

Trinity Lutheran Church

September 11th,
2022

Twelfth Sunday
after Pentecost
Lection 24

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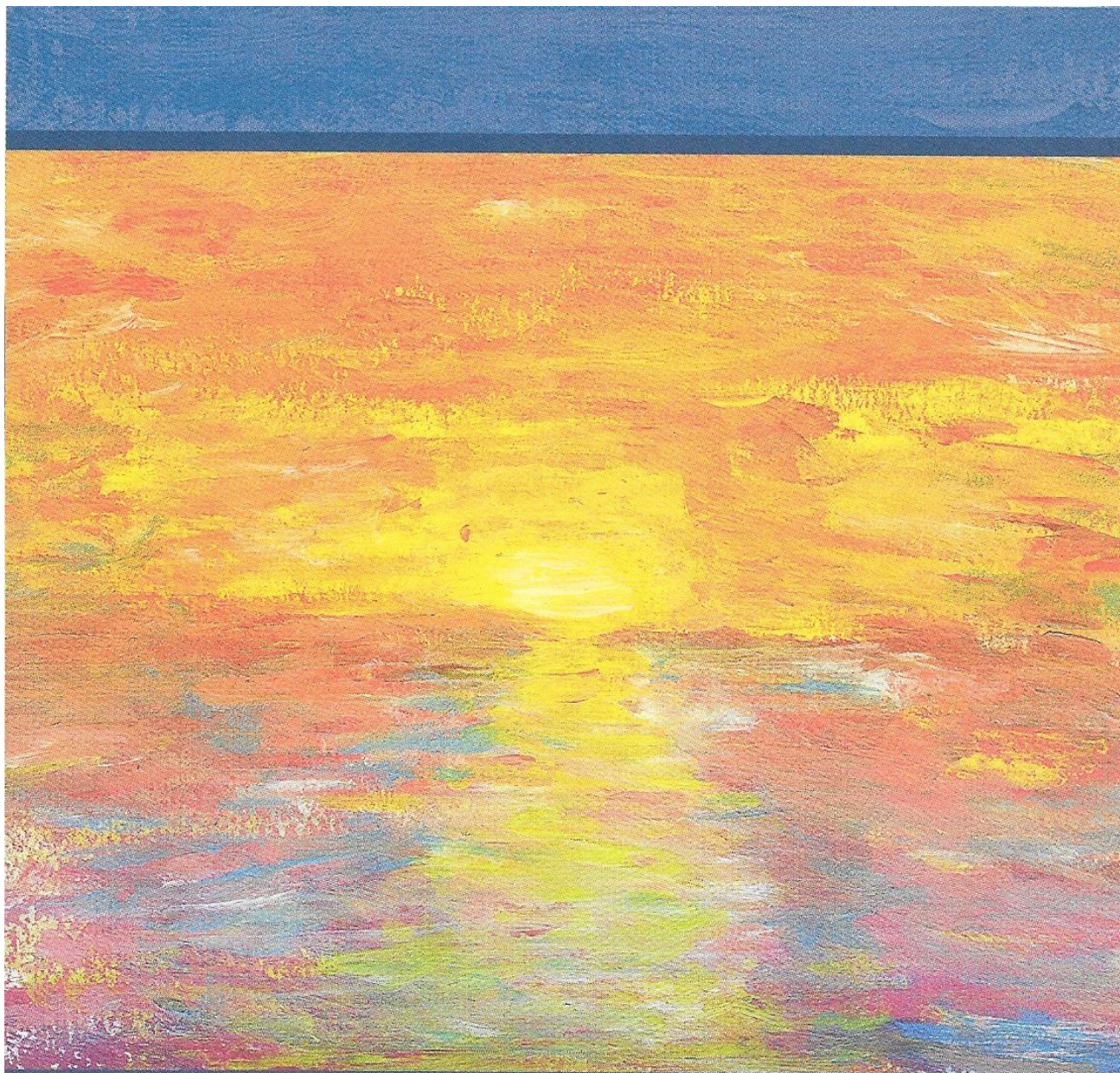
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There will be
more joy in heaven
over one sinner
who repents

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ LECTIO 24

RALLY SUNDAY ~ SERVICE OF THE WORD



Sundays after
Pentecost

9:00 AM SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2022

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.*

GATHERING

WE PREPARE... *Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God seeks and saves the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As the writer of 1 Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.*

PRELUDE/ PARISH NOTICES/ RINGING OF THE BELL

GATHERING SONG

SUNDAY SCHOOL



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.**

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, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING OF CHRISTIKON

OUR CAMPERS

WORD

FIRST READING

Exodus 32: 7-14

The first reading is in Exodus chapter 32, verses 7-14.

