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June 9, 2024

**3 Sunday of
PENTECOST
Lection 10**

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"Whoever does **God's**
will

is my brother and sister and mother."

Mark 3:35

3RD WEEK AFTER PENTECOST~ LECTON 10
SERVICE OF THE WORD
God's Radical Love, Lived Our Every Day

9:00 A.M. June 9th, 2024



THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL *to this house of worship! As Jesus welcomed the crowds to listen to him teach, so the Spirit of God welcomes us to listen to God's teachings. May our gathering around God's Word of grace bless one and all alike!*

WORSHIP AIDS

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. Please ask the usher for a copy.

ACTIVITY BAGS for young children are on a stand at the rear of church; please return after services. Thanks.

I WISH CARDS are in your pews; please let us know your ideas to improve our Trinity home.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE: *A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are sisters and brothers of the Lord. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.*

PRELUDE/RINGING OF THE BELL
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

God, our provider,

help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✚ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

1 I'm so glad I'm so glad
 2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me. Sa - tan had me bound,
 3 When I was in trou - ble, When I was in trou - ble,

Je - sus lift - ed me. I'm so glad Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me,
 When I was in trou - ble,

sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

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.**

PSALM 30

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.

I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 3:8-15

The First Reading is in Genesis chapter 3, verses 8-15. Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.

They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."



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

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:13- 5:1

The Second Reading is in 2 Corinthians chapter 4, verses 13-Chapter 5 verse 1. Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture — "I believed, and so I spoke" — we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Mark 3:20-35

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 3rd chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**"

And the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" — for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."



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

MESSAGE

Pastor Grant Fischer

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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 INTERCESSION: respond after *Lord, in your mercy*: **“Hear our prayer.”**

SHARING THE PEACE

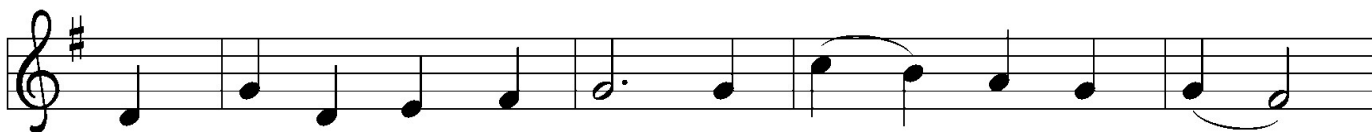
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

We Give Thee But Thine Own

ELW 686



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

(THE USHERS BRING UP THE OFFERING)

OFFERING PRAYER

Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us pray:

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

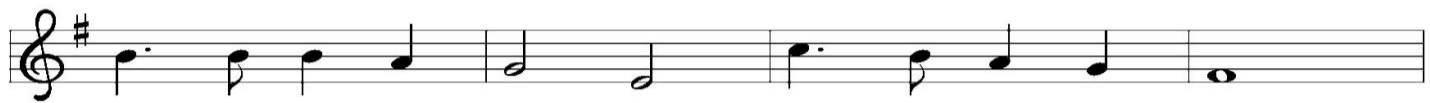
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

On Our Way Rejoicing

ELW #537



1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;



Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;



Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,



who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

Refrain



On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,



hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

DISMISSAL

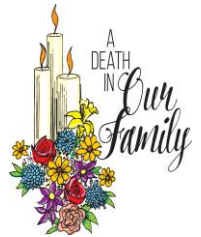
Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



Our thanks to all who serve the Body of Christ

SUNDAY	9:00 Worship	
Accompanist	Mary Mulry	
Acolyte	Levi Johnson	
Reader	Dave Vosbeck	
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen	
Greeters	Isaac Johnson	
Ushers	Brian Polesky and Dave Vosbeck	
Altar Guild	Terry Newgord and Judy Johnson	

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE IN LOVING MEMORY OF SANDY ANDERSON. WE EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHIES to Bob and Lori Helget, Diane & Kevin Hardin in the loss of Lori & Diane's mother and Mike & Mindy Hardin, Jennifer & Andy Fulmer, Jill & Chris Krenz and Matt Hardin in the loss of their grandmother, along with the family and friends of Sandra Anderson, who passed away on Thursday, May 23rd and was laid to rest Friday, May 31st with services here at Trinity. May God bless and keep them in His perfect peace.



TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY,

You are invited to an open house at the Sleepy Eye Event Center honoring Jerry and Linda Schueler on their 60th Wedding Anniversary will be held on June 16th from 1-4:00 pm. No gifts please.

Summer Coffee Fellowship started in June. We thank Michal and Pat Lowther for providing treats today. There is a signup sheet by the ramp door for your convenience. Coffee will always be available even if there is an open Sunday. Thank you for serving!



MEALS THAT MATTER

Remember! Prepared frozen meals are in the freezer for you to deliver to a friend or neighbor who have had a life changing event- illness, birth of a baby, death in the family, etc... *Be the hands of Jesus!*

The 2024 St John's Lutheran Home Auxiliary membership drive is underway! A box with our envelopes is in the Narthex. Please consider a \$5 donation to the Auxiliary. Place envelope in the offering plate. We help with bingo, birthday parties and fund raisers which support the residents and staff. We are proud of the facility and Trinity is church member of St John's Home. Thank you for caring and for your support!



TRINITY LUTHERAN
PRESENTS

NIGHT



SWIM

JUNE 25TH

8:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

Sleepy Eye Aquatic Center

**OPEN TO ALL TRINITY
LUTHERAN YOUTH**

**FREE ADMISSION FOR YOUTH. LET
THEM KNOW AT THE DOOR YOU'RE
WITH TRINITY**

JUNE 9, 2024

The kingdom of God grows.

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	Mark 4:26-34	Two parables of seeds
Monday	Ezekiel 31:1-14	God cuts down tall, proud trees
Tuesday	Hosea 14:1-7	Israel will be a fragrant cedar
Wednesday	Mark 4:1-20	The parable of the sower
Thursday	Genesis 3:14-24	Deprived of the tree of life
Friday	Revelation 21:22 - 22:5	Given the tree of life
Saturday	Psalms 52	Like an olive tree in God's house
Sunday	Mark 4:35-41	Jesus calms the sea



*Sundays after
Pentecost*

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! 2 Corinthians 5:17

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord God, thank you for all your blessings to us. Use our lives and our home to give shelter and care to others. Amen. (Mark 4:32)

Mealtime Prayer:

God has planted, God has fed. Thanks be to God for daily bread. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God help you to grow as a seed he has planted. May he watch over you and do many good things through you. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your household or small group:

- What is one way you have grown over the past year? What has helped you to grow?
- Jesus talked about the kingdom of God growing from a tiny seed into a large plant (Mark 4:30-32). What do you think he meant?
- In what ways would you like to grow more in the coming year?

DEVOTIONS

Collect some green paper and cut it into leaf shapes. Also set up a leafless branch or a stick in a pot or vase as a centerpiece for your home altar area or meal table. During your home devotion times this week, share ways in which you have seen God the King at work in the world around you. For each sign of God's kingdom activity, attach a paper leaf to the branch or stick. Praise and thank God for all his blessings.

SERVICE

Plan to surprise your neighbors with gifts of potted plants at Christmas time. Work together to purchase plants or seedlings, soil and pots. Talk to an expert gardener about what kinds of plants will grow best in your climate. Take turns caring for the plants so that they grow strong and healthy over the coming months.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

As a household activity, visit a plant nursery, botanical garden or conservatory. Talk about the differences you see between the plants on display and what is needed to help them grow.

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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. *Please pick up your statements and envelopes in your mailbox. Thank You!*

Last week at Trinity

Weekly Worship Attendance:	102
Bible Studies Attendance:	11+6 = 17
Weekly Giving:	\$4018.83
June Giving	\$4018.83
Amount given this year	\$105,794.95
Amount needed to meet Budget	\$126,060.00
2024 Budget	\$298,000.00

This Week's Prayer Concerns

Pray for Trinity...that the Holy Spirit would keep our Trinity family united as we continue in worship and in helping others as we are able ...

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 **Cindy, Wade, Krista, Trisha, Jan, Sherry, Kali, Jane, Ramsey, Sarah, Lennon, Chris, Julie, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Milo, Ed, Carlo, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, 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 especially the family and friends of **Sandra Anderson**....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 compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

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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