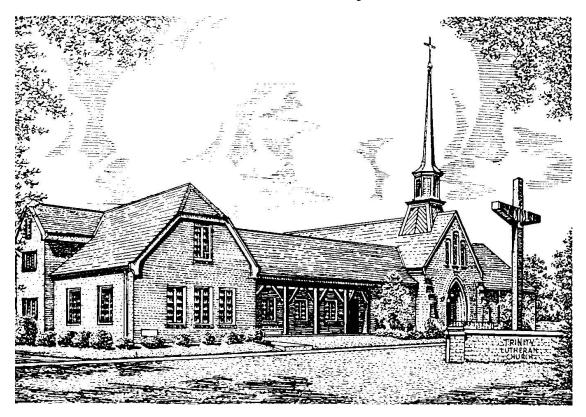
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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WiFi Password - HelloFriend

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.

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

Participants for Next Sunday

Greeter
Ushers
Lector
Communion Assistant
Host/Hostess

Errol Jennings and Anne Starke Cathy George Roger Medlin xxxxx

Doug Wolvin

Orry Watts Doug Sulak and Scott Thieman Ken Leiding Bill Sontag 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.

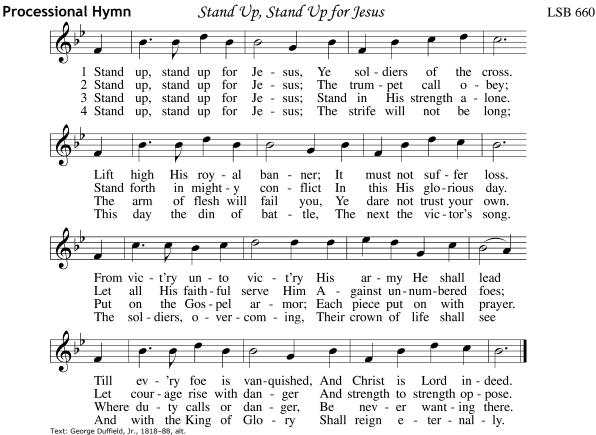
Organ Prelude

Jesus, Thou Art My Life

arr. by Joseph Roff

Welcome and Announcements

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



Tune: George Duffield, Jr., 1818–88, and Tune: George J. Webb, 1803–87
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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,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** 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

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;

my soul shall exult in my God,

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;

he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

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



- 1 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.
- Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; 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

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He will swallow up death forever;

and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,

and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

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

Gradual

The 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 4:4–13

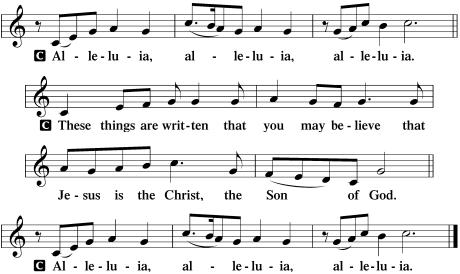
⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

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

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Matthew 22:1–14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²⁴The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

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

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

whose kingdom will have no end.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ. the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.





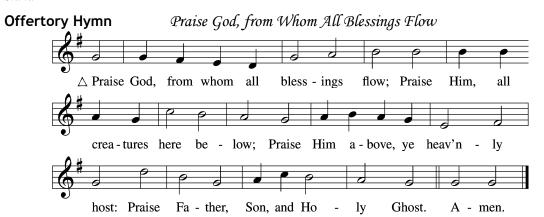
Sermon

Offering *Please take this time to sign in the Welcome Book at the end of your pew.* (Loose coins directly support LCMS families studying for the ministry through Coins for Christ.)

Anthem

Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet

John Carter



LSB 805

Prayer of the Church

- P Lord, in your mercy...
- Chear 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



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.





Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

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:

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.

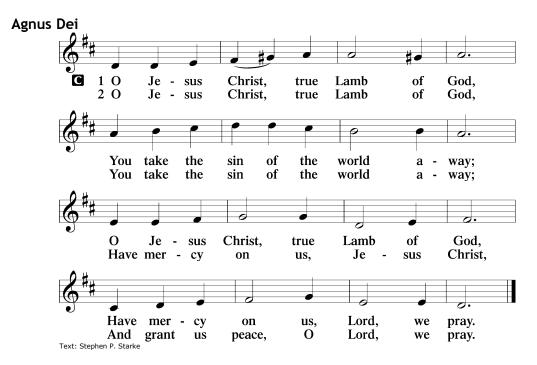
The Words of Our Lord

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 Hobody, 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

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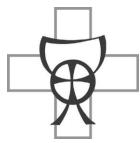
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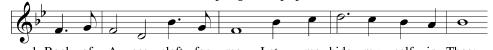
In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

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

 → in peace.
- C Amen.







