



WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY, October 11, 2026

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Divine Service 10:15 AM

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR LWML SUNDAY DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE

✠ INDICATES TO STAND

OPENING HYMN PAGE 697

“AWAKE, O SLEEPER, RISE FROM DEATH”

✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION PAGE 184

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD PAGE 186

✠ PSALM 100

P ¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

C ²**Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!**

P ³Know that the LORD, He is God!

C **It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His Pasture.**

P ⁴Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

C **Give thanks to Him; bless His name!**

P ⁵For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever,

C **and His faithfulness to all generations.**

✠ KYRIE PAGE 186

✠ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS PAGE 187

✠ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C ♪ **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

A Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious God, You want all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Magnify the power of the Gospel in the hearts of Your faithful people that Your Church may spread the good news of salvation. Protect, encourage, and bless all missionaries who proclaim the saving cross that Christ, being lifted up, may draw all people to Himself, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 🎵 Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING -- PROVERBS 11:10-30

P The Old Testament reading for LWML Sunday is from the eleventh chapter of Proverbs.

¹⁰When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices, and when the wicked perish there are shouts of gladness. ¹¹By the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is overthrown. ¹²Whoever belittles his neighbor lacks sense, but a man of understanding remains silent. ¹³Whoever goes about slandering reveals secrets, but he who is trustworthy in spirit keeps a thing covered. ¹⁴Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety. ¹⁵Whoever puts up security for a stranger will surely suffer harm, but he who hates striking hands in pledge is secure. ¹⁶A gracious woman gets honor, and violent men get riches. ¹⁷A man who is kind benefits himself, but a cruel man hurts himself. ¹⁸The wicked earns deceptive wages, but one who sows righteousness gets a sure reward. ¹⁹Whoever is steadfast in righteousness will live, but he who pursues evil will die. ²⁰Those of crooked heart are an abomination to the LORD, but those of blameless ways are His delight. ²¹Be assured, an evil person will not go unpunished, but the offspring of the righteous will be delivered. ²²Like a gold ring in a pig's snout is a beautiful woman without discretion. ²³The desire of the righteous ends only in good; the expectation of the wicked in wrath. ²⁴One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. ²⁵Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered. ²⁶The people curse him who holds back grain, but a blessing is on the head of him who sells it. ²⁷Whoever diligently seeks good seeks favor, but evil comes to him who searches for it. ²⁸Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf. ²⁹Whoever troubles his own household will inherit the wind, and the fool

will be servant to the wise of heart. ³⁰The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and whoever captures souls is wise.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 91:11, 103:1*)

P He will command His angels concerning you

C to guard you in all your ways.

P Bless the LORD, O my soul,

C and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

THE EPISTLE -- 1 PETER 4:1-12

P The Epistle reading is from the fourth chapter of First Peter.

¹Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, ²so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God. ³The time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. ⁴With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; ⁵but they will give account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. ⁶For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does. ⁷The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL -- MATTHEW 5:10-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the fifth chapter.

C **♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. ¹³“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. ¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. ¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C **♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

✠ THE APOSTLE’S CREED..... PAGE 192

HYMN OF THE DAY PAGE 446

“JESUS, GREATEST AT THE TABLE”

THE SERMON (PROVERBS 11)

OFFERING

✠ OFFERTORY..... PAGE 192

✠ THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH PAGE 193

P Lord, In Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

✠ THE LORD'S PRAYER PAGE 196

✠ BENEDICTION PAGE 202

CLOSING HYMN PAGE 832

“JESUS SHALL REIGN”

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NEXT WEEK'S TEXTS: Psalm 96:1-13; Isaiah 45:1-7; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10;
Matthew 22:15-22



2 Corinthians 8:7

TRINITY STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

The Grace of Giving

Through our own personal efforts, we are not going to be able to increase our level of giving. We grow in the grace of giving as the Holy Spirit, working through God's Word, instructs and empowers us to be more generous. As we spend time reading and studying God's Word, we will grow in faith and, as a result, grow also in our generosity. The Apostle Paul wrote, ***"And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work" (2 Corinthians 9:8).*** It is only by God's grace that we have money to give, and it is only by God's grace that we have the desire to give.

Lord, I thank You for the most indescribable gift, the gift of Your Son, Jesus. May Your love and generosity empower me to honor You with my life and blessings. Help me to grow in the grace of giving. Through Christ I pray. Amen.

