

Trinity Lutheran Church

**October 30,
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REFORMATION SUNDAY

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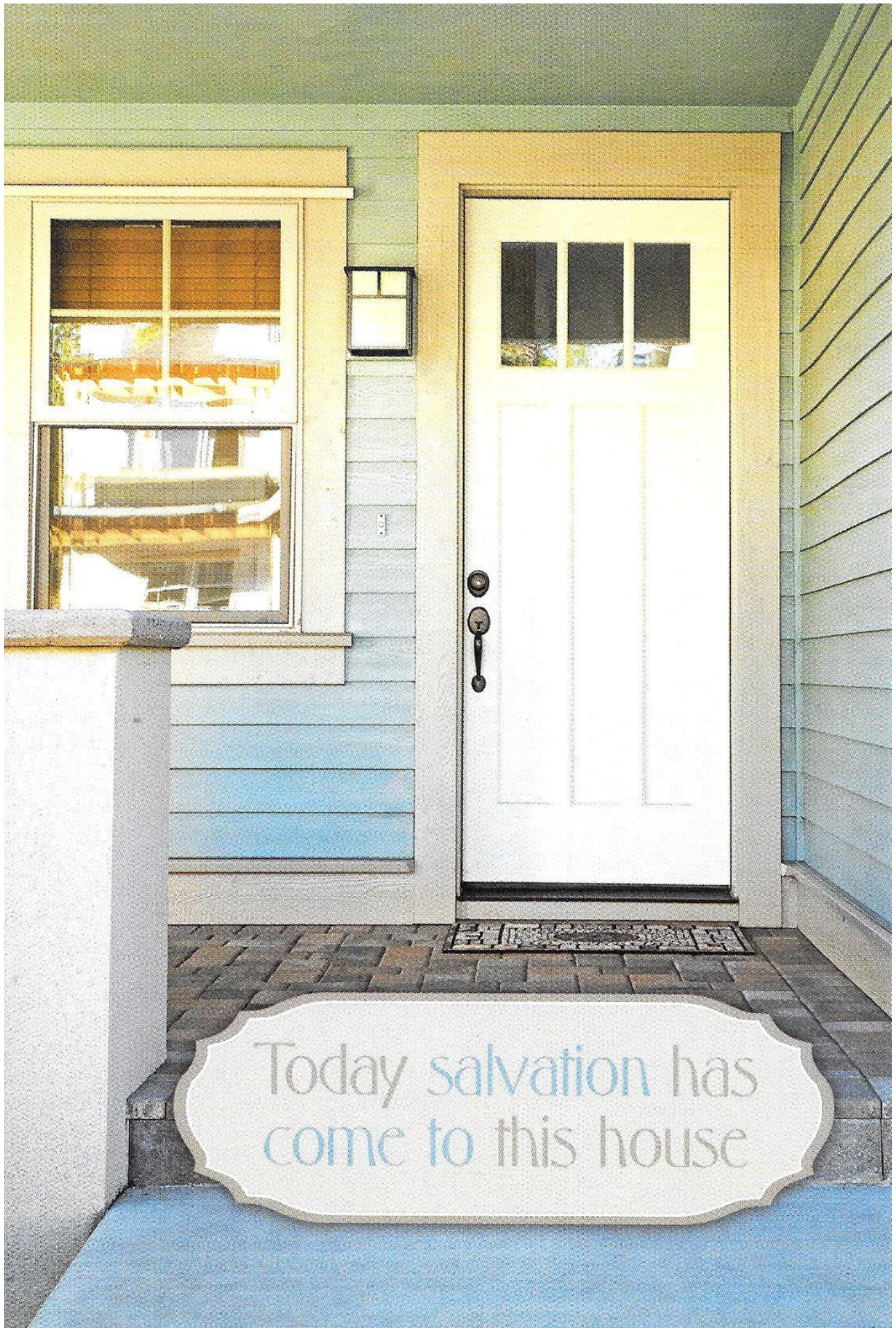
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REFORMATION ~ CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

HOLY COMMUNION

9:00 A.M. ~ Sunday, October 30, 2022



WITH JOY IN OUR HEARTS we gather in celebration of Christ's victory over sin and death as we approach God's throne of grace where mercy and life is given to all. Today, Reformation Sunday, eight young baptized members are making Affirmation of their Baptism in Christ. Therefore with gratitude, we honor these young saints as we recall the heritage we share in those who led the Church's Reformation over 500 years ago. It is a reformation that continues whenever we gather in the renewal and affirmation of our Baptism in Christ.

