

**WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**SUNDAY, August 25, 2024**

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Divine Service 10:15 AM

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE  
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR**

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“CREATOR OF THE STARS OF NIGHT” (STAND ON LAST VERSE)

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✠ PSALM 14

Pastor: <sup>1</sup>The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.”

People: **They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds, there is none who does good.**

Pastor: <sup>2</sup>The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man,

People: **to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.**

Pastor: <sup>3</sup>They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt;

People: **there is none who does good, not even one.**

Pastor: <sup>4</sup>Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers

People: **who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the LORD?**

Pastor: <sup>5</sup>There they are in great terror,

People: **for God is with the generation of the righteous.**

Pastor: <sup>6</sup>You would shame the plans of the poor,

People: **but the LORD is his refuge.**

Pastor: <sup>7</sup>Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!

People: **When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.**

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.**

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

**ALL: Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### OLD TESTAMENT READING -- ISAIAH 29:11-19

Reader: The Old Testament reading for the fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from the twenty-ninth chapter of Isaiah.

<sup>11</sup>And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." <sup>12</sup>And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read." <sup>13</sup>And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor Me with their lips, while their hearts are far from Me, and their fear of Me is a commandment taught by men, <sup>14</sup>therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden." <sup>15</sup>Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?" <sup>16</sup>You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, "He did not make me"; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"? <sup>17</sup>Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? <sup>18</sup>In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. <sup>19</sup>The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*)

Pastor: Fear the LORD you His saints

**People: for those who fear Him lack nothing!**

Pastor: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

**People: but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

### THE EPISTLE -- EPHESIANS 5:22-33

Reader: The Epistle reading is from the fifth chapter of Ephesians.

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, His body, and is Himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup>Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. <sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup>so that He might present the church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup>In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup>For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup>because we are members of His body. <sup>31</sup>"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." <sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it

refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup>However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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**✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL -- MARK 7:1-13**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the seventh chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup> When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>they saw that some of His disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, <sup>4</sup>and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) <sup>5</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes asked Him, “Why do Your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” <sup>6</sup>And He said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, “‘This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me; <sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ <sup>8</sup>You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.” <sup>9</sup>And He said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! <sup>10</sup>For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ <sup>11</sup>But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban’ (that is, given to God)— <sup>12</sup>then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, <sup>13</sup>thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord

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

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**“GRACIOUS SAVIOR, GRANT YOUR BLESSING”** (STAND ON LAST VERSE)

THE SERMON “LOVE AND RESPECT”

OFFERING

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**“OH, BLEST THE HOUSE”**

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**NEXT WEEK'S TEXTS:** Psalm 14; Isaiah 29:11-19; Ephesians 5:22-33; Mark 7:1-13  
**NEXT WEEK:** We know the devil is after us so how are we to stand up under his attacks?

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**THIS WEEK'S READINGS: 2 Chronicles 1--12**

1. Solomon asked for a specific thing from God. If you were to ask the Lord for anything, what would it be?
2. What from the scriptures gives you a clue as to why Rehoboam fell away from the Lord and can you think of how this same clue might fit with people today/

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**LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY**

**August 25 – Trinity 14 - Luke 10:25** – “And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, ‘Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?’” That’s just not a good question! Doing and inheriting just don’t go together: what can you do to inherit the English throne? Nothing. Inheriting is about birth right; doing is about merit. We receive eternal life by birth right in our Baptism into Christ.

**LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE**

**August 25** - “We live in the presence of evil. Some of it is twisted to sound good. We hear of ‘the compassionate relief of suffering’ or ‘death with dignity’ or ‘right to health care’ or ‘simple medical procedure.’ You know many more. God calls us to confront these with His truth, to reveal the evil behind them. God calls us to educate fellow Christians in His truth so they do not end up ‘possessed’ by this way of thinking. God calls us to call evil what it is, but also to share the truth of what God has done about evil. For that we fix our gaze upon Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). He speaks to us through His Word of truth and grace.” *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR**

**August 25 – Pentecost XIV** - The Gospel of Jesus Christ liberates us from living for ourselves alone. We reside in the hands of Almighty God like clay and potter (Isaiah 29:16). So we don’t have to settle for “my body, my choice.” Instead, we get to benefit from Him deciding life and death on our behalf. May our marriages and parenting replicate the magnificent way Christ and Church abandon themselves to one another (Ephesians 5:22-23).

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***T H I S W E E K***

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25 THROUGH SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	<b>Christian Education Hour</b>
	10:15 A.M.	<b>Divine Worship</b>
TUESDAY	9:30 A.M.	<b>Mission Sunday- LCMS Seminary Fund</b>
WEDNESDAY	9:00 A.M.	<i>Ruth Bible Study</i>
	10:30 A.M.	<i>Men’s Bible Study</i>
	2:00 P.M.	TOPS
SUNDAY	9:00 A.M.	<i>Sunset Years Devotion – Betty Dare</i>
	10:15 A.M.	<b>Christian Education Hour</b>
		<b>Divine Worship/Communion</b>

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

*The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by Ray & Sandy Krueger in thanks to God for all of their family's blessings and by Pastor Kevin & Lisa Cramm for continued prayers for them both.*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEMORIAL SERVICE:** The memorial service for Darlene Oberling will be next Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 a.m. It will be followed by a luncheon after the service.

