

Trinity Lutheran Church

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**Tenth Sunday
of Pentecost
Lection 20**

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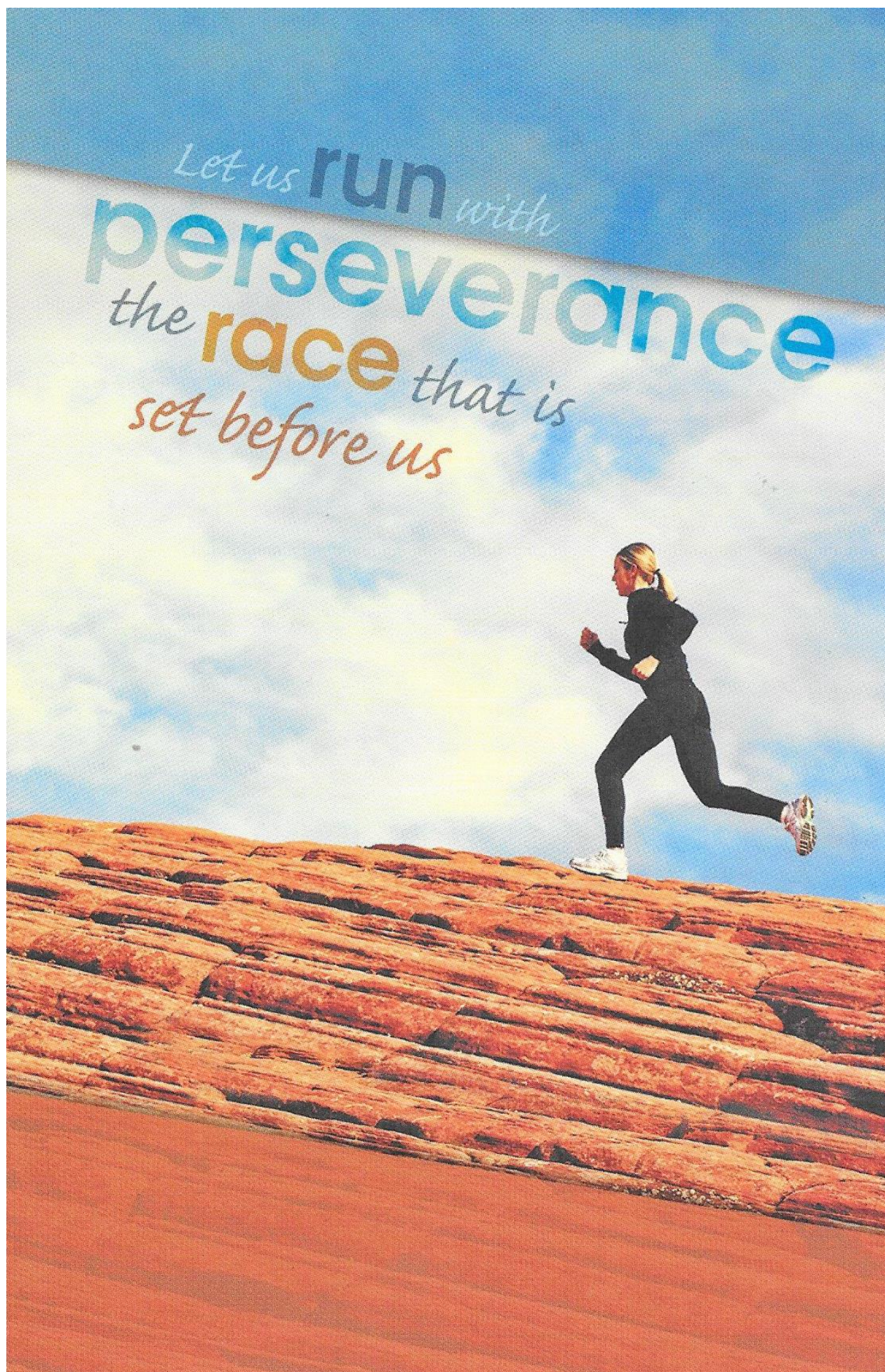
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TENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST ~ LECTIO 20

SERVICE OF THE WORD

9:00 AM AUGUST 14TH, 2022



Sundays after
Pentecost

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL! *We are gathered in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who beckons us to come to Him in faith and repentance. May the gospel of the Lord inspire and fill you with the Spirit! Fellowship & refreshments are available in the Library immediately following our Sunday worship. Pastor Tim is still testing positive for Covid. Please pray for his recovery as he recuperates at home.*

GATHERING

WE PREPARE...*The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses." In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."*

PRELUDE/ PARISH NOTICES/ RINGING OF THE BELL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**





1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
 2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph - ets burn - ing with the word,
 3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,

Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"
 those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song.
 and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;

Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;
 Pow'rs of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
 from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:

sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.
 all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
 "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:23-29

The first reading is in Jeremiah chapter 23, verses 23-29.