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

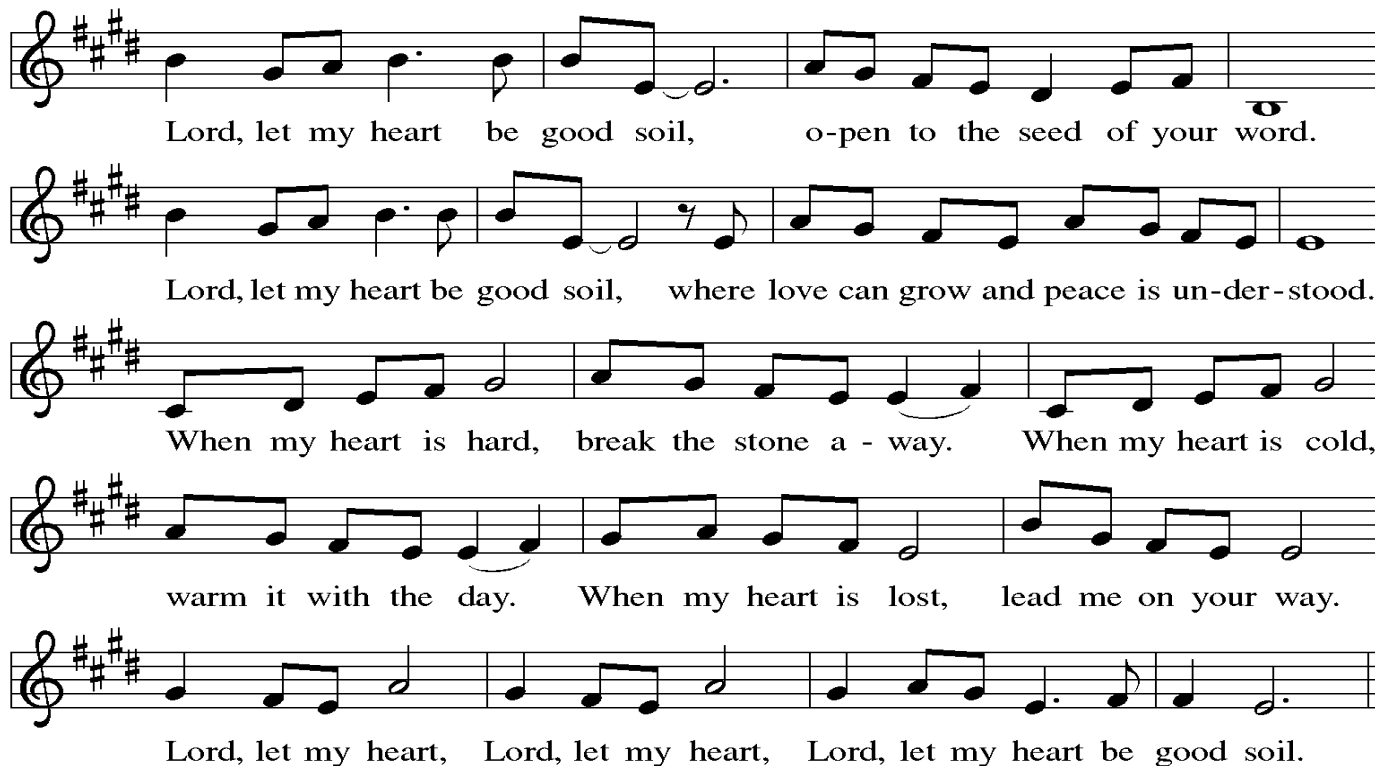
SECOND READING

1 Timothy 1:12-17

The second reading is in 1 Timothy chapter 1, verses 12-17.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners — of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 15th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."



