

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Divine Service 10:15 am

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE MARTYRDOM OF ST. JOHN, THE BAPTIST DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE

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“ON JORDON’S BANK THE BAPTIST’S CRY” (STAND ON LAST VERSE)

✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION PAGE 184

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD PAGE 186

✠ PSALM 71:1-8

P ¹In You, O LORD, do I take refuge;

C **let me never be put to shame!**

P ²In Your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

C **incline Your ear to me, and save me!**

P ³Be to me a rock of refuge,

C **to which I may continually come; You have given the command to save me,
for You are my rock and my fortress.**

P ⁴Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,

C **from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.**

P ⁵For You, O Lord, are my hope,

C **my trust, O LORD, from my youth.**

P ⁶Upon You I have leaned from before my birth;

C **you are Ye who took me from my mother’s womb. My praise is continually of you.**

P ⁷I have been as a portent to many,

C **but You are my strong refuge.**

P ⁸My mouth is filled with Your praise,

C **and with Your glory all the day.**

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P The Lord be with you.

C ♪ And with thy spirit

P Let us pray.

A Almighty God, You gave Your servant John the Baptist to be the forerunner of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in both his preaching of repentance and his innocent death. Grant that we, who have died and risen with Christ in Holy Baptism, may daily repent of our sins, patiently suffer for the sake of the truth, and fearlessly bear witness to His victory over death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ♪Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING -- REVELATION 6:9-11

P The First Reading for the Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist is from the sixth chapter of Revelation.

⁹When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. ¹⁰They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before You will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" ¹¹Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.

P O Lord, Have mercy upon us

C Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.)

P Fear the LORD you His saints

C for those who fear Him lack nothing!

P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

THE EPISTLE READING -- ROMANS 6:1-5

P The Epistle reading is from the sixth chapter of Romans

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

✠ ALLELUIA AND VERSE PAGE 190

✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL ---- MARK 6:14-29

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

C **♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord**

¹⁴King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. ¹⁸For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. ²²For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." ²³And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." ²⁴And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." ²⁵And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. ²⁷And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to

bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison ²⁸and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord
C **♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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"BY ALL YOUR SAINTS IN WARFARE" (VERSES 1, 24 & 3 – STAND ON VERSE 3)

THE SERMON

OFFERING

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

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"LIFT HIGH THE CROSS" (VERSES 1-6)

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NEXT WEEK'S TEXTS: Psalm 32:1-7; Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:1-10, Matthew 18:1-20

T H I S W E E K

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026 THROUGH SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M.	<i>Christian Education Hour</i> <i>Divine Worship</i>
MONDAY		<i>Church office is closed</i>
TUESDAY	9:30 A.M. 5:15 P.M.	<i>Ruth Bible Study</i> <i>Bells Choir practice</i>
WEDNESDAY	9:00 A.M.	<i>Men's Bible Study</i>
THURSDAY	9:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M. 2:00 P.M.	<i>Quilters</i> <i>TOPS</i> <i>Ladies Bible Study at Lola's house</i>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M.	<i>Christian Education Hour</i> <i>Divine Worship/Communion</i>

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by John Marquardt in thanks to God for his many blessings

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LWML MISSION TABLE: We need more things to sell on our LWML Mission Table. Please take a look around your house for things that you can donate to the mission table. Proceeds from the LWML Mission table goes to Ysleta Lutheran Mission in El Paso. Thank you, Wilma Jaecks.

BELL CHOIR: Our Bell Choir practice is every Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. Contact Joyce Macon 586-434-6685 for more information.

2026-2027 SUNDAY SCHOOL: Youth and children's Sunday school began last week at 9:00 a.m. If you missed the first Sunday, please join us next Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. For more information, please contact Sue Kelly at 575-430-2100.