Lola Ableidinger, Stewardship Chair

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T H I S W E E K

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026 THROUGH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	<i>Christian Education Hour</i>
	10:15 A.M.	<i>Divine Worship</i>
	<i>After Service</i>	<i>Confirmation Class</i>
	<i>After Service</i>	<i>LWML Bakesale</i>
	<i>After Service</i>	<i>Board of Education Meeting</i>
MONDAY		<i>Church office is closed</i>
		<i>Columbus Day</i>
		<i>Ruth Bible Study</i>
TUESDAY	9:30 A.M.	<i>Bell Choir Practice</i>
	5:15 P.M.	<i>TOPS</i>
WEDNESDAY	10:30 A.M.	<i>PEO Meeting</i>
	11:30 A.M.	<i>Quilters</i>
THURSDAY	9:30 A.M.	<i>Ladies' Bible Study at Lola's</i>
	2:00 P.M.	<i>Board of Directors' Meeting</i>
	7:00 P.M.	<i>Christian Education Hour</i>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	<i>Divine Worship/Communion</i>
	10:15 A.M.	<i>Mission Sunday-Luther Classical College</i>
		<i>Confirmation class</i>
	<i>After Service</i>	

Pastor will be at the pastors' conference in Breckinridge, CO this week from Tuesday noon through Saturday.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by Gerald & Gayan Moore in celebration of Gayan's and their granddaughter Vanessa's birthdays.

CHRISTUS AUXILIARY

The Christus Auxiliary at the hospital are having their Fall Sale on November 6 at the Hospital Meeting Rooms 1-2-3 and 4 right across from the Cafeteria. This is an annual event that sells so many baked goods and good misc gifts including jewelry. The time is going to be 7:30am - 2:00pm on that Friday. I'd like to invite the members of the church to come by and find some nice things for their family and Christmas goodies. The proceeds go to our Scholarship Fund.



On Saturday October 31st, the Evangelism Committee is hosting a Trunk-or-Treat starting at 3pm (for setup) and the event running from 4pm to 6pm. We are looking for "trunk tenders" (those willing to host a decorated trunk – we provide the candy and can assist in trunk set up if needed or requested. **We need volunteers. There are sign up sheets on the Evangelism Board for various needs, including donated candy.**

LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

October 11 - “Whether the sin of aborting one’s child or the sin of remaining silent and not speaking on behalf of our unborn children, whether the sin of neglecting an aging parent or even—God forbid—encouraging them to consider physician-assisted suicide as an option, whether the sin of apathy toward the gross evil and immorality in the world—turn to Jesus! There is forgiveness to be found for every sin, but it is only found in Jesus. Only in that holy blood, shed for us on the cross, do we find the antidote for the poison of sin.” *Rev. Paul Clark, Lutherans For Life of Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

October 11– What care and compassion are seen by the men who brought their paralyzed friend to Jesus! What burden they gladly bore to carry this man that he could be brought to Christ! They sought nothing for themselves, but only the welfare of their brother! What great compassion, therefore, does our Lord have for us? “Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends.” And so, then, our Lord commands: “Therefore, go and do likewise.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LWML SUNDAY: Today is LWML Sunday. Please check out and buy something from the bake sale in the great room after the worship service.

EDUCATION: The next Education Committee meeting will be today after the worship service in the library.

MISSION FOR OCTOBER is **Luther Classical College** stands as a beacon for families seeking a higher education that seamlessly marries rigorous academics with the historic Lutheran faith. By prioritizing a classical liberal arts curriculum rooted in the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions, the college equips young men and women not just for professional excellence, but for godly leadership within the home, church, and community. It provides a unique, counter-cultural environment where Christian virtue is cultivated, helping to form the theological and moral foundation necessary for building steadfast Lutheran households. In a world of changing cultural tides, Luther Classical College serves as a vital partner for parents, anchoring the next generation in Christ. More information can be found about the college in the Narthex under the mailboxes.

TRACT OF THE MONTH: Concordia Publishing House's pamphlet "**What About Stewardship?**" (from the popular *What About...?* series by Rev. Dr. A.L. Barry) addresses this directly. The resource highlights that stewardship is not simply a church fundraising program; it is a joyful, whole-life response to God's grace. When we faithfully manage our time, talents, and resources, we build the very foundation that allows our church to reach out to our neighbors with the love of Christ. Copies of this pamphlet are available in the narthex—I encourage every family to pick one up this Sunday from the spinning rack in the narthex!

