

**WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**SUNDAY, October 13, 2024**

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Divine Service 10:15 AM

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE  
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost  
DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR**

✠ INDICATES TO STAND

**HYMN OF INVOCATION** ..... PAGE 788

**“FORGIVE US, LORD, FOR SHALLOW THANKFULNESS” VERSES 1--4**

✠ **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** ..... PAGE 203

✠ **SERVICE OF THE WORD** ..... PAGE 204

✠ **PSALM 90:12-17; antiphon: verse 1**

Pastor: <sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days

**People: that we may get a heart of wisdom.**

Pastor: <sup>13</sup>Return, O LORD! How long?

**People: Have pity on Your servants!**

Pastor: <sup>14</sup>Satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love,

**People: that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

Pastor: <sup>15</sup>Make us glad for as many days as You have afflicted us,

**People: and for as many years as we have seen evil.**

Pastor: <sup>16</sup>Let Your work be shown to Your servants,

**People: and Your glorious power to their children.**

Pastor: <sup>17</sup>Let the favor of the LORD our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us;

**People: yes, establish the work of our hands!**

**ALL: 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.**

Pastor: <sup>1</sup>Lord, You have been our dwelling place

**People: in all generations.**

✠ **KYRIE** ..... PAGE 204

✠ **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** ..... PAGE 204

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

**ALL: Lord Jesus Christ, Whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING -- AMOS 5:6-7, 10-15**

Reader: The Old Testament reading for the twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost is from the fifth chapter of Amos.

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live, lest He break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, <sup>7</sup>O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . .<sup>10</sup>They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth. <sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. <sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate. <sup>13</sup>Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time. <sup>14</sup>Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said. <sup>15</sup>Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL** (*Psalm 91:11; 103:1*)

Pastor: He will command His angels concerning you

**People: to guard you in all your ways.**

Pastor: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

**People: and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

**THE EPISTLE -- HEBREWS 3:12-19**

Reader: The Epistle reading is from the third chapter of Hebrews.

<sup>12</sup>Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. <sup>13</sup>But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup>For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. <sup>15</sup>As it is said, “Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.” <sup>16</sup>For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? <sup>17</sup>And with whom was He provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? <sup>18</sup>And to whom did He swear that they would not enter His rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup>So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

✠ **ALLELUIA AND VERSE** ..... *PAGE 205*

**✠THE HOLY GOSPEL -- MARK 10:17-22**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark tenth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” <sup>21</sup>And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

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**HYMN OF THE DAY** ..... *PAGE 694*

**“THEE WILL I LOVE, MY STRENGTH, MY TOWER” VERSES 1--4**

**THE SERMON “HARDENED HEARTS”**

**OFFERING**

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**“O, HOW GREAT IS YOUR COMPASSION” VERSES 1--4**

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**NEXT WEEK’S TEXTS:** Psalm 119:9-16; Ecclesiastes 5:10-20; Hebrews 4:1-13; Mark 10:23-31

**NEXT WEEK:** Why do you need rest?

**THIS WEEK’S READINGS: Job 15--31**

1. What do you see in Job’s response to his “friends” that strengthens you in your world of challenges?
2. Even though Job’s friends had some advice and judged Job, how did the Lord, in the end, have them show their wrongness, their folly?

## LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

**Oct. 13 – Hebrews 3:18–19** – “And to whom did He swear that they would not enter His rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.” Unbelief leads to disobedience — that is, every sin expresses the opposite of faith. True and living faith guides us into the Lord’s way and the Lord’s plan. And when we fall into sin, it’s because we are not trusting the Lord’s goodness and provision.

### LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

**October 13** - “To God, all life is sacred because He created it. With their faith, the great multitude will stand before the Lamb on Judgment Day, just as we will. So, to us who follow Jesus, we must continue to uphold the sanctity of life for each person, no matter the nation, language, or their political stance.” *Diane Albers, President of Lutherans For Life* – **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)**

### LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

**October 13 – Pentecost XXI** – Even in Christian congregations, some promote death as a solution. Sin’s deceit has hardened hearts (Hebrews 3:12-13). But Jesus loved the rich young man enough to welcome him with truth and love (Mark 10:21). Let us not keep His courage and compassion to ourselves. We can warn neighbors about abortion and euthanasia. We can win them over with the sanctity of every human life!

