

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY, July 26, 2026

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Divine Service 10:15 AM

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE

✠ INDICATES TO STAND

OPENING HYMN..... *PAGE 821*

“ALLELUIA ! SING TO JESUS”

✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *PAGE 151*

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD *PAGE 152*

✠ PSALM 125

P 1Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion,

C **which cannot be moved, but abides forever.**

P 2As the mountains surround Jerusalem,

C **so the LORD surrounds His people, from this time forth and forevermore.**

P 3For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest

C **on the land allotted to the righteous, lest the righteous stretch out their hands to do wrong.**

P: 4Do good, O LORD, to those who are good,

C **and to those who are upright in their hearts!**

P 5But those who turn aside to their crooked ways

C **the LORD will lead away with evildoers! Peace be upon Israel!**

✠ KYRIE *PAGE 152*

✠ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS..... *PAGE 154*

✠ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C ♪ And also with you.

P Let us pray.

A **Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; 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 -- DEUTERONOMY 7:6-9

P The Old Testament reading for the ninth Sunday after Pentecost is from the seventh chapter of Deuteronomy

⁶“You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for His treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set His love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that He swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments, to a thousand generations.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C**Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL (*Romans 11:33,36*)

P Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

C **How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!**

P For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

C **To Him be glory forever. Amen.**

THE EPISTLE -- ROMANS 8:28-39

P The Epistle reading is from the eighth chapter of Romans.

²⁸We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. ²⁹For those whom He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, in order that He might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom He predestined He also called, and those whom He called He also justified, and those whom He justified He also glorified. ³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare His own Son but gave

Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, "For Your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

✠ ALLELUIA AND VERSEPAGE 156

✠THE HOLY GOSPEL -- MATTHEW 13:44-52

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

C **♪ Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁴[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it. ⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹"Have you understood all these things?" They said to Him, "Yes." ⁵²And He said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C **♪ Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAYPAGE 719

"I LEAVE ALL THINGS TO GOD'S DIRECTION"

THE SERMON (ROMANS 8:28-39)

✠THE APOSTLE'S CREED..... PAGE 159

✠THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord have mercy.

OFFERING

✠OFFERTORY..... PAGE 159

✠THE LORD'S PRAYER..... PAGE 162

✠ BENEDICTION..... PAGE 166

CLOSING HYMN PAGE 763

“WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER”

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NEXT WEEK'S TEXTS: Psalm 136:1-9; Isaiah 55:1-5; Romans 9:1-13; Matthew 14:13-21

LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

July 26 - “Even with all our sins, and even our rejection of Him, God is patiently loving us and calling us back to Him through the Holy Spirit. That’s your story, friends. Go out in your God-given identity as a king or a queen and a priest. Don’t go in fear and trembling, because when He calls you, He’ll be with you!” *Diane Albers, President of Lutherans For Life*

– *A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

July 26 – Pentecost 9 – God does not love us because of any quality in us, such as our age, physical ability, potential, wisdom, race, etc. (Deuteronomy 7:6-7). God chose to love us from His own good grace and mercy and gave all He had, His own dear Son, to purchase the world from sin and have us as His own possession (Matthew 13:44). In doing so, God reveals that every person—regardless of their age, size, or condition—is a precious treasure to Him and is worthy of our love and protection.

LWML RUMMAGE SALE

Rummage Sale – Friday, August 7 and Saturday, August 8 are the dates of the annual LWML Rummage Sale. There is a small amount of storage room in the middle Sunday School Room and in the East Shed. You are welcome to leave stuff, if you find room. It would be helpful to save your rummage donations until the week of the sale, but please have them here by Thursday morning August 6, so the items can be sorted and priced. If you need pick-up service, call Nora Sotak 575-439-7524.

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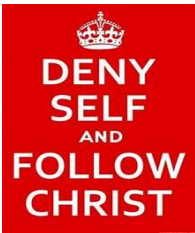
SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2026 THROUGH SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026

<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>
MONDAY		<i>Church office is closed</i>
TUESDAY	9:30 A.M.	<i>Ruth Bible Study</i>
WEDNESDAY	9:00 A.M.	<i>Men's Bible Study</i>
	10:30 A.M.	<i>TOPS</i>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	<i>Christian Education Hour</i>
	10:15 A.M.	<i>Divine Worship/Communion</i>
	After Service	Set up tables for LWML Rummage Sale

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by Dick & Cheryl Richey in celebration of Cheryl's birthday.