Further, we proclaim all who believe in Christ's real presence are prepared and called to receive Holy Communion. Children who have yet to be instructed in Communion are invited to come forward to receive a personal blessing.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE: *On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the Good News—God's gift of grace that makes us free! Though we give thanks for the events of the sixteenth-century Reformation that brought renewal to the church of that time, we also pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are united with Christ as his body in the world. Today, eight young members are being called to make Affirmation of their Baptism in Christ and receive Confirmation from the church. As parents, sponsors, mentors, relatives, teachers and friends, we surround them with our love and prayers as we offer them our blessing, encouragement and support now and in the days that follow.*

PRELUDE

NORA COULSON



THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**



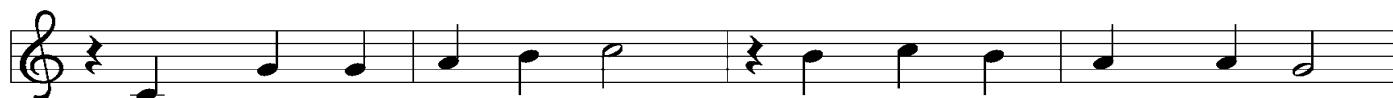
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



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!

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

Let us pray ...

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING~PAIGE HAALA

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The first reading is in Jeremiah chapter 31, verses 31-34.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.



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

PSALM 46~CALEB SUESS

*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;
Though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.
The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;
Behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.
Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.*



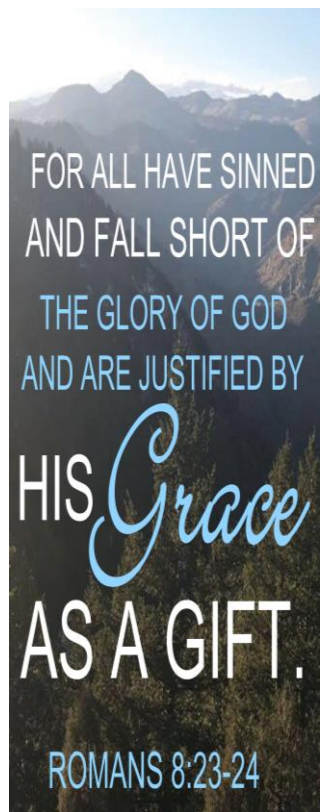
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The second reading is in Romans chapter 3, verses 19-28.

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.



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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THY WORD

Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Fine

Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

1. When I feel a-fraid, and I think I've lost my way, still You're there right be -
 2. I will not for-get Your love for me, and yet my heart for-ev-er is

-side me. Noth-ing will I fear as long as You are near.
 wan-der-ing. Je-sus, be my guide and hold me to Your side;

D.C. al Fine

Please be near me to the end.
 I will love You to the end.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

