

# Trinity Lutheran Church

September 25<sup>th</sup>,  
2022

**Sixteenth  
Sunday  
After  
Pentecost  
Lection 26**

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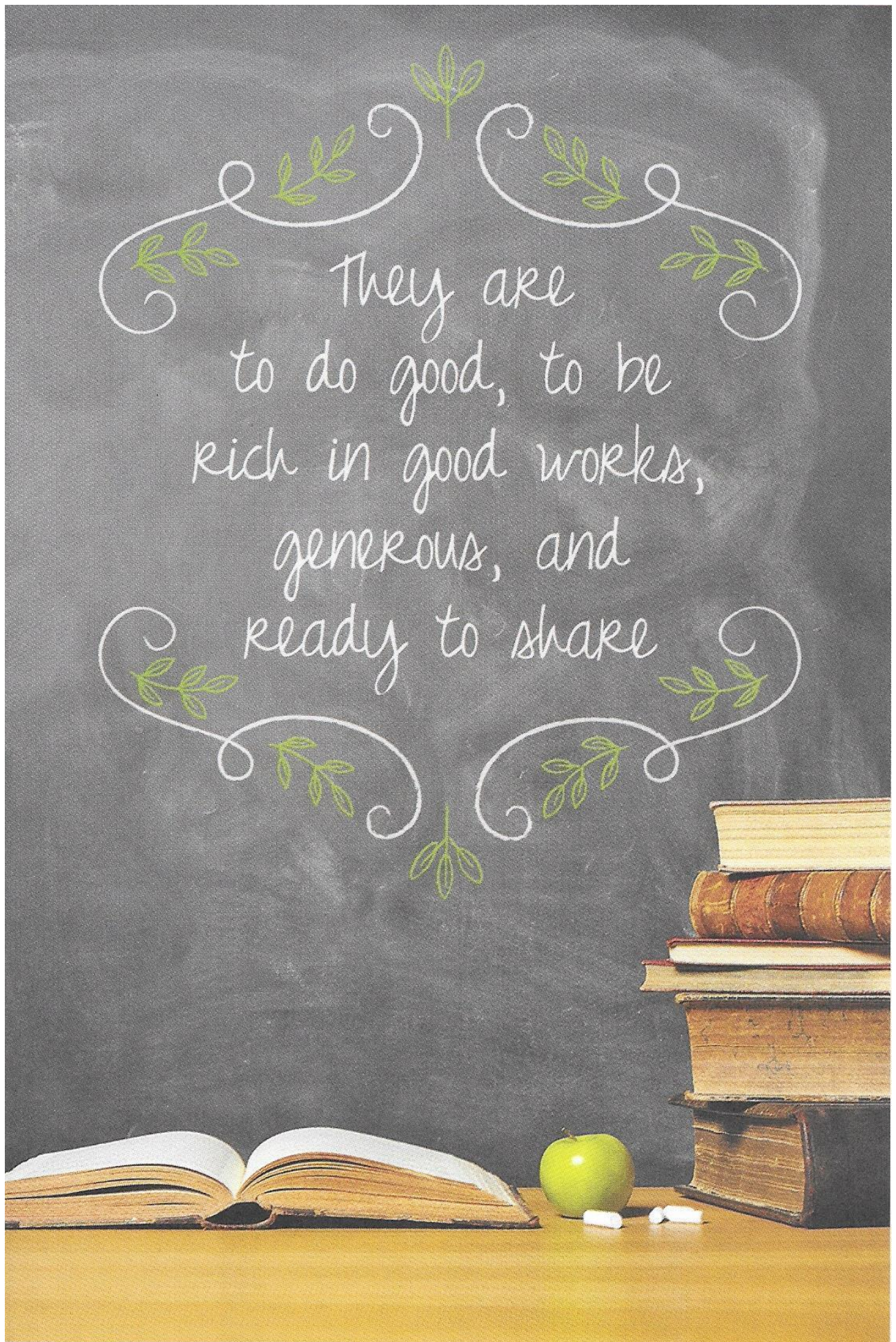
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# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ LECTION 26

## SERVICE OF THE WORD



Sundays after  
Pentecost

**9:00 AM SEPTEMBER 25TH, 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...** *Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those “at our gate,” visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.*

### PRELUDE/ PARISH NOTICES/ RINGING OF THE BELL

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of mercy and forgiveness,

**we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation.**

**We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you.**

**Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven ✝ and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God’s abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**





1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for  
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for  
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



*Refrain*  
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

## 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, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Children's  
Message



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# WORD

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## FIRST READING

Amos 6:1a & 4-7

The first reading is in Amos chapter 6, verses 1a and 4 - 7.

*Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria, Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.*

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

## SECOND READING

1 Timothy 6:6-19

The second reading is in 1 Timothy chapter 6, verses 6-19.

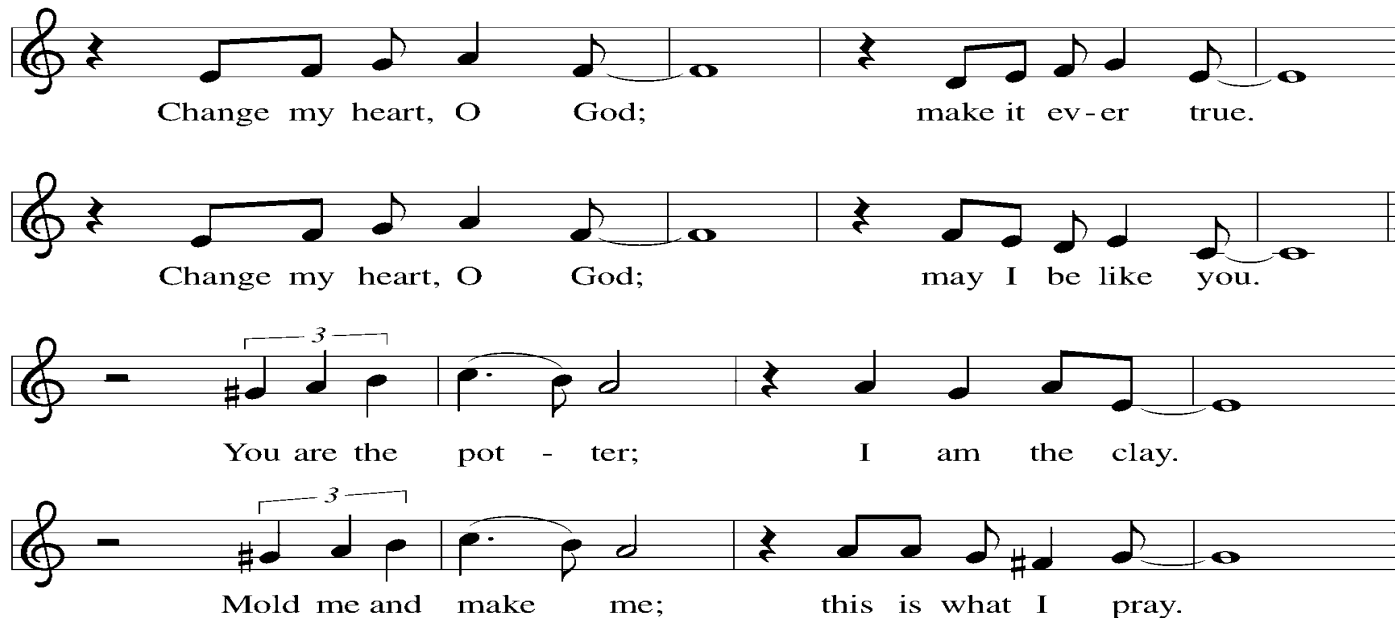
*Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.*

*But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time — he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.*

*As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.*

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





## GOSPEL

Luke 16:19-31

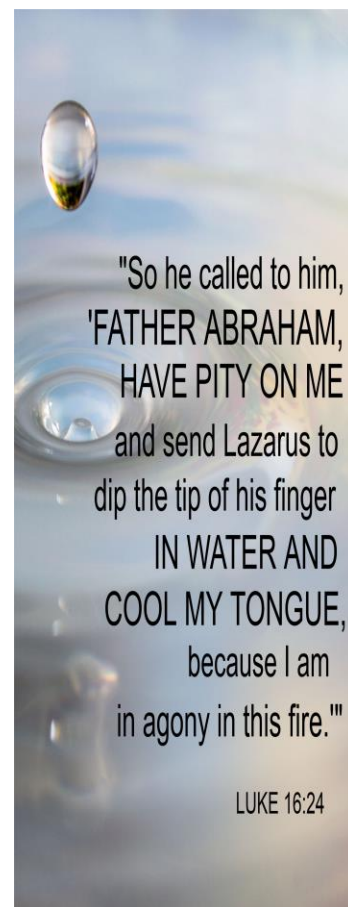
The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house — for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"*