**LWML RALLY:** Ladies of Trinity, the Rio Grande Zone LWML Fall Rally will be held at Trinity this year on Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. Please join us for fellowship and devotions. We are doing a collection for Pregnancy Resources Plus. There are wish lists of items they need on the bulletin board and there will be a table in the great room to put the items on.

**EGGS:** The Dommers' are going to be bringing eggs on Sunday for anyone to take. The only thing is that they ask that the cartons be returned to them when empty. The eggs are on the table in the narthex. **When you return the egg cartons, please place them in the plastic bin in the Sunday School office.**

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** Begin studying Psalm 119 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), begin studying Amos on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and continue hearing stories on KFUE Radio's 100-year history on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfue.org and the KFUE Radio app! Find more about our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration at kfue.org/100.

**TRACT OF THE MONTH: A Simple Explanation of World Religions** – Trusting in Jesus as Lord and Savior, Christians can confidently speak to others about their religious beliefs, understanding the differences while joyfully sharing Jesus' message of salvation for all people. The first step to meaningful conversation is understanding the different worldviews. This guide focuses on the major religions and philosophies of the world that differ from Christianity – Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Confucianism, Daoism, Judaism, and Islam – and offers a Christian response to aid in your conversations with others.

**THE MISSION FOR JULY & AUGUST** is the LCMS Joint Seminary Fund which was established to supplement the Synod subsidy by directly soliciting the church for charitable donations. Gifts to the LCMS Joint Seminary Fund are restricted exclusively to supporting both of our world-class seminaries. Our LCMS seminaries have only three sources of operating revenue: 1) Investment income from endowment, 2) Tuition paid by students after financial aid is awarded (often in the form of student loans), & 3) Financial gifts graciously supplied by God's people.

## HARVEST TIME

Ready, Set, Go!

Ladies of Trintiy come see what LWML is all about! Join us for our LWML Rio Grande Zone Fall Rally on September 7<sup>th</sup> here at Trinity at 9:30 a.m. Rally begins at 10:00 a.m. A continental breakfast will be served. Enjoy a time of devotion and learning more about The Pregnancy Center of Alamogordo and the services they provide.

We hope to see all of you for a time of sharing God's blessings, grace and mercy!

We will be collecting donations for The Pregnancy Resources Plus Center.

Below is a list of baby item needed:

- Wipes
- Laundry detergent
- Wrap carrier
- Bath towels
- Sun hats
- Nail clippers
- Potty chairs
- Crib sheets
- Bassinet sheets
- Cribs
- Baby monitors
- Thermometers
- Safety plugs
- Girl's clothing 12-24 months
- Boy's clothing 12-24 months

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024: WORSHIPPED: 68 COMMUNED: 62 ONLINE: 3**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024, GENERAL FUND: NOT AVAILABLE**

**ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**MUSIC:** Lola Ableidinger

<b>HOSTS:</b>	Rick & Nora Sotak	<b>ELDER:</b>	Jim Wilkes
<b>ALTAR GUILD:</b>	Sheila Anderson Wilma Jaecks	<b>TELLERS:</b>	Dick Dommers Merry Zumwalt
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Diane Kline	<b>SOUND TECH:</b>	Vicki Leonard
<b>USHERS:</b>	Gerald Moore, Irvin Torres Bob & Sandy Klose		
<b>1ST LESSON:</b>	Sandy Klose	<b>2ND LESSON:</b>	Bob Klose

**ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

**MUSIC:** Cyndi Heithold

<b>HOSTS:</b>		<b>ELDER:</b>	Matt Anderson
<b>ALTAR GUILD:</b>	Sheila Anderson Wilma Jaecks	<b>TELLERS:</b>	Linde Van Cleave Cheryl Sandenaw
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Merry Zumwalt	<b>SOUND TECH:</b>	Bob Klose
<b>USHERS:</b>	Tom Blackmon, Jim Fladhammer Larry & Beverly Van Duyn		
<b>1ST LESSON:</b>	Yvonne Steeby	<b>2ND LESSON:</b>	Matt Clark

## **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, **Pastor Kevin & Lisa Cramm**, Donna & Billie Crawford, Toni Cullen, Frank & **Shirley Enyeart**, Gari Ann Gage, **Darlene Gilmore**, Bob Hilborn, Donna Holiday, Scout Hughes, Jim Johnson, Renee' Lambert, Michelle Luevano, **Gerald Moore, Evelyn Omey**, Damian Orchard, Chad Parks, Logan Radford, Randy Rentschler, Connie Rogers, Carl Rooker, Jon Scarborough, Jessica Schroeder, Judy Smith, Pastor Terry & Debbie Small, Rick Sotak, **Irvin Torres**, Sarah Van Dorn, Joel Van Duyn, Ann Waghorn, Betty Wilkes, Margaret Worley, 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**, Alexzander Hoffpauir, Caleb Jaecks, Daniel Smelser, Bryant Roeske, Kyle Steeby, Anthony Uttke, Tanner Wedd, and all troops serving in harms way

### **LEST WE FORGET**

Family & friends of Betty Jo Dunn  
Family & friends of Daniel Schwebke

### **PRAISES AND THANKSGIVING**

#### **FOR OUR HOMEBOUND**

**Kay Burger, Lothar Butzkies, 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.