Luke 15:10

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

MESSAGE

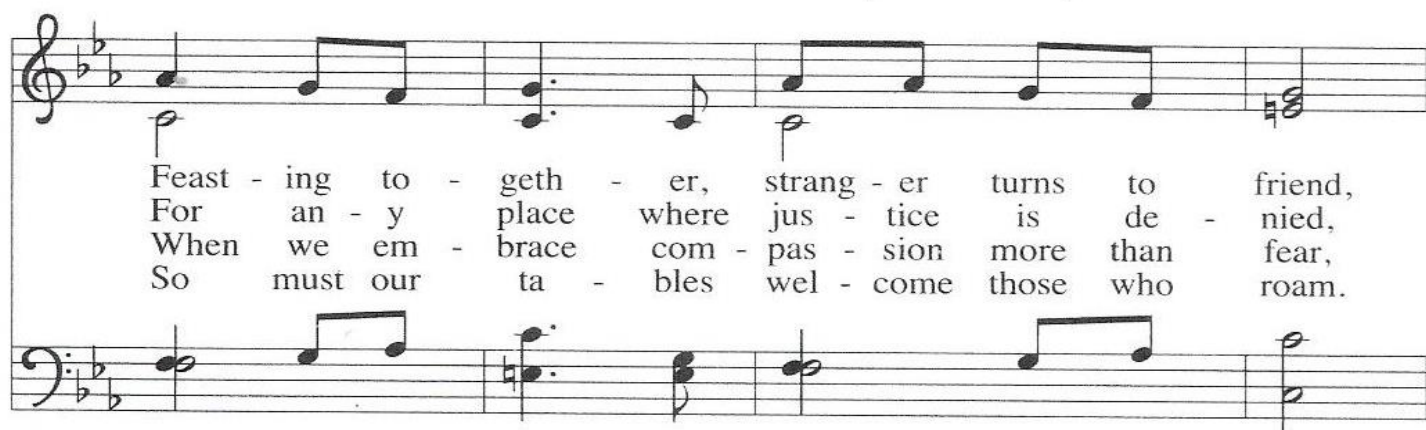
Pastor Tim Mason



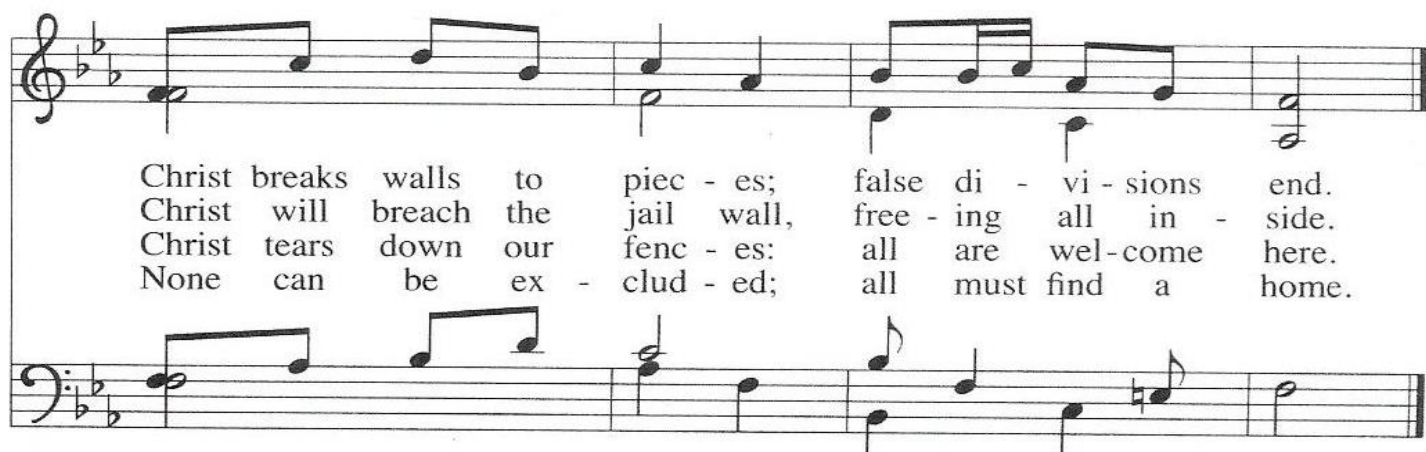
1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,
 2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;
 3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.
 4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.
 where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.
 Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.
 Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,
 For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,
 When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,
 So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.
 Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.
 Christ tears down our fenc - es; all are wel - come here.
 None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

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

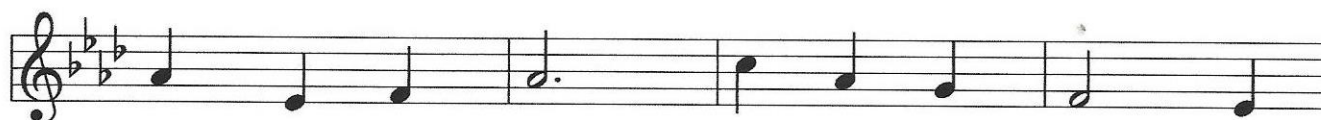
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. Amen.