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## ***T H I S   W E E K***

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 THROUGH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M. After worship	<b>Christian Education Hour</b> <b>Divine Worship</b> “The Chosen” – Fellowship Hall
MONDAY		Columbus Day
TUESDAY	9:30 A.M.	Ruth Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	9:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.	Men’s Bible Study TOPS
THURSDAY	9:00 A.M.	Quilters
SATURDAY	8:30 A.M.	2024 Christian Culture Conference
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M.	<b>Christian Education Hour</b> <b>Divine Worship/Communion</b> <b>Mission Sunday-LCMS Disaster Response</b>

### ALTAR FLOWERS

*The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by Larry & Beverly Van Duyn in honor of their 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ELECTRONIC SIGN:** If you have noticed, preparations are being made for a new, electronic sign. You may have asked yourselves what will the sign have on it. If you have a one liner (pertaining to the Bible and life) or some such phrase or statement, give them to me so that we can get them on the sign if they work. Pastor

**TRINITY'S OKTOBERFEST IS COMING!** The Board of Education is hosting OktoberFest on Sunday, October 27th at 4:00pm. Brats will be provided, please bring a side dish to share. A Pie/Dessert Auction will finish off the evening in a fun, sweet way.

**PIES/DESSERTS WANTED!** To help make the Pie/Dessert Auction successful, the Board of Education is asking for donations of homemade Pies/Desserts to be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Dust off your mixer and help raise money for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Sudan/South Sudan!

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** We are continuing our study of Numbers on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and Revelation on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Tune into Concord Matters this Saturday (10/19 at 11:00 a.m. CT) for a discussion on the invocation of saints. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfue.org or on the KFUE Radio app!

**TRACT OF THE MONTH: A Simple Explanation of The Bible:** "From Genesis to Revelation, the Bible tells the epic story of God's perfect creation, mankind's fall into sin, and God's plan to save humanity and restore creation through His Son. This booklet briefly explains the two main parts of the Bible – the Old and New Testaments – and the themes of each of the Bible's sixty-six books". This nifty booklet is perfect to give to someone that has no knowledge of the Bible. It is also a great source to pinpoint subjects you may be searching for in the Bible.

**THE MISSION FOR September & October is LCMS Disaster Response:** The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod's disaster response ministry responds to immediate and long-term needs following natural and man-made disasters, working through LCMS districts and congregations, international Lutheran churches, and other partners to respond with Christian care to needs within the church and the church communities.