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Mason





# SONG OF THE DAY

# BUILD A LONGER TABLE

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**

**WE ARE AN OFFERING**

**ELW #692**

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time. It features a variety of musical notations including eighth, quarter, and half notes, as well as rests and triplets. Chord symbols are placed above the staves to guide the accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with some words in italics. The score is divided into two systems, each containing four staves.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our  
lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our  
hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.  
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we  
give to you, we give to you. We lift our  
voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:  
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

*(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


### Take My Life

ELW #583

*Refrain/Estribillo*

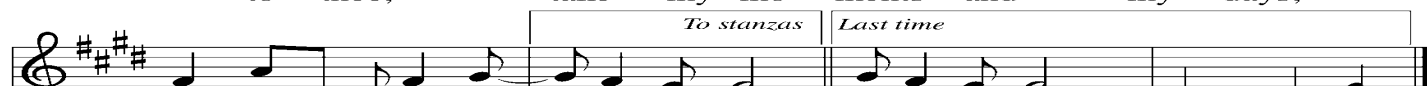


To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -  
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,

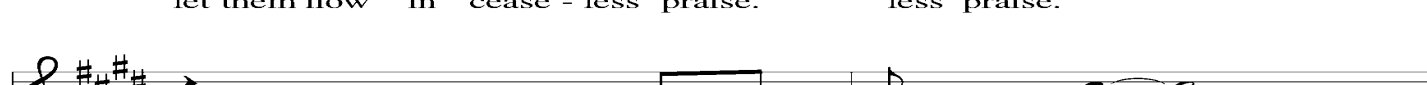


da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón  
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

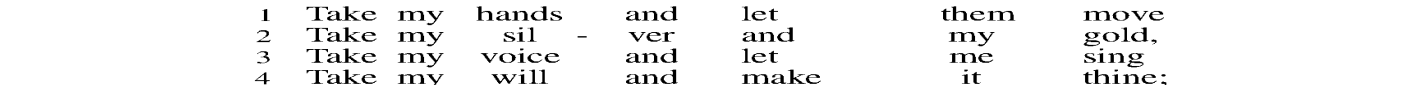
*To stanzas* *Last time*



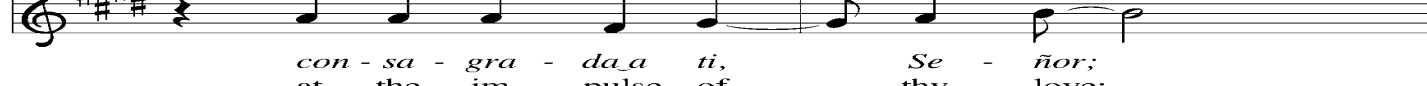
y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.  
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té  
1 Take my hands and let them move  
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
3 Take my voice and let me sing  
4 Take my will and make it thine;




con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;  
at the im - pulse of thy love;  
not a mite would I with - hold;  
al - ways, on - ly for my King;  
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -  
take my feet and let them be swift and  
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry  
take my lips and let them be filled with  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

*Refrain/Estribillo*



pul - so de tu a - mor.  
beau - ti - ful for thee.  
pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
mes - sag - es from thee.  
be thy roy - al throne.



## DISMISSAL

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

### **Our thanks to all who serve the Body of Christ**

<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>9:00 Worship</b>
<b>Accompanist</b>	Mary Mulry	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Anna Johnson	
<b>Reader</b>	Doug Domeier	
<b>Sound Techs</b>	Russ Sorensen	
<b>Greeters</b>	Jeff & Lynette Carlson	
<b>Ushers</b>	Doug Domeier & Keith Lendt	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sarah Lendt & Beth Klein	

Adult Forum returns! Join us this Sunday. Just grab your coffee and join us in the Friendship Room after worship.

We will be looking at “The Difficult Words of Jesus,” a six-week study of some of the more perplexing teachings of Jesus gives us. Amy-Jill Levine will be joining us as our guide (via the magic of DVD.) Mark Beito will lead the discussion. No one will be called on. Join us!