Trinity Stewardship Ministry



**STEWARDS ARE DISCIPLES WHO FOLLOW JESUS WITH THEIR HEARTS
ALONG WITH THEIR TIME TALENTS, AND MONEY**

“Then Jesus told His disciples, ‘If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me” (Matthew 16:24).

Lola Ableidinger, Stewardship Chair
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST NEWSLETTER: Articles for the August newsletter are due to my office by Monday, July 27th. Also, if you have any event that needs to be on the August calendar, please let me know as soon as possible. Thank you, Jan

CHURCH OFFICE: Pastor will be taking Monday's off as his day off. The Church Office will be closed on Mondays.

2026-2027 SUNDAY SCHOOL: The children and youth 2026-2027 Sunday School will begin on Sunday, August 23rd at 9:00 am.

PRAYER CHAIN: Our church has an active email prayer chain. When activated, 39 different households begin to pray for your concerns and sickness and send praises to our God for your triumphs. To join this prayer chain and/or have the prayer chain pray for you, contact one of the ladies listed below.

Jan Thede, 575-437-1482 tlchurchlcms@yahoo.com during office hours (can be reached at home at (575-921-3696).

Diane Kline, 909-649-1165 dkline@pacbell.net

Nora Sotak, 575-439-7524 noraricksotak@gmail.com

Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me. Ps 50:15

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUE.org: Our study of the book of Matthew continues on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT)! Tune in to "The Reign of Heaven Stands Near" as we look at Matthew 12 and 13. Join us on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT) as we move forward in our study of Acts! We'll be picking up this week with chapter 21. Don't forget to listen to The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9 a.m. CT)! This week is Bach Week, and we'll be airing special episodes each day in commemoration of the church musician, J.S. Bach. Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfuo.org!

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026: WORSHIPPED: 97 COMMUNED: 75 ONLINE: 7

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026: GENERAL FUND: \$3,590.00

LCMS SEMINARY FUND: \$160.00

FLOWERS: \$40.00

PASTOR'S PANTRY: \$55.00

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS: Robert & Stacy Johnson

ELDER: Bob Klose

ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Krueger

TELLERS: Sandy Klose

Stacy Johnson

Susan Kelly

ATTENDANCE: Diane Kline

SOUND TECH: Matt Anderson

USHERS: Gerald Moore, Irvin Torres

Cameron Maltz, Cody Zumwalt

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS: Cheryl Sandenaw, Wilma Jaecks

ELDER: Dick Dommers

ALTAR GUILD: Sheila Anderson

TELLERS: Joyce Macon

Wilma Jaecks

Bob Klose

ATTENDANCE: Cody & Merry Zumwalt

SOUND TECH: Jim Kline

USHERS: Tom Blackmon, Jim Fladhammer

Larry & Beverly Van Duyn

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME TO YOU IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

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

Lola Ableidinger, Darrell & Sheila Anderson, Paul & Cathy Anderson, Ellen Clark,
Douglas Clark, Vicky Cosio, **Jan Dommers,** Sammie Feldman, Bob Freeman, **Goldie Gressman,**
Rob Gressman, Jill Guterrez, Veronica Holman, Ron Hust, **Wilma Jaecks,** Jim Johnson,
Jim & **Hannah Keeler,** Janet Kushlan, Todd Lindsay, Carey Mitchell, Grady Nicholson, Rob Ostash,
Connie Prather, Rachel Preus, Logan Radford, Janet Rooker, **Susan Rentschler,** Connie Rogers,
Tammy Salmons, Dana Sandenaw, Jessica Schroeder, **Glen Schlehuser,** Pete Stebbins,
Roger Storm, **Tammy Thede,** Rogelio Torres, Matt Vick, Ann Waghorn, 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,** Brendon 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,
Jim & Ruth Wilkes, 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.