



Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Introduction to the Day

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

**11th Sunday after
Pentecost
August 24, 2025
8:30 a.m.**

NOW THE FEAST

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF PEACE

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

ELW pg. 94

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

"Morning Has Broken"

ELW #556

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE & HYMN OF PRAISE

HS 1991, pg. 3-4

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, mighty and immortal,

you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



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. 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.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:9b-14

Lyla Lovdal, reader

God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually
and satisfy your needs in parched places
and make your bones strong,
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water whose waters never fail.
¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.
¹³ If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the Sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the LORD honorable;
if you honor it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs;
¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the LORD,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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



PSALM 103:1-8

(Please read responsively).

¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.
² **Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits—**
³ who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases;
⁴ **who redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**
⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
⁶ **O LORD, you provide vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.**
⁷ You made known your ways to Moses
and your works to the children of Israel.
⁸ **LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:18-29

Using images of Moses, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷ This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe,
²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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

GOSPEL: LUKE 13:10-17

Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding "sabbath work" to include setting people free from bondage.

The holy gospel according to Luke, chapter 13, beginning with verse 10. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

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

CHILDREN'S TIME/SERMON

Pastor Martha HarriSon

HYMN OF THE DAY

"How Firm a Foundation"

ELW #796

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

"Calm to the Waves"

ELW #794

Please pray for Dick, Wendy, Amy, Dennis, Rod, Jim, Hal, Melissa, Donna, Cathy, Marsha, Mike & Sharon.

OFFERING**OFFERING RESPONSE**

"Change My Heart, O God"

ELW #801

OFFERING PRAYER

HS 1991, pg. 14

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**BENEDICTION**

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"O Day of Rest and Gladness"

ELW #521

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Stan Vitez. Given by Margaret, Clint, Jill and family.

“OUT OF THE DARKNESS” FUNDRAISER - Join us this morning for a caramel roll in the Community Center to support the Trinity Lutheran Team, “Into the Light.” This team will be walking the Out of the Darkness event to spread awareness and support to those who have been impacted and affected by suicide again this year. You can donate today or up until the day of the walk on September 14th. Your support is greatly appreciated.

REGISTER FOR CHURCH SCHOOL - Join us for a fun year of growing in faith! Church School (Sunday School) begins with Rally Day on September 3rd & 7th. It is open to kids age 3 to grade 5. Children must be 3 by August 1st for to start. Choose from 2 sessions: Sundays 9:35—10:20 a.m. or Wednesdays 6:40—7:25 p.m. Register at trinitybismarck.com. See Gracia with questions.

RUMMAGE SALE - Our Fall Rummage Sale will be held November 7th-8th. We'll start accepting items on October 30th.

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!



SCAN ME

**JOIN US FOR A FUN
YEAR OF GROWING
IN FAITH AT
CHURCH
SCHOOL!**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

- Offered Sundays & Wednesdays
- Age 3 through Grade 5
- No Cost
- Register at trinitybismarck.com

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SCAN ME



RALLY DAY!

Wednesday, September 3
5:00 p.m. Supper
6:00 p.m. Worship
6:40 p.m. Rally Day Fun

Sunday, September 7
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:35 a.m. Rally Day Fun
10:30 a.m. Worship

- Congregational Art Project
- Games - Treats - Fun
- Kids - Go around the church to complete the challenges & earn a free meal to Texas Roadhouse!

**MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
Mock-In!
BISMAN 6-12 GRADERS**

**Peace Lutheran Church
Friday, September 5,
2025 6-10pm**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME,
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!**

JOIN US FOR:

- PIZZA
- GAMES
- CRAFTS
- AND FUN!

SIGN UP >>



THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday 8-24

8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
10:30 AM - Worship in Community Center

Monday 8-25

6 PM - Lutherans in Leather in parking lot

Tuesday 8-26

9 AM - Quilters in Quilters' Room
4 PM - Property Committee in Conf. Room

Wednesday 8-27

4:30 PM - Trust Fund Comm. in Conf. Room
5:15 PM - Meal served in Fellowship Hall
6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary
6:40 PM - Youth Group, Confirmation

Friday 8-29

10 AM - Theology & Coffee in Conf. Room

Sunday 8-31

8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
10:30 AM - Worship in Community Center