- 1 Rock of A ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee; 2 Not the la-bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de-mands:
- 3 Noth-ing in my hand I bring; Sim ply to Thy cross I cling.
- 4 While I draw this fleet ing breath, When mine eye lids close in death,



and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed, Let the wa - ter Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help-less, look to Thee for grace; When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg-ment throne,



Be of sin the dou-ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r. for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone. All the foun-tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or to Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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Distribution Hymn

What a Friend We Have in Iesus

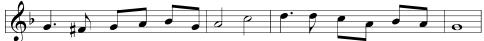
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- our sins and griefs to bear! 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav y lad en, Cum bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer! We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer. Pre-cious Sav-ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear-Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor-rows share? Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be-cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer! Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness—Take it to the Lord in prayer. His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol-ace there.

Text: Joseph M. Scriven, 1819-86, Tune: Charles C. Converse, 1832-1918

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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

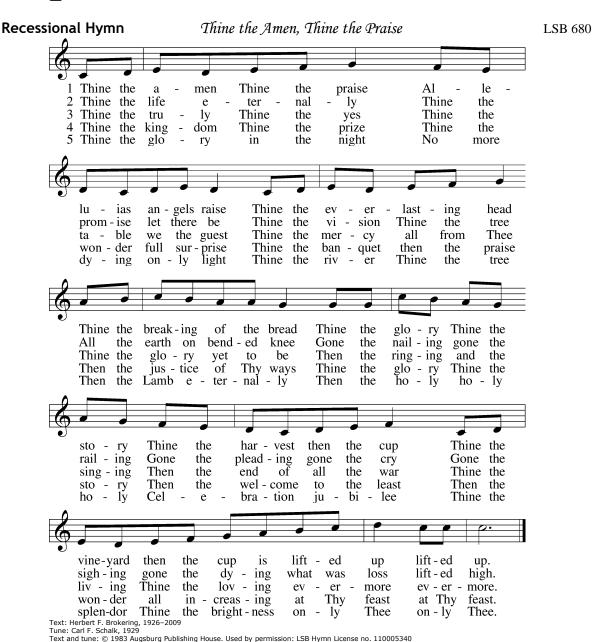
- P Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

Fanfare and Recessional

Lynn Trapp

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Thank you so much for the kindness poured out to us and our families this past Clergy Appreciation Sunday with the wonderful reception after worship. It has been a joy being partners of the Gospel (Phil 1:5) during this interim season of the church as we share the Gospel in Word and Sacrament. Thank you also for your continued prayers for Trinity as we seek God's will through the call process.

Chaplain Prince and Pastor Utton

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 28th 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.

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 TODAY!

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.

Bulletin Deadline - If you have a blurb or an insert for the bulletin, please make sure it is into the Church Office by 9:00 am on the Wednesday morning prior to publication.



The *power* of a simple *gift*

HELP US send Good News and Great Joy to a Christmas Child!

Christmas Child are still available. 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.

We will be celebrating the Reformation on Sunday, October 29th 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 15 th	Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost	
	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	Communion Worship Service	10:00 am
Monday, October 16 th	Bowling League	6:30 pm
Thursday, October 19 th	Ladies Bible Study	11:30 am
	Choir Rehearsal	4:30 pm
	Men's Bible Study @ Richard Ball's home	6:30 pm
Sunday, October 22 nd	Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost	-
	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	Communion Worship Service	10:00 am

Scriptures for October 22nd

Isaiah 45:1-7 ~ 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 ~ Matthew 22:15-22

Sunday, October 8, 2023 Worship Attendance - 114 General Offerings - \$1,849.94



PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE CHURCH MOUSE!

Please do not bring food or drinks into the Sanctuary. If you must eat or drink, please do so in the Welcome Center or the Nursery. We are seeing an increase of critters in the building especially now that the weather is cooler. We appreciate your assistance!