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

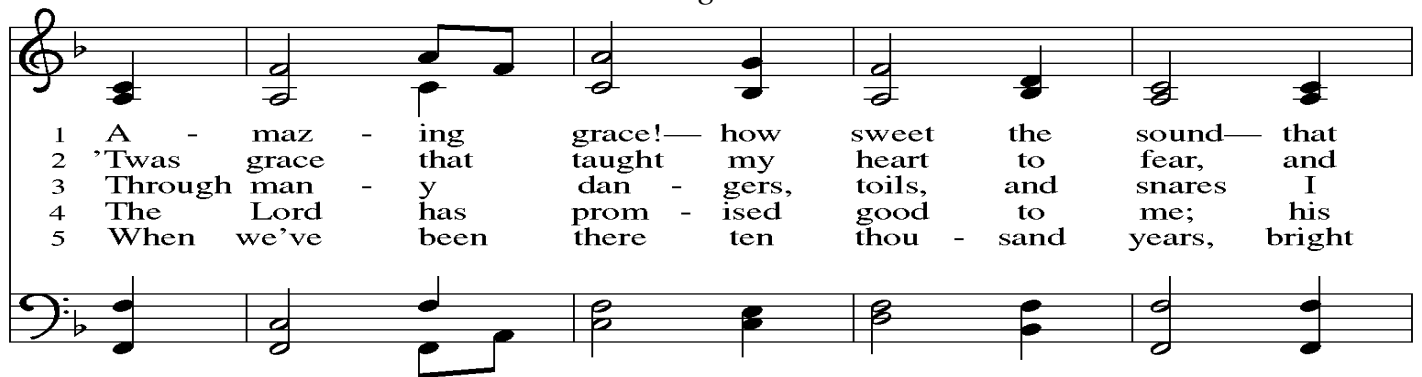
SERMON

Pastor Tim Mason


SONG OF THE DAY

Amazing Grace

ELW # 779



1 A - maz - ing grace! — how sweet the sound — that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

(Confirmands come forward to the rail)

P: These persons have been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public affirmation of their Baptism:

***Nora Christine Coulson, Paige Elizabeth Haala, Anna Mae Johnson,
Jacob Dale Ladd, Kade John Nachreiner, Cody Steven Schultz,
And Caleb Dustin Suess***

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for Nora, Paige, Anna, Jacob, Kade, Cody and Caleb, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in this community of faith. Uphold them in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.
Amen.

P: Dear friends, we rejoice that you now desire to make public profession of your faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission in the world. In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you members of his Church. Therefore, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

(Congregation stands to affirm our faith with the Confirmands)

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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**

THE PRAYERS

Let us pray for Nora, Paige, Anna, Jacob, Kade, Cody and Caleb and for all who are affirming their Baptism in Christ this day:

Let us pray for those who are affirming their Baptism, and for all the baptized everywhere:

That they may be redeemed from all evil and rescued from the way of sin and death:
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to your grace and truth: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

That they may be kept in the faith and communion of your holy Church: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

That they may be sent into the world in witness to your love: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

That they may be brought to the fullness of your peace and glory: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

(Congregation sits as the minister addresses the Confirmands.)

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear his Word and share in his supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmands: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

(Confirmands sit down)

Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit you have made these young men and women your own. You forgave them all their sins and brought them to newness of life. Continue to strengthen them with the Holy Spirit, and daily increase in them your gifts of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **Amen**

(Confirmands come forward on the first step in front of Pastor Tim as you are called.

Parents, Baptismal Sponsors and Mentors come forward up the middle to the Communion Rail.

After please exit to the side.)

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in (name) the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm (his/her) faith, guide (his/her) life, empower (him/her) in (his/her) serving, give (him/her) patience in suffering, and bring (him/her) to everlasting life. Amen.

PRESENTATION

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of our baptism in Christ. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** (You may be seated.)

MEAL



Trinity Choir

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

Come, eat, drink, and live the life God has for you.

Holy Communion



COMMUNION BLESSING

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

(The offering is brought forward by the ushers)

PRAYER OF THANKS

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

Baptized in Christ, receive God's 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*Lift High the Cross*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is always with you. **Thanks be to God.**

Our thanks to all who serve the Body of Christ

SUNDAY		9:00 am Worship	
Accompanist	Mary Mulry		
Special Music	Nora Coulson		
Acolyte	Samantha Price		
Readers	Paige Haala, Kade Nachreiner, Caleb Suess		
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen		
Communion Assistants	Jacob Ladd, Cody Schultz, Anna Johnson		
Greeters	Larry & Diane Evers		
Ushers	Dale & Diane Eckstein		
Altar Guild	Terry Newgord & Mary Renberg		



THE FOLLOWING YOUNG PEOPLE ARE AFFIRMING THEIR FAITH TODAY



Confirmation

Nora Christine Coulson 06/06/07
Parents: Casey & Julia Coulson
Baptized: 07/22/07
Sponsors: Kevin & Laura Jaunich
 Jay & Lisa Seiler
Mentor: Amanda Fuchs
Bible Verse: Joshua 1:9
 "Be strong and courageous; do not be
 frightened or dismayed, for the Lord
 your God is with you wherever you go."

