



Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool

Howards Grove, Wisconsin



TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"

Welcome to Trinity!

W2776 State Highway 32
Howards Grove, WI 53083

Worship:

Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am

Sunday School/Bible Class:

Sundays at 9:15am

September 10, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting 4



...WHATEVER YOU
bind on
earth
SHALL BE
bound in
heaven...

MATTHEW 18:18, ESV

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8:00 and 10:30am Installation of Sunday School Staff - Superintendent: Aaron Kuhlow

Preschool/Kindergarten—Addison Lallensack

1st and 2nd grade—Mary Lou Neumann

3rd and 4th grade—Melissa Schukow and Matthew Schukow

5th and 6th grade—Nathan Cassity, Jason Grunewald, and Amanda Grunewald

7th and 8th grade—Aaron Kuhlow

Any additional helpers/substitutes

Opening Hymn: LSB 750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

Stand

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.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P 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.

Kneel/Sit

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

P 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.

C Amen.

Stand

Introit

Psalm 92:1–4; antiphon: v. 5

P How great are your works, O LORD!

C Your thoughts are very deep!

P It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

C to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

P to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

C and your faithfulness by night,

P to the music of the lute and the harp,

C to the melody of the lyre.

P For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;

C at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

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.

P How great are your works, O LORD!

C Your thoughts are very deep!

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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-9

⁷"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand
Alleluia and Verse



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



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



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



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

Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:1–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷“Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰“See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹¹For the Son of Man came to save the lost. ¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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.**

Sermon Hymn: LSB 531 Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church *We respond with Amen. Prayer requests: the family of Trent Lieffring, Eugene Bubolz, Michael Winter, Connie Hansen, Todd Bender, Randy Ries, Marie Rietbrock, Liz Haag, Lori (Kober) Badtke, Peter Sixel, family of Lonnie Bigler, and our shut-ins.*

Sit

Offering—*Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.*

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.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P 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.

C Amen.

Sit

Closing Hymn: LSB 923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word—*Please rise for the final verse.*

Acknowledgments

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<u>Serving Sep 10, 2023</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
Acolytes:	Andie Koenig and Matthew Koenig	Emily Harris and Macey Schueler
Greeters:	Dave and Robie Scharinger	Dick and Sherry Horness
Video Operators:	Lance Liermann	
Ushers:	Team 5	Team 2
Elders:	Aaron Kuhlow	Jim Post
Altar Guild:	Ann Parnitzke and Patsy Sixel	

<u>Attendance Aug 31 & Sep 3, 2023</u>	
	Thursday: 50
	Sunday: 89
	Total: 139

<u>Serving September 14, 2023</u>	<u>6:30pm</u>
Acolytes:	Bryce Peter and Brody Timm
Greeters:	
Video Operators:	
Ushers:	Team 5
Elders:	Aaron Kuhlow
Altar Guild:	Wendy Forward and Debbie Henschel

<u>Aug 31 & Sep 3, 2023 Offering</u>	
General	\$6,706.00
Special Offering (AbelLight)	\$225.00
Kitchen Remodel	\$10.00
Church Improvement	\$90.00

<u>Monday</u> <u>September 11</u>	<u>Tuesday</u> <u>September 12</u>	<u>Wednesday</u> <u>September 13</u>	<u>Thursday</u> <u>September 14</u>	<u>Friday</u> <u>September 15</u>	<u>Saturday</u> <u>September 16</u>	<u>Sunday</u> <u>September 17</u>
8:30am Preschool 1:00pm Quilting 6:30pm Women's Bible Study/CWF	8:30am Preschool 10:30am Hands for Hope	8:30am Preschool 4:00pm Confirmation	8:30am Preschool 6:30pm Worship			10:00am Christopher Gardens Service

<u>Monday</u> <u>September 18</u>	<u>Tuesday</u> <u>September 19</u>	<u>Wednesday</u> <u>September 20</u>	<u>Thursday</u> <u>September 21</u>	<u>Friday</u> <u>September 22</u>	<u>Saturday</u> <u>September 23</u>	<u>Sunday</u> <u>September 24</u>
8:30am Preschool 1:00pm Quilting	8:30am Preschool 6:00pm Education 6:30pm Elders 7:30pm Council	8:30am Preschool 4:00pm Confirmation	8:30am Preschool			8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship

Trinity Messenger

Thank you to Ethan Winter for playing for us this week! We appreciate your time and talents.

Flowers on the altar are sponsored by Bob and Nicole Peter for their 21st Wedding Anniversary.