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFuo.org: We're wrapping up our study of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT) and beginning a brand-new series! Tune in on October 14th as we open up the book of Job. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT), we are studying Paul's letters to the Corinthians. Tune in as we discuss 2 Corinthians chapters 3-6! Don't forget to join us for the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9 a.m. CT), as we talk with representatives of Lutheran Mission Australia; hear stories from Lutheran church leaders in Norway and Nigeria; and learn what a Director of Parish Music does for a congregation! Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfuo.org.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, November 7, 2027
75th Anniversary Celebration at
Trinity Lutheran Church, Alamogordo

There will be a suggestion box placed in the narthex along with a list of ideas etc. or you may add your own suggestions and place in the box. If you have any pictures of past events (they will be given back to you so please write your name on the back of them) and place them in the suggestion box.

The next committee meeting is Wednesday, October 21st at 10:15 a.m. If you would like to help with the planning please join us at our next meeting.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

SUNDAY, OCT. 4, 2026: WORSHIPPED: 89 COMMUNED: 75 ONLINE: 8

SUNDAY, OCT. 4, 2026: GENERAL FUND: \$5,210.00

SEPT. MONTHLY ONLINE: GENERAL FUND: \$3,625.00

LUTHER CLASSICAL COLLEGE: \$50.00

FLOWERS: \$36.00

MEMORIAL FUND: \$2,500.00

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY: 16

RUTH BIBLE STUDY (TUES. MORNING): 6

WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

THURSDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 5

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL:

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS: Hannah Keeler, Jan Thede

ELDER: Bob Klose

ALTAR GUILD: Christine Schllehuser

TELLERS: Dick Dommers

Beverly Van Duyn

Merry Zumwalt

ATTENDANCE: Cheryl Sandenaw

SOUND TECH: Sheri Cortez

USHERS: Susan Kelly, Cheryl Richey,
Chris Schlehuser,

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS: Glen & Christine Schlehuser

ELDER: Bob Klose

ALTAR GUILD: Christine Schlehuser

TELLERS: Nora Sotak

Beverly Van Duyn

Linde Van Cleave

ATTENDANCE: Cheryl Sandenaw

SOUND TECH: Matt Anderson

USHERS: Bob Thede, Tammy Thede
Robert Johnson, Trey Johnson

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME TO YOU IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

FOR COURAGE, GRACE, FAITH, AND HEALING WITHIN YOUR WILL

Lola Ableidinger, Darrell & Sheila Anderson, Vicky Cosio, **Jan Dommers**, Rosemary Ferguson,
Bob Freeman, **Goldie Gressman**, Rob Gressman, Jill Guterrez, Veronica Holman,
Kristi Humphrey, Ron Hust, **Wilma Jaecks**, Jim Johnson, Karen King, Todd Lindsay,
Kiley Martin, Carey Mitchell, Connie Prather, Rachel Preus, Logan Radford, Janet Rooker,
Susan Rentschler, Connie Rogers, Tammy Salmons, Dana Sandenaw, Audriana Sapien,
Jesicca Schroeder, **Glen Schleuser**, Pete Stebbins, **Tammy Thede, Irvin Torres**, Matt Vick,
Ann Waghorn, Margaret Worley, **Jim & Ruth Wilkes**, Rob Williams, Karen Zinn, Martyrs for the faith,
Our Nation's Leaders, Public Safety Personnel

We also pray for those who are on the long-term prayers in the Trinitarian.

FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN THE MILITARY

Tom Bass, Heather Beck, **Zac Collins**, Brendan Garritano, Ryan Hobson, Caleb Jaecks, Cody Phelps,
Daniel Smelser, Bryant Roeske, Kyle Steeby, and all troops serving in harms way

LEST WE FORGET

PRAISES AND THANKSGIVING

FOR OUR HOMEBOUND

Bill English, Tom & Darlene Gilmore, Rodney Greer, Shirley Hill, Lee Wood,

AMEN

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS

If you wish to place a name on the prayer list, you must complete a **blue prayer request card**. **The cards are located on the credenza to the right as you leave the sanctuary.** If the individual needs to remain on the prayer list, the requester will have to update the request card every two weeks by calling the church office or completing a new card. If not updated after two weeks on the weekly prayer list, each name will be transferred to the extended prayer list which will be published in the Trinitarian.