

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Divine Service 10:15 AM

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR
THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING**

OPENING HYMN.....PAGE 605

"FATHER WELCOMES"

OPENING VERSICLESPAGE 260

L This is the day which the Lord has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C **Teach me Your paths.**

L Sanctify us in Your truth.

C **Your Word is truth.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

C **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.**

OLD TESTAMENT HYMN.....PAGE 528

"OH, FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING" (VERSES 1-4)

OLD TESTAMENT READING – ZECHARIAH 9:9-12

L The Old Testament reading is from the ninth chapter of Zechariah.

L ⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your King is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and He shall speak peace to the nations; His rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless

pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE -- ROMANS 7:14-25A

L The Epistle reading is from the seventh chapter of Romans.

¹⁴We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL – MATTHEW 11:25-30

✠L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was Your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him. ²⁸Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

✠RESPONSORY PAGE 263

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

✠THE TEN COMMANDMENTS..... PAGE 264

C You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

✠THE APOSTLE'S CREED..... PAGE 264

✠THE LORD'S PRAYER..... PAGE 264

HYMN OF THE DAY..... PAGE 752

"BE STILL MY SOUL"

THE SERMON

OFFERING

✠PRAYER..... PAGE 265

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, and for Pastor-elect Simon Niemtschk as we welcome him as our pastor next Sunday, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

- L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

✠COLLECT OF THE DAY.....PAGE 265

- L Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

✠COLLECT FOR THE WORDPAGE 265

- L Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, grant us Your promised rest and the full joys 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.
- C **Amen.**

✠MORNING PRAYERPAGE 266

- C **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

THE NEW TESTAMENT HYMN.....PAGE 484

“MAKE SONGS OF JOY” (STAND ON VERSE 6)

✠BLESSING.....PAGE 267

- L Let us bless the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**
- L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN.....PAGE 965

“GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND”

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NEXT WEEK'S TEXTS: Psalm 65:9-13; Isaiah 55:10-13; Romans 8:12-17;
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2026 THROUGH SUNDAY, JULY 12

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	Christian Education Hour
	10:15 A.M.	Divine Worship
TUESDAY	9:30 A.M.	Ruth Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	10:30 A.M.	TOPS Meeting
	11:30 A.M.	PEO Meeting
SUNDAY	10:15 A.M.	Divine Worship
		Mission Sunday-LHMI
	4:00 P.M.	Ordination and Installation of Pastor Simon Niemtschk
		Dinner following service-Great Room

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by Goldie Gressman in memory of her parents and her four brothers and by Cheryl Sandenaw in memory of her mother Colleen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Abby Anderson will lead four Summer Youth Activity days in July in place of VBS. The activity days will be held on Tues., July 14th and Thurs. July 16th, and Tues., July 21st and Thurs., July 23rd. They will be from 1:00-3:00 pm and will include a bible lesson, games, crafts and snacks.

LWML RUMMAGE SALE: We are collecting rummage for our annual Rummage Sale. Please place your rummage in the center Sunday School Room, the other two rooms are used for Children's Sunday School Classes. The East Shed is also available for storage of rummage. The shed key is available through Jan Thede during office hours 575-437-1482 or call Nora Sotak 575-439-7524, or Norbert Sanchez 575-921-2239.

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 8 and 9. 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 9. Don't forget to listen to Concord Matters this Saturday (7/11 at 10 a.m. CT)! Pastor Finner is leading us through a mini-study on the significance of the Lutheran Confessions. This week, we answer the question, "Is the Book of Concord even practical?" Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfuo.org!

PASTOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Pastor Simon's Ordination and Installation service is next Sunday, July 12, 2026 at 4:00 p.m., followed by a dinner in the Great Room

PASTOR PANTRY

The church would also like to help our new Pastor with a few pantry items to get started in his new home when he arrives. All donations are welcome and can be placed in the Mission Box marked "Pastor Pantry".

TRINITY STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY



Trinity Stewardship Ministry

The Cost of Freedom

On July 4, 1776, the thirteen colonies in America declared their freedom from Great Britain in the Declaration of Independence. July is a month when Americans are especially grateful for the privilege of living in this country. Much blood was shed and many lives lost, and, at this time of year, we take time to honor those who fought to liberate us. We recognize that our freedom has been won at great cost, and, at this time of year, we take time to honor those who fought to liberate us.

Our spiritual freedom, too, was won at great cost. We were slaves to the Law which we could never fulfill, but Christ satisfied its requirements for us. He shed His blood and gave His life to pay the penalty for the sin we incurred, for the freedom we now have as we live in Him. Let us honor Him as we express our gratitude by sharing with others the message of our freedom in Christ.

Prayer: Dear Heavenly Father, I thank You for all the blessings You have poured out on us and our wonderful country. Bless our leaders and institutions. Keep our troops safe. Amen.

Lola Ableidinger, Stewardship Chair

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026: WORSHIPPED: 64 ONLINE: 7

SUNDAY, JUNE, 28, 2026: GENERAL FUND: \$1,480.00

PASTOR'S PANTRY FUND: \$207.00

LUTHERAN HISPANIC MISSIONARY: \$401.00

FLOWERS: \$18.00

SUNDAY MORNING, ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

SUNDAY MORNING, CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY:

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS:	Bob & Jan Thede	ELDER:	Dick Dommers
LITURGIST:	Dick Dommers	SERMON:	Bob Klose
ALTAR GUILD:	Sandy Krueger	TELLERS:	Dick Dommers
	Stacy Johnson		Merry Zumwalt
ATTENDANCE:	Diane Kline	SOUND TECH:	Jim Kline
USHERS:	Tom Blackmon, Jim Fladhammer, Larry & Beverly Van Duyn		

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 12TH

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS:	Merry Zumwalt, Irvin Torres	ELDER:	Allen Burmeister
LITURGIST:	Bob Klose	SERMON:	Dick Dommers
ALTAR GUILD:	Sandy Krueger	TELLERS:	Linde Van Cleave
	Stacy Johnson		Nora Sotak
ATTENDANCE:	Diane Kline	SOUND TECH:	Vicki Leonard
USHERS:	Norbert Sanchez, Susan Kelly, Glen & Christine Schlehuser		

**HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME TO YOU IN
PRAISE AND PRAYER**

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

Darrell & Sheila Anderson, Paul & Cathy Anderson, Ellen Clark, Douglas Clark, Vicky Cosio,
Jan Dommers, Sammie Feldman, Bob Freeman, **Goldie Gressman,** Rob Gressman,
Jill Guitierrez, Veronica Holman, Jim Johnson, Jim & **Hannah Keeler,** Janet Kushlan, Issac Love,
Carey Mitchell, Grady Nicholson, Rob Ostash, Rachel Preus, Logan Radford, Janet Rooker,
Susan Rentschler, Connie Rogers, Dana Sandenaw, Jessica Schroeder, **Glen Schleuser,**
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,** Brendan Garritano, Ryan Hobson, Caleb Jaecks,
Daniel Smelser, Bryant Roeske, Kyle Steeby, Arcadia Thomason, Ethan Trowbridge,
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.