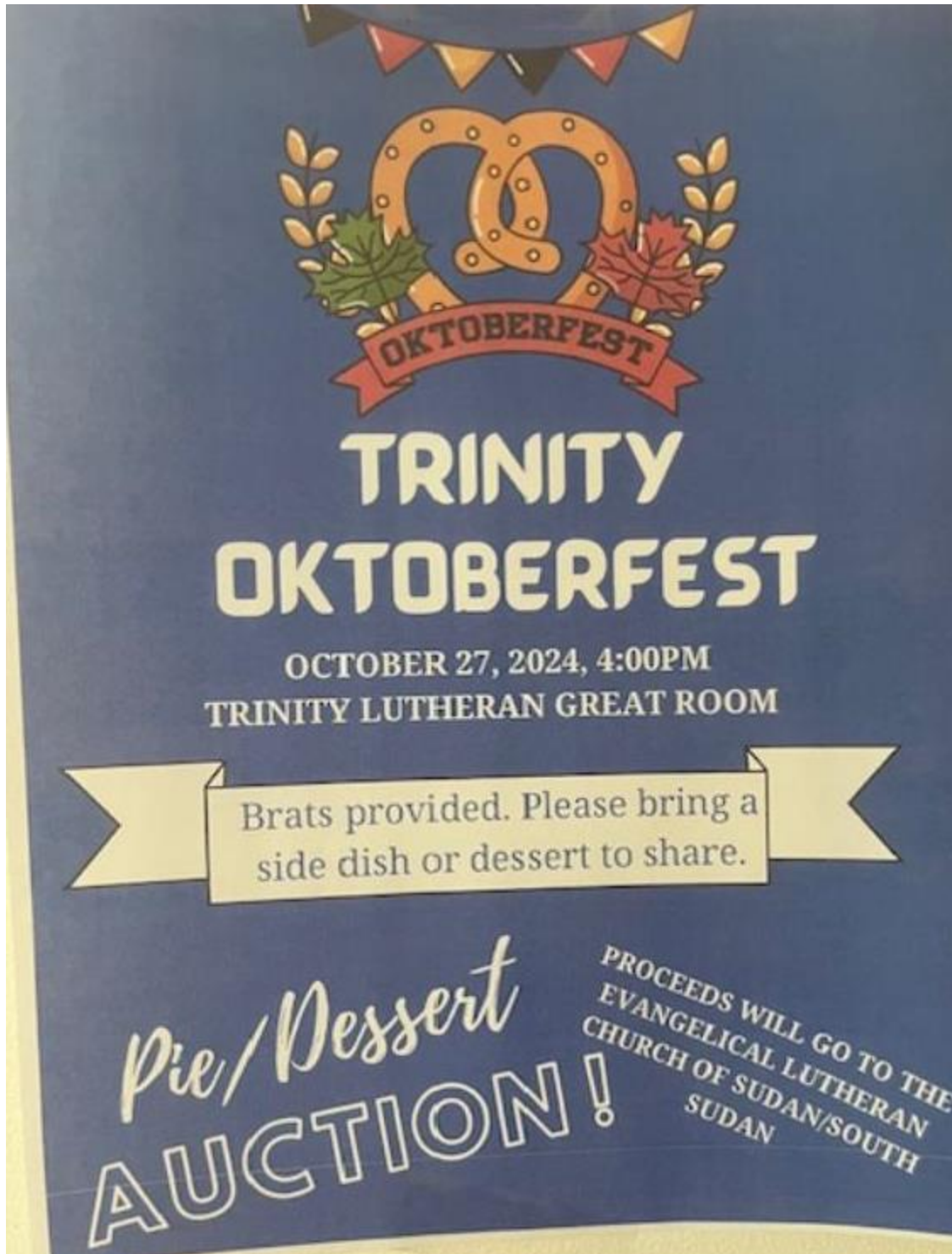
### **“CHRISTIAN CULTURE CONFERENCE**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup> -- 8:30 AM**

**THIS MONTH!!!** On Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup>, the Evangelism Committee will be sponsoring the Luther Classical College “Christian Culture Conference”! The conference will start at 8:30am in our great room. We will provide a continental breakfast, snacks, and lunch. Topics included are: *Wokism & Post-Christian America*, *The Lutheran Family: Past and Future*, *Necessary Masculinity in Post-Christian America*, *Campus Free Speech is not Enough*, and *Tyranny's Assault on the Family: Church & State in Post-Christian America*. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board. Please sign up so that we know how many to plan for.

Rev. Dr. Peter Scaer from Concordia Seminary in Ft. Wayne Indiana will speak on *Wokism and Post-Christian America* where you will learn about terms such as Wokism, DEI, CRT, and other such terms and how they have infiltrated or seek to infiltrate the Church. Come and become informed as you learn of these terms as you seek to counteract their infiltration into your everyday lives.

**NOTE:** We have been blessed with the 1<sup>st</sup> amendment to the constitution which protects our free speech. We see it being challenged on many college campuses and other educational institutions. Is there a way to run a college where this and other issues we may not see as helpful are in a sense, overruled?