Paige Elizabeth Haala 02/12/07
Parents: Cory & Kathryn Haala
Baptized: 03/25/07
Sponsors: Doug & Patricia Radloff
 Jerry & Linda Haala
Mentor: Kate Nelson
Bible Verse: Deuteronomy 31:6
 "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid
 or terrified because of them, for the Lord
 Your God goes with you; he will never leave
 your nor forsake."

Anna Mae Johnson 05/11/07
Parents: Tom & Judy Johnson
Baptized: 06/03/2007
Sponsors: Becky Schmidt,
 Bernie Schmidt, Lee H. Johnson
Mentor: Rose Wall
Bible Verse: Romans 11:23
 "And even those of Israel, if they do
 not persist in unbelief, will be grafted in,
 for God has the power to graft them
 in again."

Jacob Dale Ladd 05/05/06
Parents: Bobby Sue & Anthony
 McDermott
Baptized: 09/24/06
Sponsors: Kevin & Ashley Hoffman
 Nancy Wright
Mentor: Maren Sellner
Bible Verse: Revelation 1:8 &
 John 3:16
 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, says
 the Lord God, who is and who was and
 who is to come, the Almighty."
 "For God so loved the world that he gave
 his only Son, so that everyone who believes
 in him may not perish but may have
 eternal life."

Kade John Nachreiner 11/16/06
Parents: Jason & Nichole Nachreiner
Baptized: 01/07/07
Sponsors: Nicole & Nate Stevermer
 Nick & Liesi Gansch
Mentor: Karen Voge
Bible Verse: Matthew 22:14
 "For many are called, but few are chosen."

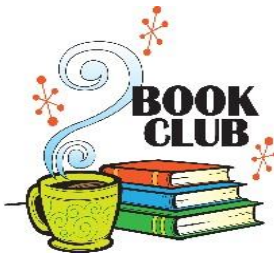
Cody Steven Schultz 08/14/06
Parents: Steve & Heather Schultz
Baptized: 10/15/06
Sponsors: Joseph Brandl
Mentor: Deb Brandl
Bible Verse: Luke 1:37
 "For nothing will be impossible with
 God."

Joshua Jeffrey Sellner 10/02/06
Parents: Jeff & Shawna Sellner
Baptized: 11/19/06
Sponsor: Ryan & Deanne Ibberson
Mentor: Sarah Lendt
Bible Verse: Psalm 42:1
 "As a deer longs for flowing streams,
 so my soul longs for you, O God."

Caleb Dustin Suess 06/21/06
Parents: Craig & Melissa Suess
Baptized: 09/10/06
Sponsor: Keith Braulick, Nick Braulick,
 Alica Heiderscheidt
Mentor: Beth Schneider
Bible Verse: Romans 8:18
 "I consider that the sufferings of this present
 time are not worth comparing with the
 glory about to be revealed to us."



Adult Forum resumes next week! Just grab your coffee and join us in the Friendship Room after worship. We will be looking at "The Difficult Words of Jesus," the last week of the 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!



The Trinity book club will be reading “Help, Thanks, Wow - The Three Essential Prayers” by Anne Lamott. The book offers three simple prayers to get you through tough times, everyday struggles and the hard work of everyday life. Please talk to Michal Lowther if you are interested so that she can order books. She can be reached at lowthome@mchsi.com or 507 276-6832. Thanks!

SEMC 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 the vaccine is available at the church in the narthex or on the SEMC website.



