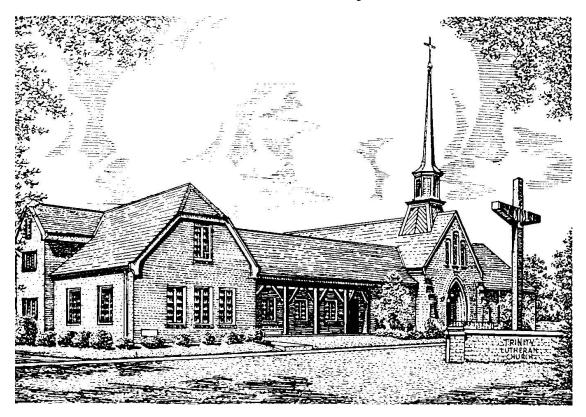
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## Good Morning! We welcome you today as a part of God's family here at Trinity! We hope that your experience here is meaningful and will be lasting.

Trinity is a liturgical Lutheran church using the Divine Service as written in the Lutheran Service Book. Today's Divine Service is printed for you in this bulletin. Today's service is being live streamed to YouTube and will be available later in the day on Trinity's Facebook page and Website. The receiving of communion will not be recorded to preserve the sanctity of the sacrament. During this time, the recording will be directed to the stained-glass window above the altar so communion hymns can still be shared. By entering the service, you consent to the video recording to be used for live streaming, inclusion on our web site and Facebook, and/or any other purpose by Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church.

**Visitors** – We are so happy you are joining us for Worship today. If this is your first visit at Trinity, please take a moment to complete the Visitor Card found in front of you in the pew. Then place the card in the Offering Plate as it is passed during the service.

**PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR** — Flo and Richard Ball, Suri Capehart, Janet Eddy, Chuck Edsall, Pastor Charles Froehlich, Pat Gregory, Terry Ingmire, Jan Knickelbein, Paul Lass, Julie and Sam Locklear, Mary Ann Medlin, Brenda Pendry, Bob and Carol Petrie, Sherrie Schirmer, Boyd Sylvester, Pastor Timothy Utton, Linda Vernick, Marc Vernick and Sarah Von Moll.

# The flowers gracing our altar today are given to the glory of God by Operation Barnabas in honor of Clergy Appreciation.

**HOLY COMMUNION** — In the Sacrament of Holy Communion our Lord Jesus comes to us with **His very body and blood** to eat and to drink **for the forgiveness of sins** and **to strengthen our union with Him and with one another**. He invites to His table those who trust His words, **repent of all their sin** and forgive and love one another as He forgives and loves us.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because **Holy Communion is a confession of the faith** which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the LCMS, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to **speak with the Pastor before communing**.

For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; Acts 2:38, 42; 1 Cor. 10:16, 11:17-34

Other Christians and children who have not completed instruction may come forward, cross their arms over their chest and receive a blessing. **During distribution, the Common Cup will be offered first followed by the Individual Cup.** For those who prefer it for any reason, the cups in **the center of the tray contain a grape juice option**. Please let the pastor know if you need a **Gluten Free wafer**.

(Before communing, we ask that first time guests and visitors please speak with the Pastor.)

#### **Today's Worship Participants**

Greeter Ushers Lector Communion Assistant Host/Hostess Gerry Harger Ted Smith and Scott Thieman Boyd Sylvester John Knickelbein Operation Barnabas

#### **Participants for Next Sunday**

Greeter Ushers Lector Communion Assistant Host/Hostess Doug Wolvin Errol Jennings and Anne Starke Cathy George Roger Medlin xxxxx

#### **Divine Service Setting Four**

The congregation sits quietly. Please be aware that some people use the time prior to the service for reflection and meditation in the sanctuary. You are encouraged to talk to God before the Service, let God talk to you in the Service, then talk to one another after the Service.