**BACKPACK MINISTRY**

We are collecting food items for the Love INC Backpack Ministry for the Tularosa schools. Please leave your

donations in the tub in the south hallway. A list of items needed is posted above the tub. You may make a monetary donation if you prefer. Contact me at 575-214-9942 if you have any questions. Thank you for your support. Cheryl Richey.

**Back Pack Food Suggestions**

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| Small boxes of Cereal | Cereal Bars             |
| Fruit cups            | Shelf stable milk boxes |
| Cheese Crackers       | Small bags of Chips     |
| Soups or stews        | Tuna or Chickens salads |
| Juice Boxes           | Fresh Fruits            |

**Other suggestions are welcomed and appreciated!**

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**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE**

**SUNDAY, OCT. 6, 2024: WORSHIPPED: COMMUNED: 62 ONLINE:**

**SUNDAY, OCT. 6, 2024, GENERAL FUND: \$6,796.00**

**DOLLAR PROJECT-YSLETA BACKPACKS: \$6.00**

**FLOWERS: \$72.00**

**LCMS DISASTER FUND: \$75.00**

**MEMORIAL FUND-DARLENE OBERLING: \$40.00**

**ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**MUSIC:** Cyndi Heithold

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| <b>HOSTS:</b> Margaret & Becky Worley       | <b>ELDER:</b> Robert Rentschler |
| <b>ALTAR GUILD:</b> Robin Haymes            | <b>TELLERS:</b> Dick Dommers    |
| Vicki Leonard                               | Merry Zumwalt                   |
| <b>ATTENDANCE:</b> Bob Klose                | <b>SOUND TECH:</b> Jim Kline    |
| <b>USHERS:</b> Susan Kelly, Norbert Sanchez |                                 |
| Glen & Chris Schlehuser                     |                                 |
| <b>1ST LESSON:</b> Hannah Keeler            | <b>2ND LESSON:</b> Gerald Moore |

**ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**MUSIC:** Lola Ableidinger

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| <b>HOSTS:</b> Matt & Cindi Anderson         | <b>ELDER:</b> Jim Wilkes         |
| <b>ALTAR GUILD:</b> Robin Haymes            | <b>TELLERS:</b> Linde Van Cleave |
| Vicki Leonard                               | Cheryl Sandenaw                  |
| <b>ATTENDANCE:</b> Bob Klose                | <b>SOUND TECH:</b> Vicki Leonard |
| <b>USHERS:</b> Robert Johnson, Trey Johnson |                                  |
| Bob Thede, Tammy Thede                      |                                  |
| <b>1ST LESSON:</b> Susan Kelly              | <b>2ND LESSON:</b> Ruth Wilkes   |

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

**Darrell & Sheila Anderson**, Brianna Bickham, Darren Belcher, Donna Belcher, Jerimiah Carr, Ellen Clark, Colby Alexandra Clark, Douglas Clark, **Pastor Kevin & Lisa Cramm**, Donna & Billie Crawford, Toni Cullen, Gari Ann Gage, **Darlene Gilmore**, Bob Hilborn, Donna Holiday, Veronica Holman, Scout Hughes, Jim Johnson, Michelle Luevano, Betsy Miller, Damian Orchard, Chad Parks, Logan Radford, Connie Rogers, Laura Salazar, Jessica Schroeder, Judy Smith, Pastor Terry & Debbie Small, Rick Sotak, Roger Strom, Sarah Van Dorn, Joel Van Duyn, Ann Waghorn, Hannah Weathers, Betty Wilkes, Karen Zinn, Martyrs for the faith, Our Nation's Leaders, Public Safety Personnel, Australian Lutheran Church

*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**, Ryan Hobson, Caleb Jaecks, Daniel Smelser, Bryant Roeske, Kyle Steeby, Tanner Wedd, and all troops serving in harms way

**LEST WE FORGET**

**PRAISES AND THANKSGIVING**

**FOR OUR HOMEBOUND**

**Kay Burger, Lothar Butzkies, Frank & Shirley Enyeart, Rodney Greer, Shirley Hill, Colleen Sandenaw, 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.