MISSION FOR JULY & AUGUST IS THE LCMS JOINT SEMINARY FUND: The LCMS Joint Seminary Fund was established to supplement the Synod subsidy by directly soliciting the church for charitable donations. Gifts to the LCMS Joint Seminary Fund are restricted exclusively to supporting both of our world-class seminaries. Our LCMS seminaries have only three

sources of operating revenue: 1) Investment income from endowment, 2) Tuition paid by students after financial aid is awarded (often in the form of student loans), & 3) Financial gifts graciously supplied by God's people. Mission Sundays are the third Sunday of the month.

TRACT OF THE MONTH: What about the Apostle's Creed by A.I. Barry. Answers the following questions: *What do we confess about God the Father, God the Son and about the Holy Spirit? Why do we use creeds?* Pick one up in the Narthex the next time you pass by the spinning track rack at church.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUE.org: We're continuing our study of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT)! This week, we'll take a look at chapters 20 and 21. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT), our latest study is covering the Song of Solomon. Tune in as we discuss chapters 5-8! Don't forget to join us for the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9 a.m. CT), as we talk about "serious joy with Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller, join Pastor Carl Roth for "Searching Scripture", and meet Rev. Dr. Jon Braunersreuther of the LCMS Texas District! Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfuo.org.

LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

August 30 "Use the biological reality of the word 'abortion' to begin discussion to share that message with your unbelieving neighbor. Do so with boldness, but gentleness, please! Use the eternal reality of the word 'abortion' to share that message with your fellow believers. Speak the truth in love, please!" *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

August 30 – Pentecost 14 – At the end of earthly life, we might cry out: "Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed?" (Jeremiah 15:18). Don't take your life, or anyone else's, into your own hands. Receive St. Paul's encouragement for all your for-life conversations: "Love one another with brotherly affection ... associate with the lowly ... live peaceably with all ... do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good" (Romans 12:9-21). Even though many of us may "taste death" before the Son of Man returns, we set our minds on the things of God—life! —and not the things of man (Matthew 16:23, 28).

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

SUNDAY, AUG. 23, 2026: WORSHIPPED: 75 ONLINE: 13

SUNDAY, AUG. 23, 2026: GENERAL FUND: \$1,260.00

LCMS SEMINARY FUND: \$100.00

FLOWERS: \$20.00

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY: 23

RUTH BIBLE STUDY (TUES. MORNING): 9

WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: 8

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS: Robert & Stacy Johnson

ELDER: Dick Dommers

ALTAR GUILD: Sheila Anderson

TELLERS: Nora Sotak

Wilma Jaecks

Linde Van Cleave

ATTENDANCE: Cody & Merry Zumwalt

SOUND TECH: Jim Kline

USHERS: Volunteers

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS: Wilma Jaecks & Cheryl Sandenaw

ELDER: Bob Klose

ALTAR GUILD: Sheila Anderson

TELLERS: Lola Ableidinger

Wilma Jaecks

Cheryl Sandenaw

ATTENDANCE: Hannah Keeler

SOUND TECH: Vicki Leonard

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, Jane Anderson, **Paul & Cathy Anderson, Allen & Belinda Burmeister**, Ellen Clark, Vicky Cosio, **Jan Dommers**, Rosemary Ferguson, Bob Freeman, **Goldie Gressman**, Rob Gressman, Jill Guiterrez, Veronica Holman, Ron Hust, Jim & **Hannah Keeler**, Karen King, Janet Kushlan, Todd Lindsay, Chole McWilliams, Carey Mitchell, Grady Nicholson, Rob Ostash, Connie Prather, Rachel Preus, Logan Radford, Carl & Janet Rooker, **Susan Rentschler**, Connie Rogers, Tammy Salmons, Dana Sandenaw, Jessica Schroeder, **Glen Schlehuser**, Pete Stebbins, Roger Storm, **Tammy Thede, Irvin Torres**, Rogelio 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

Family & friends of Terry Nielsen, sister-in-law of Nora Sotak
Family & friends of Pat Draney (mother of Patrick Draney)

PRAISES AND THANKSGIVING

Sage Jaecks (newborn grandson of Wilma Jaecks)
Goldie Gressman, back healing on its own

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.