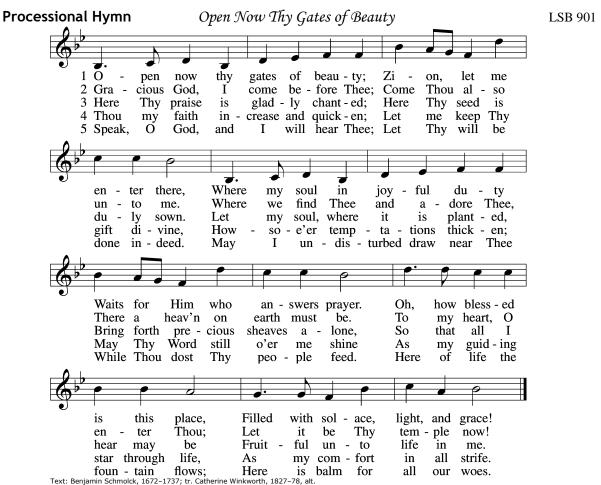
Organ Prelude

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Richard Proulx

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship** *Stand and face the Processional Cross* (rear of the Church)



Tune: Joachim Neander, 1650–80

Text and tune: Public domain

## Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- Who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## Service of the Word

#### Introit

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Clory be to the Father and to the Son

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### **Kyrie**



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

#### Gloria in Excelsis



In To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth; 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo-ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re-ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
- Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

<sup>1</sup>Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. <sup>2</sup>He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it: and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. <sup>3</sup>And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah. judge between me and my vineyard. <sup>4</sup>What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? <sup>5</sup>And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured: I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. <sup>6</sup>I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. <sup>7</sup>For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness,

**I** This is the Word of the Lord.

but behold, an outcry!

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Gradual

He will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle Philippians 3:4b–14

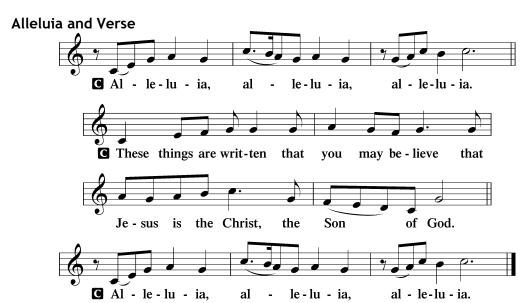
If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. <sup>7</sup>But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup>Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—

<sup>10</sup>that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel Matthew 21:33–46

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>33</sup>[Jesus said:] "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. <sup>34</sup>When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. <sup>35</sup>And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' <sup>39</sup>And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. <sup>40</sup>When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" <sup>41</sup>They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

<sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures:

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?

<sup>43</sup>Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. <sup>44</sup>And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

<sup>45</sup>When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup>And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

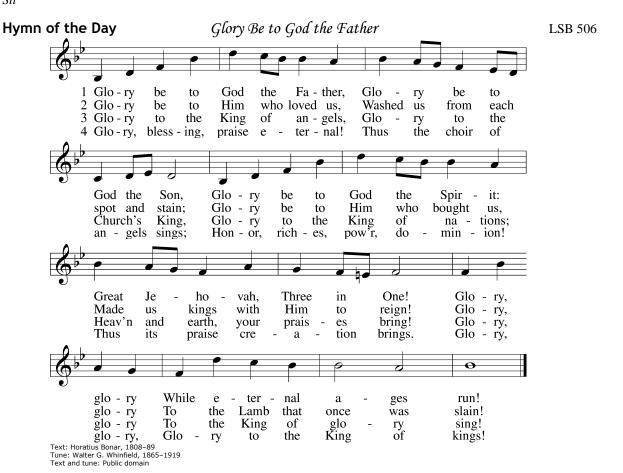
### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life 

→ everlasting. Amen.



#### Sermon

Offering Loose coins directly support LCMS families studying for the ministry through Coins for Christ.

#### Members, Returning Visitors and Active Guests -

Please take this time to sign-in the Welcome Book found at the end of your pew.

**Anthem** 

In Holy Conversation

setting, Richard Gieseke



#### Prayer of the Church

- P Lord, in your mercy...
- C ....hear our prayer.

## Service of the Sacrament

#### **Preface**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### Sanctus



#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Tru - lv

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

in the name of the Lord!

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

blest is He who comes

#### 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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

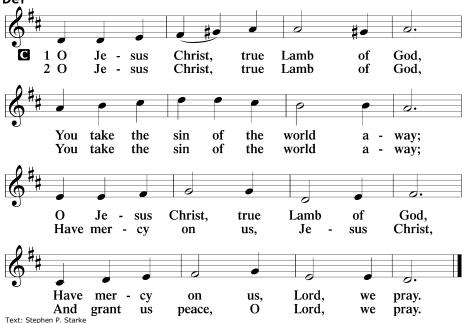
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.





