

# Trinity Lutheran Church

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*Proclaiming, Teaching and Living the Gospel of Christ!*



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**IN THE**

PARK

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*Pentecost Sunday*

**June 8, 2025~10:30am ~Service in the Park**

# Welcome, children of our Heavenly Father!



***In our prayers:*** Judy Bankey (*friend of Deb & Kim Weerts*), Evelyn Bauer, Missy Behrends (*cousin of Deb Chmielowiec*), Doris Benjamin (*mother of Jane*), Lois Brenneisen, Sarah C. (*requested by a friend of Sharon Dummer*), Laura Chabowski (*sister-in-law of Diane Hart*), Benny Cruse (*grandson of Donna Ohrt*), Andrea Dewez (*friend of Sharon Dummer*), JoAnn Dickman, Violetta Donovan, Richard Hall (*nephew of Sharon Dummer*), Paul Johnson, Jeff & Jamie Jones (*friends of Kamber Johnston*), David Jubin, Tiffany Jubin (*close friends of Emma Kruse*), Frances Kilgo (*extended family of the Hart/Shute families*), Gerald Kroesch, Don LaChappell, Darcy Lind (*friend of Norma Bell*), Bonnie Matherly, Mary Mau, Donna Ohrt, Marilyn Ohrt (*friend of Deb Chmielowiec*), Caleb Outerbridge, Brian Plenert (*son-in-law of Don & Joanne LaChappell*), Melissa Plugge (*friend of Tina Varvel*), Val Smith (*friend of Rachel Taube*), Ron Talmadge (*friend of Joe Hart*), Chris Tanner (*nephew of Nancy Varboncoeur*), Willy Van Wassenhove, Jason Warpet (*cousin of Deb Chmielowiec*), and Lorraine Whitwell.

*For all those that our Savior knows are in need, and those we name privately before our Lord.*

## Versicles

- L** O Lord, open my lips,
- C** and my mouth shall declare Your praise.
- C** 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.
- C** Alleluia, alleluia.

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## Antiphon

- L** Give glory to God, our light and our life.
- C** O come, let us worship Him.

## Venite

- L** O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
- C** Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
- L** For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods.
- C** In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also.

- L** The sea is His, for He made it; and His hand formed the dry land.  
**C** **O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.**  
**L** For He is our God,  
**C** **and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.**  
**C** **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.**

### Antiphon

- L** Give glory to God, our light and our life.  
**C** **O come, let us worship Him.**

**Psalm** (*Spoken responsively ½ verse by ½ verse*)

*Psalm 143; antiphon: v. 11*

- <sup>1</sup>Hear my prayer, O LORD;  
 give ear to my pleas for mercy!  
**In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!**

- <sup>2</sup>Enter not into judgment with your servant,  
**for no one living is righteous before you.**

- <sup>3</sup>For the enemy has pursued my soul;  
 he has crushed my life to the ground;  
**he has made me sit in darkness like those long dead.**

- <sup>4</sup>Therefore my spirit faints within me;  
**my heart within me is appalled.**

- <sup>5</sup>I remember the days of old;  
 I meditate on all that you have done;  
**I ponder the work of your hands.**

- <sup>6</sup>I stretch out my hands to you;  
**my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.**

- <sup>7</sup>Answer me quickly, O LORD!  
 My spirit fails!  
**Hide not your face from me,**  
**lest I be like those who go down to the pit.**

- <sup>8</sup>Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,  
 for in you I trust.  
**Make me know the way I should go,**  
**for to you I lift up my soul.**

<sup>9</sup>Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

**I have fled to you for refuge!**

<sup>10</sup>Teach me to do your will,  
for you are my God!

**Let your good Spirit lead me  
on level ground!**

<sup>11</sup>For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

**In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

<sup>12</sup>And in your steadfast love you will cut off my enemies,  
**and you will destroy all the adversaries of my soul,  
for I am your servant.**

**Hymn: Christ Is Our Cornerstone**

*LSB 912*



1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone we build;

2 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we im - plore,

△ 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall ring;



With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His

And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til

Our voic - es we will raise The Three in One to sing And thus



great love Our hopes we place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.

that day When all the blest To end - less rest Are called a - way.

pro - claim In joy - ful song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name.

