

Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Introduction to the Day

Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of Christ in holy communion and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

13th Week after Pentecost Wednesday September 10, 2025 6 p.m.



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

"You Are My All in All" CCLI #825356 On screen

"He Has Made Me Glad" CCLI#1493 On screen

WELCOME & SHARING OF PEACE

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Direct us, O Lord God,

in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33

Jesus speaks frankly about the costs of discipleship. Those who follow him should know from the outset that completing the course of discipleship will finally mean renouncing all other allegiances.

The holy gospel according to Luke, chapter 14, beginning with verse 25. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁵ Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

CHILDREN'S TIME/SERMON

Pastor Martha HarriSon

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.

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 Dick, Wendy, Amy, Dennis, Rod, Jim, Hal, Melissa, Donna, Cathy, Marsha, Sharon, Mary & Lester.

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

"Taste and See"

ELW #493

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

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.

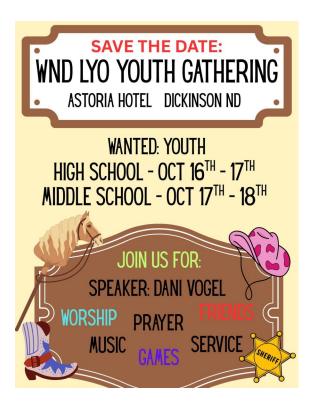
Amen.

SENDING SONG "Step By Step" On screen CCLI #696994

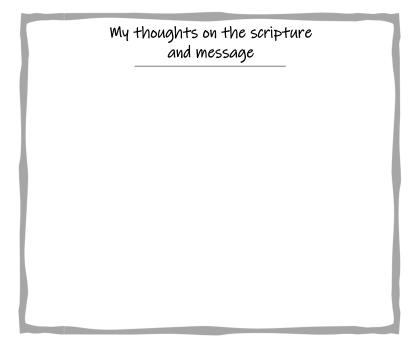
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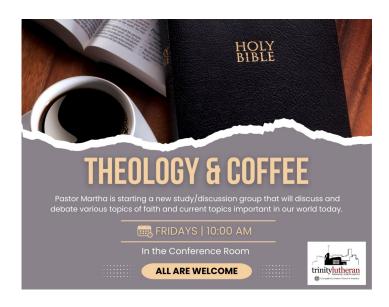
Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

WE EXTEND OUR CONGREGATION'S SYMPATHY to the families of:

- Leona Ziegler, mother of Rich Greff.
- Elizabeth Miskella, mother of Jane Clayburgh.

Please keep their families in your prayers.

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Ted & Ruth Grimsrud. Given by their children, Phyllis, Dave & George.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in honor of Steve & Karen Helgeson's 50th Wedding Anniversary (Sept. 12th).

MEDIA CENTER HELPERS - *You are needed!* We are looking for several more people to help with our media center. Today, following services Colleen Peterson will stick around to allow people to see the equipment. Please consider stopping by the Tech Table immediately after worship.

"OUT OF THE DARKNESS" WALK - Join the Trinity Lutheran Team, "Into the Light" in walking the Out of the Darkness event to spread awareness and support to those who have been impacted and affected by suicide. You can donate today or up until the day of the walk on September 14th. You're support is greatly appreciated.

MEN'S GROUP - This group will start back up on Saturday, September 20th @ 8 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP - We have started a Coffee Fellowship centered around coffee and conversation. If you are free around 10 am, we invite you to join us for about 20 minutes. Feel free to come a little early or relax and stay a bit longer. We are meeting Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday mornings during September. Please stop by and have a cup of coffee and a conversation.

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!









THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Wednesday 9-10

2:30 PM - Upstairs Bible Study in Room 212

5:15 PM - Meal served in Fellowship Hall

6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary

6:40 PM - Church School, Youth Group, Confirmation Thursday 9-11

9 AM - Lend a Hand in the Break Room

6:15 PM - Executive Committee in Conference Room

Friday 9-12

10 AM - Theology & Coffee in Conf. Room

Sunday 9-14

8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary

9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary

2 PM - Out of Darkness Walk at The Capitol

Tuesday 9-16

9 AM - Quilters in Quilters' Room

10 AM - Coffee Fellowship in Community Center Wednesday 9-17

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