**NOW MAY OUR
LORD JESUS CHRIST
HIMSELF, AND GOD OUR FATHER,
WHO LOVED US AND GAVE US
ETERNAL COMFORT AND GOOD HOPE
THROUGH GRACE,
COMFORT YOUR HEARTS
AND ESTABLISH THEM
IN EVERY GOOD WORK AND WORD.**

2 T H E S S A L O N I A N S 2 : 1 6 - 1 7

SENDING SONG

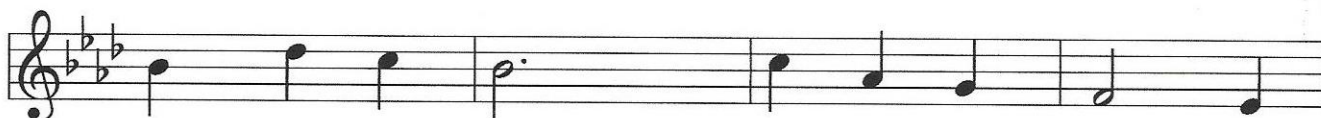
God's Work Our Hands



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
 2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
 3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
 4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
 fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
 prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
 seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
 walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
 pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
 Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
 run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
 claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
 gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
 Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
 Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
 Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your Gos - pel.

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	
Acolyte	Nora Coulson	
Reader	Sandy Beito	
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen	
Greeters	Jeff & Lynette Carlson	
Ushers	Doug Domeier, Keith Lendt	
Altar Guild	Sarah Lendt & Beth Klein	



WE EXPRESS OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to Sandy Brinkman and all of the family members and friends of **Dean Brinkman**, who passed away on Monday, September 5th. May God bless and keep them in His perfect peace.

Our Quilting group has been very busy! This year OraDell Fisher set the goal of 500 school bags, which are sewn, filled, and shipped to those in need. For God's Work Our Hands we will be filling the last of this year's 500 bags with our Sunday School kids and all who would like to help. Great thanks to OraDell and Alda Rydin who made those bags and to Cindy Anderson and her quilting crew for all the great mission work they accomplish every year. Trinity Women, who are WELCA, and with Thrivent cards and fundraising make a difference in our world. God's Work Our Hands is a year round project for this group. Thank You.



Darlene Brummund, WELCA President

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND HELPERS NEEDED!
(EVEN IF IT'S 1 OR 2 SUNDAYS A MONTH)
IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT ME**

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God's work. Our hands.

**Rally Day and "God's Work Our Hands" is TODAY!
Please help with the project of your choice following Worship!**

We need help for your favorite projects!

**Board of Education~ Pack School Kits
for Missions ~ Downstairs
Welca~ Supply and Pack School Kits for
Missions~ Downstairs
Fellowship~ Sundae's on Sunday!
Today in the basement kitchen
Stewardship~ Tie Fleece Blankets for
Missions~ Downstairs
Church Properties~ Plant and Campus
Cleanup~ On Campus today
Lay Ministry~ Pack Blizzard Bags~
Beido's Garage
Social Ministries~ Pack Food Backpacks
for Sleepy Eye kids at Mark Thomas**

**Youth~ Cards for residents of the Care
Center~ Youth Room Upstairs
Evangelism~ Help with Trinity's Parade
on August 20th ~ Plant Sale! Thank You!**

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

**Together WE can all make a
difference!
Please Help at any of these
projects.**



Plant Sale

Thank you to all who helped with our Plant Sale this week!
Whether you donated, bought or helped sell, you are appreciated!
Thanks!

Cindy Steffl, Evangelism Board









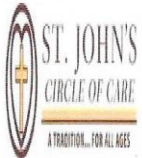



With the delicious meals available in the freezer located in room 109 just off the dining room we now need your help. The meals are to be given to people who are experiencing some sort of life changing event, be it a new baby, illness, a death in the family, or anyone you think would benefit from a tasty,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

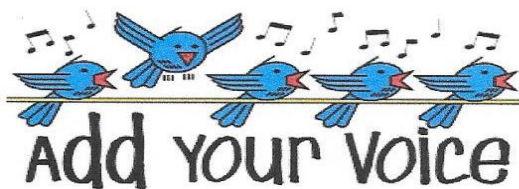
Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!