Sleepy Eye Medical Center has the Fall influenza clinic dates available. SEMC is hosting public clinics at the Sleepy Eye Event Center. The schedule is in the narthex.

SEMC also has the Bivalent COVID booster available. This vaccination will not be available at the Sleepy Eye Event Center. You have call SEMC at 794-3691 to schedule an appointment.

Forms for both vaccines are available at the church in the narthex or on the SEMC website.

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!*



***Remember...Our Food Shelf Box is in the back of the Sanctuary.***



Trinity has Bingo at St John's Home on Friday, Sept 30, 2:00. Please contact Judy Weedman if you can help. Two people are needed. Thanks 507 227-1659



***To the parents of our young children, may we suggest...***

*Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!*

*Grab an activity bag at the back of the sanctuary which has some quiet toys and books in them.*

*Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.*

*Quietly explain the parts of the worship service and actions of the pastor and worship leaders, choir, ushers and readers.*

*Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.*

*If you have to leave the sanctuary with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. There is a Friendship room across from the sanctuary doors with a few toys and a rocking chair to settle them. Worship is shown on a big screen TV for you to participate in worship while the children settle. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."*

*Remember that the way we welcome children in worship directly affects the way they respond to the Church and a life of faith, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.*

***To the members of our congregation:***

*The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that the Church of Jesus Christ is a multi-generational body of Christ followers. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents and caregivers.*



September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

***Trust in eternal riches, not in human wealth.***

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

Sunday	Luke 16:19-31	Poor Lazarus and the rich man
Monday	1 Timothy 6:6-19	The good fight of faith
Tuesday	Proverbs 22:1-9, 16	The rich versus the poor
Wednesday	Proverbs 29:11-28	Helpers of the poor lack nothing
Thursday	Revelation 3:14-22	Being rich or poor in God
Friday	Philippians 4:10-13	The secret of being content
Saturday	Psalm 49	Riches do not endure
Sunday	Luke 17:5-10	Faith the size of a mustard seed



*Sundays after  
Pentecost*

### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

**And religion does make your life rich, by making you content with what you have. We didn't bring anything into this world, and we won't take anything with us when we leave. So we should be satisfied just to have food and clothes.**

**1 Timothy 6:6-8**

#### **SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:**

##### **A Prayer for the Week:**

Lord Jesus, we are truly rich because of you. Help us to be generous to others. Amen. (1 Timothy 6:17-18)

##### **Mealtime Prayer:**

God, we're so blessed with what you've sent. May we be thankful and content. Amen.

##### **A Blessing to Give:**

May God keep you from wandering away. May God make you faithful, loving, dependable, and gentle. Amen. (1 Timothy 6:10-11)

### **CARING CONVERSATION**

Discuss in your home or small group:

Talk about a time when you were in need and someone helped you.

Read the parable of the rich man and Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31.

Who do you identify with in the story: the rich man, Lazarus, Abraham, or the rich man's brothers? Why?

What are the needs of people that you are aware of? How does the church make a difference for them?

### **DEVOTIONS**

Psalm 146 gives praise to God for those who hope in God and put their trust in God. Read Psalm 146 three times slowly. Each time, focus on the words that get your attention. Reflect on thoughts and questions that emerge for you. Take a moment of silence to hear God's word. What might God want to say to you in this psalm? Conclude by praying the words of Psalm 146.

### **SERVICE**

1 Timothy 6:18 urges Christians to "be rich in good deeds and be generous and willing to share." Take a household shopping trip to buy canned goods and non-perishable food items to give away to a food pantry or a home in need.

### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

The change of seasons is a good time to go through our wardrobes and identify clothes that we rarely wear or no longer require. Make time this week to sort through your clothes and toys and set aside these items to give away to a local charity or to a home that would appreciate them. Consider making this a seasonal practice.

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***Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotion***



## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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:	105
Weekly Giving: (5846.00 Needed)	\$12,719.29
September Giving: (\$23,360.00 Needed)	\$21,255.38
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$174,935.62
Budget Contributions needed	\$222,141.70
2022 Approved Budget	\$308,000.00



*Thrivent members are reminded to direct their Choice Dollars each year any time after April 1<sup>st</sup> 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 **Alice Mae, Linda, Loretta, 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, Milo, 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**... 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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