Sit

Please respect the time of silence at the beginning of the Eucharist before the Distribution Hymns are begun. While this is time for some to commune it is also a time for introspection and helps quiet our imagination, our worries and our toils so as to join our hearts to the prayers and be fully attentive to whatever the Holy Spirit should inspire in us. This silence is an active, not a passive disposition. This form of interior silence does not impede, and indeed favors, full and active participation in those parts of the celebration where the community is united in acclamation and song, for each person is more fully aware of what he or she is doing.

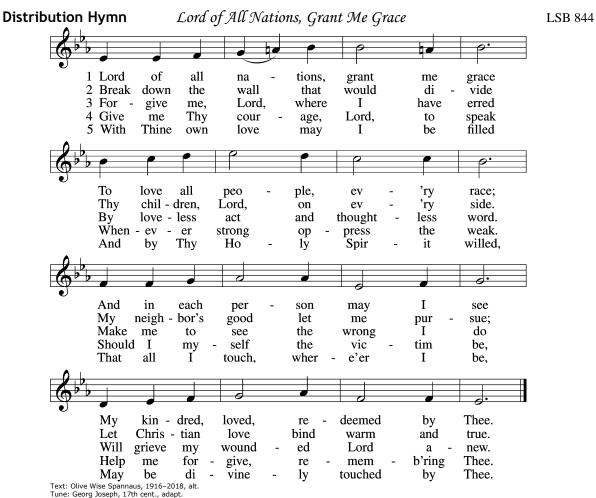
#### Distribution

The body and blood of Christ are distributed to those who come to receive.

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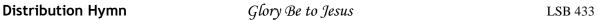
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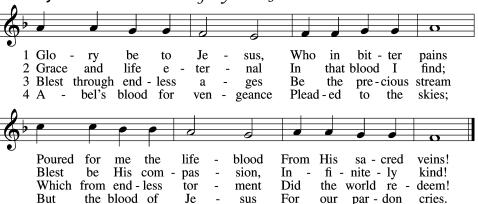
- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- Amen.



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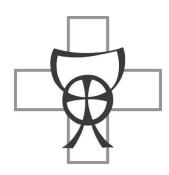
- 5 Oft as earth exulting
  Wafts its praise on high,
  Angel hosts rejoicing
  Make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices,
  Swell the mighty flood;
  Louder still and louder
  Praise the precious blood

Praise the precious blood!

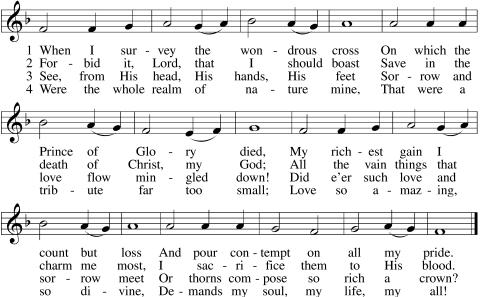
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#### **Nunc Dimittis**



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

- **P** Let us pray.
- We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

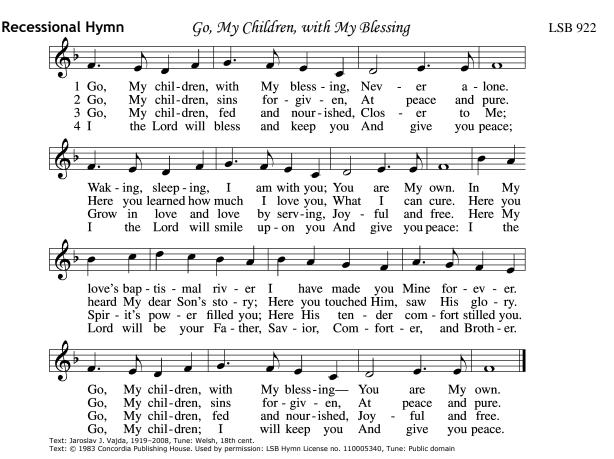
#### **Benedicamus**

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Benediction**

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
  - The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.



#### Sharing the Peace of Christ

**P** Go in peace and serve the LORD.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Following the service, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

#### Organ Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hans Friedrich Micheelsen

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October is Clergy Appreciation Month. Operation Barnabas is hosting the Welcome Center this morning in recognition for the ministry shared to Trinity by Chaplain Prince and Pastor Utton. Please join after the service to say Thank You!