*Meals
that Matter*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 9 am-Holy Communion 10:10 am Fellowship Hour	5 	6 7 am Men's Bible Study 3 pm Maples Bible Study 6:30 pm AA 7 pm Parish Planning 	7 9 am-Women's Bible Study 1 pm Staff Meeting 5 pm Trinity Choir  Add your voice	8 10 am Countryside Bible Study 1-4 pm Plant Sale In parking lot  Evangelism	9 8-5 pm Plant Sale In parking lot 	10 8-Noon Plant Sale In parking lot 
11 9 am- Worship 	12 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 1 pm Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Al anon	13 7 am Men's Bible Study 2 pm Ross Park Bible Study 3 pm Prokinship for Kids 6:30 pm AA	14 9 am-Women's Bible Study 4 pm Worship Team 5 pm Trinity Choir 6 pm Bell Choir 6 pm Confirmation Parents Meeting & Martin Luther Movie 	15 9 am Watonwan Pastors Meeting	16	17 8:30 am St. John's Walk for Alzhemers 
18 9 am- Holy Communion-Installation of Sunday School Staff 10:10 am Education Hour 11:30 Worship at Sundown	19 8 am Quilting & Bandage Making 1 pm Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Al anon 6:30 pm Social Ministries	20 7 am Men's Bible Study 3 pm Maples Bible Study 6 pm Lay Ministry. 6:30 pm AA 7:30 Stewardship Tidings Articles Due	21 9 am-Women's Bible Study 4 pm Worship Team 5 pm Trinity Choir 6 pm Bell Choir 6:30 pm Confirmation	22 10 am Countryside Bible Study	23	24
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Trinity Choir is Wednesdays at 5 P.M. beginning September 7th

All are welcome to practice in celebration of the music to come!

Call Mary at 507 227-9880 with any questions.

Bell Choir is Wednesdays at 6 P.M. beginning September 14th

All are welcome to ring in the music to come!

Call Rose at 507 276-0013 with any questions.



September 11th, 2022

God pursues us with love and mercy.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday.

We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passages.

Sunday	Luke 15:1-10	The lost sheep and the lost coin
Monday	Psalms 51:1-10	A prayer for forgiveness
Tuesday	Judges 10:6-16	The Israelites repent
Wednesday	John 10:10-18	Jesus, the good shepherd
Thursday	Romans 5:1-11	Christ died for sinners
Friday	2 Peter 3:8-13	That all may come to repentance
Saturday	Psalms 85	Restore us again, O God
Sunday	Luke 16:1-13	Parable of the shrewd manager



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

**You are kind, God! Please have pity on me. You are always merciful!
Please wipe away my sins. Wash me clean from all of my sin and guilt.**

Psalms 51:1-2

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Create in us clean hearts, O God. Give us a new spirit that is faithful to you. Amen. (Psalms 51:10)

Mealtime Prayer:

In grace you seek us and with love you feed us. Lord, help us serve all those who need us. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God who forgives your sins and who pursues you with grace and mercy, grant you a new and right spirit. Amen. (Psalms 51:1 and 10)

CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your home or small group:

Share about a time when you lost something. What did you do?

Talk about a time when you were lost. How did it feel not knowing where to go?

Read Luke 15:1-10. How do people get "lost" or wander away from God? How does God pursue us when we are lost?

DEVOTIONS

In the parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin, neither the sheep nor the coin has the power to be found. A woman and a shepherd actively search out that which is lost. Repentance is often understood as our human act that says, "Next time I will try hard-er." In Luke the emphasis is on God who befriends "sinners and tax collectors," those who are lost (Luke 15:1-10). Biblical repentance acknowledges that we are lost and need a savior to find us. It says, "You are kind, God! Please have pity on me. You are always merciful! Please wipe away my sins" (Psalms 51:1). Reflect on ways you feel lost in your relationship to people and to God. For each thought say aloud, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me" (Psalms 51:10). End with the Lord's Prayer.

SERVICE

Take a large garbage bag and go for a neighborhood walk. Collect as many "lost" or discarded items as you can find.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Hide real or chocolate coins in your house and play a good old-fashioned game of "hide and seek." If you use real coins, spend what you find on a treat for the household. Talk about how God rejoices when people who are lost from him return.

Work together on completing a puzzle. As you do, talk about how each piece in the puzzle is needed and has a special place. And, how, in a similar way, each one of us is valuable to God and is sought out by God. Share about the special qualities you see in one another.

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Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotions



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:	66
Weekly Giving: (5846.00 Needed)	\$4060.29
September Giving: (\$23,360.00 Needed)	\$4060.29
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$157,740.53

Budget Contributions needed	\$210,461.40
2022 Approved Budget	\$308,000.00

We need everyone's help to make budget!

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 **Jerry, Beth, Harold, Sue, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Cindy, Emma, Ed, Carlos, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Julia Ann, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Ed, Kimora, Gene, 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, especially **Sandy Brinkman** and her family in the loss of her husband, **Dean Brinkman**... 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... hat 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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