Boosters are also available at Randy’s Drug on Mondays. Please call ahead. Flu shots are available anytime.



Trinity would like to thank Trista Barka for her work here at church and welcome Pat Lowther to the position of custodian. We have been blessed with great people who have worked hard to keep God’s house ready for worship, fellowship, and our community in this congregation’s continuing mission to do God’s Work. Thank you.

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.





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.

SLEEPY EYE HIGH SCHOOL

presents:

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow

By John Heimbuch, Jon Ferguson

Adaptation of Washington Irving's classic short story

Friday, November 4 at 7:30pm

Saturday, November 5 at 7:30pm

Sunday, November 6 at 2:00pm

Sleepy Eye High School Auditorium

General Admission Tickets available at the door 1 hour prior to performance

Adults: \$9.00 ~ Students (7th-12th grade): \$7.00

Children (6th grade and younger): \$5.00



Presented with special arrangements from Samuel French, Inc. and Concord Theatricals

OCTOBER 30, 2022~ REFORMATION SUNDAY

We are saved by grace through faith. Through Jesus Christ, we are set free!

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	John 8:31-36	God's Word sets people free
Monday	Isaiah 55:6-11	God's Word achieves his purposes
Tuesday	Romans 1:8-17	The gospel is the power of God
Wednesday	Romans 15:1-7	The Scriptures give encouragement
Thursday	Colossians 3:5-17	Let the word of Christ dwell in you
Friday	Jeremiah 31:31-34	New covenant
Saturday	Psalm 46	God is our strength
Sunday	Luke 21:5-19	Suffering for Jesus' sake



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

**All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory.
But God treats us much better than we deserve, and because of
Christ Jesus, he freely accepts us and sets us free from our sins.**

Romans 3:23-24

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, thank you for the gift of faith, the power to know you and the truth that sets us free. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

O God, please bless the food before us, the people beside us, and the world around us. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord Jesus set you free. May his words live in your mind and your heart, now and always. Amen. (John 8:36; Jeremiah 31:33)

CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your home or small group:

Reformation means change. Talk about a time when you experienced change in your life.

Jesus says that the one who commits sin is a slave to sin. What enslaves you or keeps you from loving God and neighbor?

Jeremiah 31:31-34 promises a new covenant for God's people and a time when God will remember people's sins no more.

What is it like to have a God who not only forgives but also forgets?

DEVOTIONS

Reformation Day on October 31st recognizes the day in 1517 when Martin Luther posted 95 theses of belief on the doors of a church in Wittenberg, Germany. They were written to challenge the teachings and practices of the church of Luther's day.

Luther wrote "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," a hymn that is deeply associated with the Reformation. Based on Psalm 46, it celebrates faith and confidence in God, no matter what happens around us. Pray Psalm 46 and the words of "A Mighty Fortress." List the things that are going on in your life and the world around you that challenge your faith. Then, after each of those challenges, recite the words of Psalm 46:1, "God is our mighty fortress, always ready to help in times of trouble."

SERVICE

The Reformation lifts up the power and grace of God's word. Bring the Taking Faith Home sheet with you on a visit to someone who is homebound. Use portions of Taking Faith Home with that person and together experience the freeing power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

The beginning of the Reformation is often associated with Martin Luther's posting of 95 theses on the front door of the University Chapel in Wittenberg, Germany. Work together to write "we believe" statements on red streamers or strips of red paper. Attach these to the front door of your home in commemoration of Reformation Day.

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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 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@trinitysleepyeve.org or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at secretary@trinitysleepyeve.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.sleepyeveonline.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:	107
Weekly Giving: (5846.00 Needed)	\$10,411.92
October Giving: (\$29,230.00 Needed)	\$23,640.13
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$202,756.04
Budget Contributions needed	\$251,342.45
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.

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 Millie, Alice Mae, Linda, Loretta, Micah, Jerry, Beth, Harold, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Cindy, Emma, Milo, Ed, Carlos, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Julia Ann, 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 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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