

<sup>4</sup>The 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. <sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward.

<sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>But 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.

<sup>8</sup>He 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. <sup>9</sup>Behold, 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. <sup>10</sup>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.

Pastor This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE** *James 3:1–12*

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For 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. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. <sup>4</sup>Look 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. <sup>5</sup>So 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! <sup>6</sup>And 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. <sup>7</sup>For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup>but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

Pastor This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Mark 9:14–29*

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter, beginning at verse 14.

**Congregation Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. <sup>15</sup>And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. <sup>16</sup>And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" <sup>17</sup>And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute.

<sup>18</sup>And 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." <sup>19</sup>And 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." <sup>20</sup>And 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. <sup>21</sup>And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. <sup>22</sup>And 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."

<sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." <sup>24</sup>Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" <sup>25</sup>And 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." <sup>26</sup>And 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." <sup>27</sup>But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. <sup>28</sup>And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" <sup>29</sup>And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation Praise to You, O Christ.**

**APOSTLES' CREED—Congregation**

**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.**

*Please be seated*

**Hymn: 849 PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS**



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
 3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
 gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
 in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
 With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
 That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
 wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
 glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
 Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
 praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

Please rise

**SERMON – Please be seated for the sermon**

Please rise

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor Almighty God, we give thanks for all Your goodness and bless You for the love that sustains us from day to day. We praise You for the gift of Your Son, our Savior, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. We thank You for the Holy Spirit, the Comforter; for Your holy Church, for the means of grace, for the lives of all faithful and just people, and for the hope of the life to come. Help us to treasure in our hearts all that You have done for us, and enable us to show our thankfulness in lives that are wholly given to Your service. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Save and defend Your whole Church, purchased with the precious blood of Christ. Strengthen Your faithful people through the Word and the holy Sacraments, making them perfect in love and in all good works, and establishing in them the faith once delivered to the saints. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Grant Your wisdom and heavenly grace to all pastors and to those who hold office in Your Church that, by their devoted service, faith may abound and Your kingdom increase. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Send the light of Your truth into all the earth. Raise up faithful servants of Christ to advance the Gospel both at home and in distant lands. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor In Your mercy strengthen newly established congregations, and support them in challenging times. Make them steadfast, abounding in the work of the Lord, and let their faith and zeal for the Gospel refresh and renew the witness of Your people everywhere. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Preserve our nation in justice and honor that we may lead a peaceable life with integrity. Grant health and favor to all who bear office in our land, especially *the president and congress of the United States, the governor and legislature of this state and to all those who make, administer, and judge our laws.* Help them to serve people according to Your holy will. (Prayer for 911) Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Take from us all hatred and prejudice, give us the spirit of love, and order our days in Your peace. Prosper the labor of those who work to bring peace and justice to the nations of the world that mutual understanding and common endeavor may be increased among all peoples. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Bless all colleges, universities, and centers of research and those who teach and work in them. Grant Your wisdom in such measure that people may serve You honorably in Church and state, and that our common life may be conformed to the ways of Your truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Sanctify our homes with Your presence, and bless them with joy. Keep our children in the covenant of their Baptism, and enable their parents to bring them up in lives of faith and devotion. Unite the members of all families in a spirit of affection and service that they may show Your praise in our land and in all the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor Let Your blessing remain upon the seedtime and harvest, the commerce and industry, the leisure and rest, the arts and culture of our people. Take under Your special protection those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and be with all who put their hands to any useful task. Give them the just rewards for their labor and the knowledge that their work is a blessing in Your sight. Lord, in Your mercy,

### **Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor By Your Word and Holy Spirit comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity especially the family of Mary Ann Grunewald. May God give strength and comfort and peace that only You can give to Mary Ann's loved ones. Remind them that one day there will be a joyful reunion in heaven. Be with those who suffer persecution for the faith. Bring consolation to those in sorrow, and grant to all a measure of Your love, taking them into Your tender care. Lord, in Your mercy,

**Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor We remember those who are having birthdays in our church this week.

**Nathan Cassity, Aaron Kuhlow, Danielle Lindekugel, John Pelnar, Joshua Henschel, Kathy Schmid, Larry Bender, Alice Perronne,**

**Congregation hear our prayer.**

Pastor All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

**Congregation Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**OFFERING** – *Please put your attendance card in the offering plate. We rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.*

**ALL: LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICAMUS** LSB 212

Pastor Let us bless the Lord.

**Congregation Thanks be to God.**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor 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 ✠ give you peace.

