



Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Introduction to the Day

Someone who isn't part of Jesus' own circle is casting out demons in Jesus' name, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus' word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn't do it, by people we can't keep tabs on.

**19th Sunday after
Pentecost
Sept. 29, 2024
8:30 a.m.**



NOW THE FEAST

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF PEACE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Maroon Book, pg. 2

GATHERING SONG

“All Creatures of Our God and King”
Verses 1,2,3 & 7

LBW #527

GREETING

Maroon Book, pg. 2

KYRIE

Maroon Book, pg. 3

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Now the Feast”

Maroon Book, pg. 4

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: NUMBERS 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Sandy McMerty, reader

What constitutes legitimate need and legitimate leadership is the focus of this reading. God provides manna in the wilderness, yet the people crave meat. What is truly needful? God bestows the spirit on seventy elders, yet two men not designated as leaders prophesy in the power of God's spirit. What constitutes real leadership?

⁴The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors?’ ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

¹⁶So the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.”

Welcome to Worship at Trinity Lutheran

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or if you regularly attend, we are very glad that you are with us! Today, we gather to worship God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The church is not a building – it is you, the people. So “church,” thanks for showing up today. If you look around what you will see are imperfect people. Some with smiles, some with broken hearts, some with secrets they are ashamed to share... and yet all of us together are the “church.”

We are thankful you are here. Through God's Holy Spirit we pray you hear a word of grace and hope today.

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 19:7-14

(Please read responsively).

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²**Who can detect one's own offenses?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

SECOND READING: JAMES 5:13-20

Marks of the Christian community include praying for those who are sick and in need, celebrating with those in good health, restoring those who have strayed, confessing sins to one another, and offering forgiveness to each other.

¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia"

Maroon Book, pg. 8

GOSPEL: MARK 9:38-50

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus teaches his disciples about ministry that involves service and sacrifice. His disciples are slow to realize that these words apply to them as well as to others.

The holy gospel according to Mark, chapter 9, beginning with verse 38.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸John said to [Jesus], "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴²"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. ⁴⁹"For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰"Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S TIME/SERMON

Gracia Johnson
Trinity’s Youth & Children’s Ministry Coordinator

HYMN OF THE DAY

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

ELW #597

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please pray for James, Morgan, Terry, Dick, Wendy & Jan.

OFFERING/OFFERING MUSIC

“As the Grains of Wheat”

Maroon Book, pg. 12

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Maroon Book, pg 14

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

Maroon Book, pg 15

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

Maroon Book, pg 18

COMMUNION BLESSING

Maroon Book, pg 19

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

“Canticle of the Turning”

ELW #723

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of parents, Norman & Lilly Rolfson, Alvin & Alpha Halvorson. Given by Larry & Faye Rolfson.

PRAYERS - We pray for the Holt family today at the death of Doris Anne Holt whose burial was at Sunset Memorial on Thursday. While Doris most recently lived in California, she was the daughter of long time Trinity members David and Luella Holt.

HOLY BAPTISM - We welcome Bruin Jean Schneider, daughter of Tyson & Crystal Schneider to the family of God, who will be baptized today at the 10:30 service. Sponsors are Weston Schneider & Cassandra Leier.

RUMMAGE SALE - The Fall Rummage Sale is coming up and we need your help! All are welcome! Funds raised will go toward our children & youth ministry.

- We need help setting up the tables & racks for the sale on Wednesday, October 2 after worship.
- We start accepting donations Thursday, October 3.
- Help unpack items/set-up Thursday, October 3 – Thursday, October 10. Just stop on by and unpack a box or 10!
- Help bag items people are purchasing during the sale Friday, October 11 (8-5) & Saturday, October 12 (10-2). Please let Gracia know if you can help.
- Help pack up the leftovers starting @ 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 12. Please let Gracia know if you can help or just come on by & help.

DAKOTA PRO MUSICA CONCERT - The “Keeping Love in the Circle Around Me” concert is sponsored by our Mental Health Task Force. It will be at Trinity on Sunday, October 6th @ 3 p.m. There will be a mental health resource fair as well.

FOUNDERS’ DAY CELEBRATION VOLUNTEERS - We are looking for 20 volunteers to take part in a Founders' Day Celebration at The Dream Center on Thursday, October 10th since Trinity was the Founder of The Banquet. We need 2 volunteers at the Dream Center @ 1 p.m. to help prepare the meal and 18 volunteers to be there @ 4:30 p.m. to help serve the meal. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. Thank you for your consideration!

BLOOD DRIVE - Trinity is hosting a blood drive on Friday, October 18th. There are slots for 21 people willing to roll up their sleeves and bless those in medical need of life saving blood. A registration sheet to sign up is available in the Narthex.

ONLINE GIVING - Giving has never been easier! Open your camera on your phone and scan the QR code. It will take you right to Trinity’s online giving site. You can choose to give via credit card or bank account. Try it out today!



THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday 9-29

- 8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 AM - Church School
- 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 2 PM - Club 316

Tuesday 10-1

- 9 AM - Quilters in Quilters’ Room
- 5 PM - Worship/Music Committee in Conference Room
- 6 PM - Community Builders Comm. in Conf. Room

Wednesday 10-2

- 5:15 PM - Dinner served in Fellowship Hall
- 6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 6:40 PM - Church School, Confirmation, Youth Group

Thursday 10-3

- 10:30 AM - Joyce Baldwin Funeral in Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM - Re-Entry Meal in Fellowship Hall
- RUMMAGE SALE DROPOFF BEGINS**

Saturday 10-5

- 10 AM - Greif Support Group in Conference Room

Sunday 10-6

- 8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 AM - Church School
- 9:40 AM - Baptism Class in Conference Room
- 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 3 PM - Dakota Pro Musica Concert in Sanctuary

CLUB 316
ADVENTURES IN FAITH
GRADES 2-5 & 6-8

Scavenger Hunt & Campfire with S'mores!

Sunday, September 29
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Please use the north doors.
Contact Gracia with any questions:
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Trinity Members and Visitors!

Please follow the QR code below and share with us your favorite hymns or congregational songs. There are also paper forms in the Welcome Center.