Am I a God nearby, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back — those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

The second reading is in Hebrews chapter 11, verse 29 through chapter 12, verse 2.

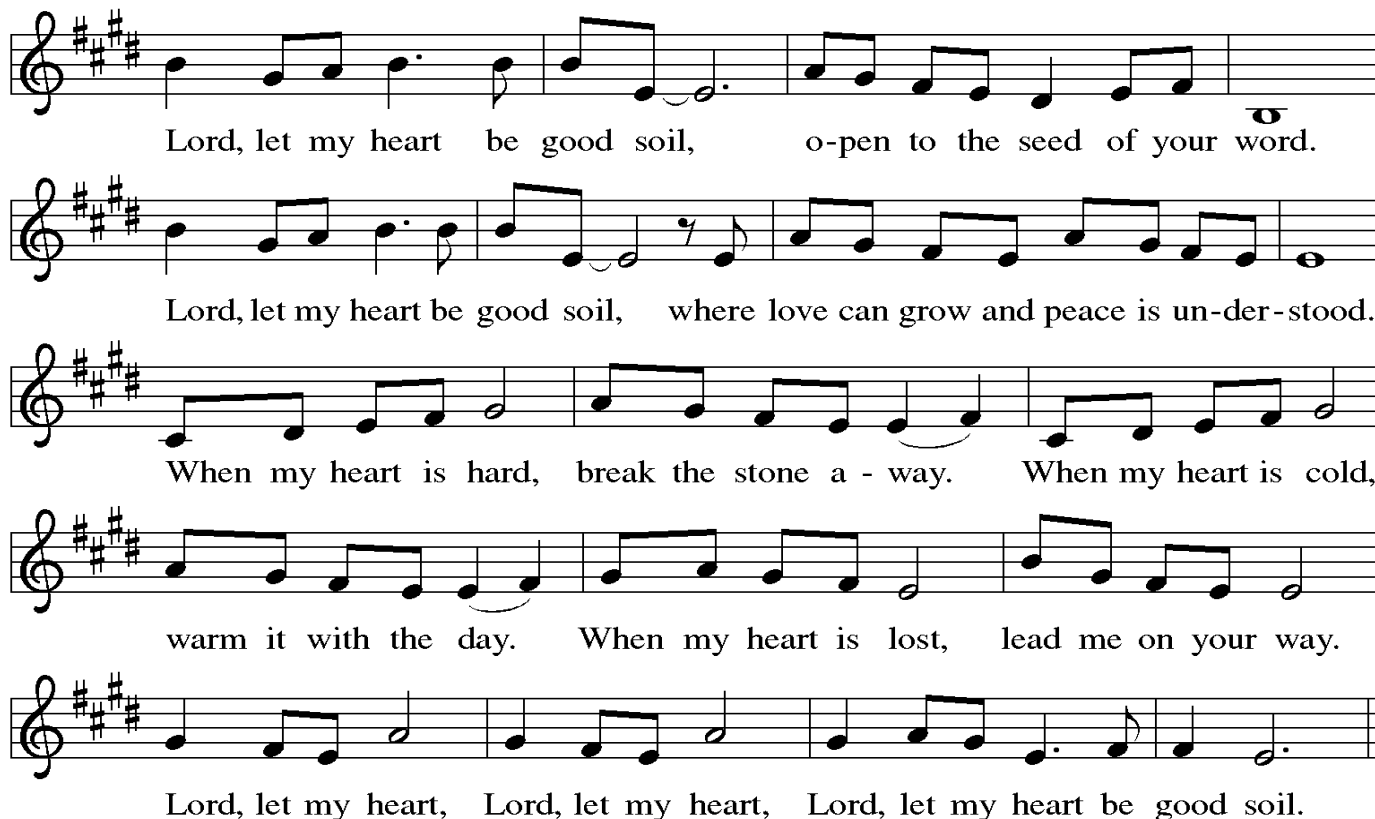
By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets — who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented — of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**



GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-56

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 12th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

*father against son and son against father,
mother against daughter and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and
daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."*

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



Luke 12:49

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Mason

1 Lord, keep us steady in your word; curb those who
 2 Lord Jesus Christ, your power make known, for you are
 3 O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and
 by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your Son
 Lord of lords alone; defend your holy church, that we
 u-ni-ty on earth; support us in our final strife
 and bring to naught all he has done.
 may sing your praise e-ter-nal-ly.
 and lead us out of death to life.

CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come 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 life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH God of grace, hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

"MARY'S CHOICE"

(Please sign the Welcome Pads and pass to your neighbor)

(The offering is brought forward by the ushers during the song)

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, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Lead On O King Eternal

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1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,

hence - forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Our thanks to all who serve the Body of Christ

SUNDAY		9:00 Worship
Accompanist	Mary Mulry	
Reader	Eric Wahlborg	
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen	
Greeters	Rose Wall	
Ushers	Keith Lendt & Dennis Mangan	
Altar Guild	Judy Johnson & Sara Sellner	

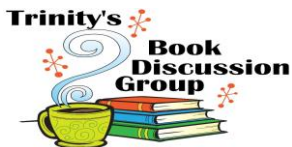


***WE EXPRESS OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES** to Kevin and Diane Hardin, Mike and Melinda all of the family members and friends of **Beverly Hardin**, Kevin's mother, who passed away on July 24th and was laid to rest yesterday with services in Illinois. May God bless and keep them in His perfect peace.*

.....and Sara Sellner and her family in the loss of her grandmother, Pat Johnson, mother-in-law of Floyd Stenger. Service information is not yet available. May God bless her memory.

With the delicious meals available in the freezer located in room 109 just off the dining room we now need your help. The meals are to be given to people who are experiencing some sort of life changing event, be it a new baby, illness, a death in the family, or anyone you think would benefit from a tasty, readymade dinner. Remember, you are the hands of Jesus in our world.

Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!



The Book Club Discussion group will meet after worship today at the Pix Coffee Shop. Please come if you are able. If you have any questions you can contact Michal Anderson-Lowther at lowthome@mchsi.com

The basketball hoop at the parsonage is looking for a new home. Please let Darlene know if you are interested. It's free to take and haul.



BY
faith



Trinity's Evangelism Board has started planning a community project, "God's Work Our Hands", by entering a church "float" in the Sleepy Eye Summerfest Grand Parade (this August 20 from 6p -8p).

Starry Night Construction has donated use of a vehicle.

We are in need of:

- parents and students to walk close to the curb handing out candy.
- We have ordered bulk candy and fringe for the vehicle.
- We will decorate in the church parking lot prior to the parade at 4:30 pm.

Our Float in
the Parade!

We have 1 week left to make this a successful event!

A Thrivent Card has been approved to cover costs.

Please call Cindy Steffl at 507 227-0824 to help. Thank You!



**Rally Day and "God's Work Our Hands"
will be September 11th!**

Please be there for fun and Fellowship!

**Sign up in the Narthex for your favorite
projects!**

Board of Education~ Pack School Kits for Missions

Evangelism~ Help with Trinity's Parade on August 20th

Fellowship~ Sundae's on Sunday! Here on September 11th

Stewardship~ Tie Fleece Blankets for Missions

Church Properties~ Plant and Campus Cleanup

Lay Ministry~ Pack Blizzard Bags

Social Ministries~ Pack Food Backpacks for Sleepy Eye kids at Mark Thomas

Youth~ Visit residents of the Care Center

Welca~ Supply and Pack School Kits for Missions

**"God's Work Our Hands" is our way of honoring our Lord
and helping other people.**

Together WE can all make a difference!

Please sign up today to help.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Lakeside Worship at 9:00 AM	1 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI Anon 6:30 pm Safe Church Policy Training 	2 7 am-Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm AA	3 9 am-Women's Bible Study  Summer Fun at Trinity! From 4-8pm All are Welcome!	4	5	6
7 9 am- Holy Communion 10 am Fellowship Hour	8 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI Anon Trista Back	9 7 am-Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Property Board 6:30 pm AA	10 9 am-Women's Bible Study	11	12 	13
14 9 am- Worship 10 am Fellowship Hour	15 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 3-5 pm Prokinship for Kids 5:30 pm AI Anon	16 7 am-Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm AA 7 pm Stewardship	17	18	19  Summer FEST! Trinity Float! Tidings Due !	20
21 9 am Holy Communion 10 am Fellowship Hour	22 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI Anon 	23 7 am-Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm AA	24 9 am-Women's Bible Study 6 pm Board of Education	25	26 	27 Summer Office Hours Tues-Thurs: 9-3 Fri: 9-Noon
28 9 am Worship 10 am Fellowship Hour 10 am Safe Church Class 5 pm Worship at Sundown	29 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 5:30 pm AI Anon	30 Blood Drive! 7 am-Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Staff Meeting 3-5 pm Prokinship for Kids 6:30 pm AA	31 9 am-Women's Bible Study			

August 14th, 2022

Run the race of faith.