Birthday Blessings to: Logan Cote, Carter Hopf, Erika Lutzke, Katlyn Yinko, Nathan Cassity, Sam Schukow, Audrey Barts, Mary Fremer, Aaron Kuhlow, John Pelnar, and Kathleen Schmid.

As of TODAY: Our Worship Schedule will change back to Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am with Sunday School and Adult Bible Class in between at 9:15am. **However, there is one exception: we will be having a Thursday service on September 14th at 6:30pm as an alternative to those who cannot make it to the September 17th service at Christopher Gardens.**

Sunday School Kickoff will be after the late service TODAY. We will have hot dogs, chips, and ice cream sundaes to eat and games for the kids. Everyone is welcome to attend!

On behalf of the Craig Lallensack/Michelle Timm families, we would like to thank the congregation for the thoughts, prayers and concerns for our dad, David, who underwent open heart surgery to replace a heart valve and repair an aneurysm on that aorta back in June.

We would like to thank everyone for prayers during Buck's surgery and recovery. May God bless you all. Thanks, Al, Charleen, and Buck Baumann.

Christian Women's Fellowship will meet Monday, September 11th at 6:30pm for a Bible study, followed by a business meeting for the group. Any woman of the congregation is welcome to join!

Hands for Hope is meeting Tuesday, September 12th at 10:30am. Please bring any hats that you were working on over the Summer.

Christopher Gardens Outdoor Service: All are invited to Christopher Gardens on Sunday, September 17th at 10am. Parking is on the grass lot by the vineyard. The address is W580 Garton Road (take the road until you see the vineyard entrance on your right). Ushers will be available to lead people to the grass worship pavilion (This will be a beautiful Lutheran Service without communion). Members will have an opportunity to give their offering at the worship service. We will have various donation "buckets" available for the three congregations attending. We will ALSO have a special door offering for Meals on Wheels. A 40x60 tent is available for those who need shade. Note, **this is a bring your own lawn chair/blanket event.** Golf carts driven by staff will help those in need. A local physician will also be on site during worship. After the Service all are welcome to light refreshments and self-guided tours of the gardens until late afternoon. Feel free to invite friends and family. Pastor Barkley will be preaching and Pastor Fremer will be the liturgist. Please note that if rain is predicted, we will notify by Saturday, September 16th and have a Rain Date Service on September 24th at the Gardens.

Orphan Grain Train is currently collecting donations to help people in Ukraine. The greatest need right now is winter gear for everyone—men, women, and all ages of kids. They are looking for new or gently used coats, hats, mittens, gloves, boots, sturdy shoes, and socks. There is also an urgent need for monetary donations to purchase medical supplies, especially tourniquets. Cost for each one is \$50, but if they have the funds to purchase in bulk, the price drops down to \$35 each. If you'd like to donate online, please go to <https://www.oqt.org/branches/wisconsin/>. Please specify if it is to cover shipping cost or medical supplies. Winter gear donations can be brought to church and placed in the **large boxes under the table in the narthex.** Please have your material donations in by September 14th, as they will be collected the following day. Online donations can occur at any point. Thanks!

On Saturday, October 14 the North & South Wisconsin LLL District Joint Convention will feature the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty (LCRL) at Peace Lutheran Church, 1228 South Park Ave., Neenah, Wisconsin. **You are invited to participate in "What is a Two Kingdom Church?" led by Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, executive director of LCRL.** The 3 sessions are:

- # 1 Two Kingdoms: One Mission & Foundation
- # 2 God at Work: A Two Kingdom Exercise in the American Context
- # 3 Set Free to Live Freely for Others: A Two Kingdom Engagement of the culture for the sake of the mission of the church

Doors open at 8:00 a.m. with the convention opening in worship at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at 3:30 p.m. Registration is \$30.00 per person, which includes lunch. There is no registration fee for pastors to attend. Register today! **For more information and registration forms, see the back table in the narthex.** Mail your registration form and fees to Peggy Kraase, So Wisconsin LLL Secretary at N115 W16887 El Camino Dr., Germantown, WI 53022. Registration deadline is October 9, 2023.

St. Paul's Sheboygan Falls is having a Trash 'N Treasure rummage sale on Saturday, September 23 from 9am-3pm. They will also have a Brat Fry and Bake Sale. Proceeds go to St. Paul Friends Mission Projects. Come check out their large range of thousands of items. They're located at 730 CTH PPP in Sheboygan Falls.