The Nomination Committee recommends the following candidates for the 2024-2025 Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Council:

Vice President- Elizabeth Baroody Second Trustee- Gerald Harger Recording Secretary- Anne Starke Director of Special Ministries- Patty Malone Director of Stewardship- David Chadwick Director of Worship- Janice Gwin

Any Voting Member of the congregation may submit to the committee additional names (who have agreed to be nominated) for inclusion on the list and such names shall be placed in nomination by the committee along with the candidates already chosen, provided:

- a) That such names shall be submitted by **October 15th**, at least four weeks before the date of the fall Voters' Assembly (Nov. 12th).
- b) That the Nominating Committee shall have investigated the status of all proposed candidates and found them eligible for office and willing to serve.

**CANDY DONATIONS** - Christian Growth will be collecting candy donations in support of a Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot at the end of October. There will be a box in the Welcome Center throughout October for the candy to be collected.

Trinity will be having a Trunk or Treat/Fall Festival on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. Sign-up sheets are on the board in the Welcome Center for volunteers to set-up, clean-up and those who would like to 'treat from their trunk'!!!!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AIDE** - In a new effort we are looking for an additional aide each Sunday in the children's class. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Welcome Center. There will be no need to make or review the lesson before the Sunday you volunteer, just that you arrive by 9 am. Contact Lisa Otero with any questions.

special ministries news – shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child are available in the Welcome Center this morning. This year we will have 30 boxes that will need to be filled. As you take a box, please fill out your name, phone number and how many boxes you take on the sheet provided so that we can keep track. A special thank you to Cathy George for getting the shoeboxes and applying for Thrivent "seed money" to pay for the mailing of the boxes. We do ask if you take a box to please fill it and return it since the postage has been pre-paid. If you take a box and find yourself unable to fill it, please return the box to Patty Malone or Cathy George. PLEASE RETURN YOUR BOX WHETHER YOU FILL IT OR NOT. You will have the entire month of October to fill your box and return to church. The final day for returning the boxes will be Reformation Sunday – October 29th.

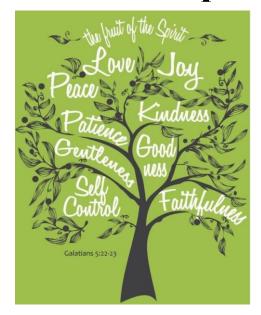
**LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL** – It is time once again to renew your subscription to *The Lutheran Witness*. The cost is \$20.50 per subscription, with checks payable to Trinity, memo notation *Lutheran Witness*. This is a publication well worth your reading time, please consider ordering through the Church Office at this group rate. Order deadline is next Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>!

## **LWML Tidewater Zone Fall Workshop**

Saturday, October 14, 2023
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
A lite breakfast and lunch are provided.
If you are planning on attending,
please sign-up on the board
in the Welcome Center.
\$5.00 Registration Fee

# "Love, Joy, Peace" Galatians 5:22

The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy (Psalm 126:3 NIV)



We will be celebrating the Reformation on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am with special music and both Pastor Utton and Chaplain Prince leading our service that morning. Following the service, we will once again gather for our Oktoberfest Luncheon in Belvedere Hall. Along with some traditional German food we always enjoy the many dishes brought in to share by each of our Trinity families.

A sign-up sheet can be found in the Welcome Center to let us know who will be attending and what dish you will be bringing!

#### THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
•	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	Communion Worship Service	10:00 am
	Operation Barnabas Pastor Appreciation	Following Worship
Monday, October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Columbus Day	Office Closed
	Bowling League	6:30 pm
Thursday, October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Bible Study	11:30 am
	Choir Rehearsal	4:30 pm
Saturday, October 14 <sup>th</sup>	LWML Tidewater Zone Workshop	9:00 am
Sunday, October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost	
	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	Communion Worship Service	10:00 am

### Scriptures for October 15th

Isaiah 5:1-7 ~ Philippians 3:4-14 ~ Matthew 21:33-46

**Third Quarter Statements are now available in the Welcome Center.** Please pick yours up today. If you have any questions, please call the Church Office. These statements will not be mailed.

Sunday, October 1, 2023 Worship Attendance - 95 General Offerings - \$7,639.56

Budget Update – September 2023			
Monthly Revenues		\$24,306.44	
Monthly Expenses		\$22,522.84	
Year to date Revenues		\$208,815.19	
Year to date Expenses		\$157,196.33	
Year to date: Actual Revenue less Actual Expenses		\$51,618.86	
Christian stewardship is the free and joyous activity of the child of God and God's family, the church, in managing all of life and life's resources for God's purposes.			
Moving Trinity Forward Fund – September 2023			
Monthly	Total		
\$1,229.27	\$19,277.81		