**Congregation Amen.**

**825 RISE, SHINE, YOU PEOPLE**



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered  
2 See how He sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;  
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,  
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent His Son to save us.



Our hu - man sto - ry; God in Him is cen - tered.  
He brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing.  
Your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark-ness hurl - ing.  
Tell of the Son, who life and free-dom gave us.



He comes to us, by death and sin sur -  
All men and wom - en, who by guilt are  
To all the world go out and tell the  
Tell how the Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry



round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.  
driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.  
sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

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# THE TRINITY MESSENGER

We welcome and thank Pastor Zick who will be leading us in worship today.

## CHRISTIAN FUNERAL

A Christian Funeral was held here on Friday, September 10th for Mary Ann Grunewald. Pastor Bert Mueller officiated. We pray the Lord gives strength and comfort to the Grunewald Family.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS TODAY—Kick off celebration on September 19.

Sunday school begins today at 9:15am. The Sunday school Kickoff celebration that is held outside (Weather permitting) is on September 19<sup>th</sup> following the late service. Join us for hotdogs, ice cream and games.

**BIBLE CLASS BEGINS TODAY AT 9:15AM. It will be led by Pastor Zick.**

## WE NEED 1 MORE SECRET FRIEND

Would you like to be a Secret friend to a confirmation student? Secret Friends keep the student in their daily prayers and communicate regularly with the student via cards, gifts (optional), and words of encouragement in the faith, all while keeping their identity a secret. This is a three year commitment. You will be revealed to the student at the Eighth Grade Confirmation Banquet. Please contact Toni in the office or email at [secretary@trinityhowardsgrove.org](mailto:secretary@trinityhowardsgrove.org) if you are interested.

## CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Christian Women's Fellowship will resume on Monday, September 13th at 6:30 p.m. We would love to have new members join. All women from our congregation are invited to attend. CWF will be making Love Packets for our college students. If you have a child in college, please email or call the church office. The Fall Rally is September 17 & 18th in Oshkosh, WI. The theme is "Jesus is the Light." John 9:5. Retreat Speaker: International Hymnal Consultant Deaconess, Sandra Rhein.

## SPECIAL OFFERING

The special offering for September is Bethesda Lutheran Home. Bethesda Lutheran Home enhances the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through services that share the good news of Jesus Christ.

<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>September 12</b> <b>September 12</b> <b>September 19</b> <b>September 19</b>	<b>8:00am</b> Allison Schobert, Dylan Elias <b>10:30am</b> Annika Liermann, <b>8:00am</b> Jameson Schmidt <b>10:30am</b> Joseph Senkbeil
<b>Altar Guild</b>	<b>August 30-Sept. 12</b>	Janice Lieftring, Kathy Shircel
<b>September Ushers</b> <b>September Elders</b>		<b>Early</b> —Team 3 <b>Late</b> - Team 6 <b>Early</b> —Aaron Kuhlow <b>Late</b> —Jim Post
<b>Video Operators</b>	<b>September 12</b> <b>September 19</b>	Craig Lallensack Scott Timm

<b>Financials and attendance for September 2, 5, 2021</b>	<b>6:30pm 49</b>	<b>9:30am—95</b>		<b>Total—144</b>
<b>Description of Offering</b>	<b>Amount Given</b>		<b>Description of Offering</b>	<b>Amount Given</b>
General Fund	\$5,856.00		Kitchen Remodel Fund	\$60.00
Bethesda Lutheran	\$190.00		Church Improvement	\$740.00
Roof Replacement Fund	\$160.00			

<b>Monday Sept.13</b> <b>8:30am</b> Preschool  <b>6:30pm</b> Christian Women's Fellowship	<b>Tuesday Sept. 14</b> <b>8:30am</b> Preschool	<b>Wednesday Sept. 15</b> <b>8:30am</b> Preschool  <b>Confirmation 6/7 grade</b> 4-4:55pm  <b>8th grade</b> 5-6pm	<b>Thursday Sept. 16</b> <b>8:30am</b> Preschool	<b>Friday Sept. 17</b>	<b>Saturday, Sept.18</b>	<b>Sunday Sept. 19</b> <b>8:00am</b> —Family Worship with Holy Communion <b>10:30am</b> —Family Worship with Holy communion <b>9:15am</b> —Bible Class <b>9:15am</b> —Sunday School
<b>Just a reminder, Confirmation begins this week. There will be an area on the table in the narthex with sermon note forms, memory work, and other necessary information needed for confirmation.</b>						