Sunday	Luke 12:49-56	Jesus the cause of division
Monday	Hebrews 11:29—12:2	The example of faith
Tuesday	John 9:13-34	Pharisees divided on Jesus
Wednesday	Acts 14:1-7	Division at Iconium
Thursday	1 Corinthians 1:10-17	Paul writes about division
Friday	Hebrews 10:23-25	Persevere in the Lord
Saturday	Psalm 35	Contend, O Lord
Sunday	Luke 13:10-17	Jesus heals on the Sabbath



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Such a large crowd of witnesses is all around us! So we must get rid of everything that slows us down, especially the sin that just won't let go. And we must be determined to run the race that is ahead of us. Hebrews 12:1

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Let us run the race of faith that is before us: Let us never give up. Amen. (Hebrews 12:1)

Mealtime Prayer:

Lord, with food you feed us and with love you lead us. Thank you for giving all we need for living. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God give you a faith that keeps on going. May you keep your eyes fixed on Jesus. Amen. (Hebrews 12:1-2)

CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your home or small group:

Who has been an encouragement to you in your life? How?

Hebrews 11 lists people of faith who encourage us by the way they have trusted God.

Who or what encourages you in your faith?

How can you be an encouragement to others?

DEVOTIONS

In Luke 12:49-56, Jesus talks about painful divisions in families. At the heart of these divisions is our turning away from Jesus. Hebrews 12:1-2 reminds us to run the race of faith and keep our focus on Jesus, the one who makes our faith complete. As a devotional for healing of our daily divisions, draw or cut out a running shoe and write on it, "Run the race of faith, (your name), by . . . (list ways you can keep your eye on Jesus by showing kindness and mercy to others)."

SERVICE

The heart of service is God's call to justice and mercy for those in need (see Jesus' opening sermon in Luke 4:16-21). Summer is a particular time many families are in need of food. Give a donation or collect food items that can be used at a local food shelf.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Hebrews 12:1 encourages us to "get rid of everything that slows us down" from following Jesus. Have a service of repentance in your home. Take a stone that symbolizes things in your life that keep you from following Jesus. Pass the stone around. Each person names something silently or aloud that they would like to confess to God. When each person has had a turn, say this prayer:

Dear Jesus, forgive us for those times when we don't follow you. Help us to fight against sin and to keep our eyes on you. Amen. Conclude by blessing each other using this week's blessing in Taking Faith Home.

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In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

Please take your bulletin home for weekly family devotional time



Trinity's Mission Statement

We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all people to be disciples in His name.

TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN Send an email to secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org and let Darlene know you want your newsletter via email!

**TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK
CHECK IT OUT!!**

"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on www.sleepyeyeonline.com watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give.

Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You.

Last week at Trinity

Weekly Worship Attendance:	57
Weekly Giving: (5846.00 Needed)	\$5427.45
August Giving: (\$23,360.00 Needed)	\$5427.45
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$142,802.89
Budget Contributions needed	\$187,076.80
2022 Approved Budget	\$308,000.00



***Thrivent members are reminded to direct their Choice Dollars each year any time after April 1st of the year.
Please consider naming Trinity for your Choice Funds.
Call 800-847-4836 and have your ID Number available.***

This Week's Prayer Concerns

Pray for the Church...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

Pray for our World...that pain of this Covid-19 pandemic, which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to **Dean, Jerry, Beth, Harold, Sue, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Dylan, Emma, Ed, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Tammy, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Julia Ann, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Ed, Kimora, and Mary Jo.**

Pray for the beloved... who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones,... that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

Pray for all families...especially the family of Mark Beito as he journeys to the ELCA National Convention in Ohio....that the Holy Spirit would bring joy and spiritual growth to all who are separated from one another and each would be blessed with their safe return to us...

Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home...for **Brady Augustin** and his wife ...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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