*Text: Latin, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–76, alt.*

*Tune: John Darwall, 1731–89*

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**+ READINGS +**

**Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis 11:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup>And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there.

<sup>3</sup>And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. <sup>4</sup>Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.”

<sup>5</sup>And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. <sup>6</sup>And the LORD said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” <sup>8</sup>So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. <sup>9</sup>Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

*Acts 2:1–21*

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup>For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>“And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams;

<sup>18</sup>even on my male servants and female servants  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.  
<sup>19</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;  
<sup>20</sup>the sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.  
<sup>21</sup>And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord  
shall be saved.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Children’s VBS Song: Who’s That Calling My Name?

*Lisa M. Clark and David Browning  
Concordia Publishing House*

*Stand*

#### **Holy Gospel**

*John 14:23–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup>Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me.

<sup>25</sup>“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup>You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup>And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. <sup>30</sup>I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, <sup>31</sup>but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

- L** In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.  
**C** But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

Hymn of the Day: Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

LSB 497



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your grac - es  
 2 Come, ho - ly Light, guide di - vine, Now cause the Word of  
 3 Come, ho - ly Fire, com - fort true, Grant us the will Your



now out-poured On each be - liev - er's mind and heart;  
 life to shine. Teach us to know our God a - right  
 work to do And in Your ser - vice to a - bide;



Your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the  
 And call Him Fa - ther with de - light. From ev - 'ry  
 Let tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by Your



bright-ness of Your light In ho - ly faith Your Church u - nite;  
 er - ror keep us free; Let none but Christ our mas - ter be  
 pow'r pre-pare each heart, And to our weak-ness strength im - part



From ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry tongue This to Your  
 That we in liv - ing faith a - bide, In Him, our  
 That brave - ly here we may con - tend, Through life and



praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Lord, with all our might con-fide. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 death to You, our Lord, as-cend. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; (st. 1): German, 15th cent.; (sts. 2-3): Martin Luther, 1483-1546

Tune: Eyn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein, 1524, Erfurt

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**L** Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,  
**C** have mercy and hear us.

**C** 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.

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  $\text{✠}$  everlasting. Amen.

**L** I cry to You, O Lord,  
**C** in the morning my prayer comes before You.

**L** Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,  
**C** and uphold me with a willing spirit.

**L** My mouth is filled with Your praise,  
**C** and with Your glory all the day.

**L** Every day I will bless You  
**C** and praise Your name forever and ever.

**L** By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,  
**C** O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

**L** Bless the Lord, O my soul;  
**C** and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

**L** He redeems your life from the pit  
**C** and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

**L** Hear my prayer, O Lord;  
**C** let my cry come to You.

**L** Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

**L** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**L** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

**C** Amen.

### Hymn to Depart: Almighty Father, Bless the Word

LSB 923

1 Al - might - y Fa - ther, bless the Word Which through Your  
2 We praise You for the means of grace As home - ward  
△ 3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all  
grace we now have heard. Oh, may the pre - cious  
now our steps we trace. Grant, Lord, that we who  
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye  
seed take root, Spring up, and bear a - bun - dant fruit!  
wor - shiped here May all at last in heav'n ap - pear.  
heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

*Text (sts. 1–2): Church Poetry, 1823, Philadelphia, alt.; (st. 3): Thomas Ken, 1637–1711*

*Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois*

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**Common Table Prayer: Come Lord Jesus, be our guest, and let Thy gifts, to us be blessed. Amen.**

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Morning Prayer from Lutheran Service Book

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### *In Response to our Savior's Love*

| <u>Date/Weekend:</u> | <u>Sat.</u> | <u>Sun.</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>Offerings:</u> | <u>Operating</u> | <u>Missions</u> | <u>All Other Funds</u> |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| May 25 <sup>th</sup> | 50          | 67          | 117          |                   | \$4,195.00       | \$ 220.00       | \$ 40.00               |
| June 1 <sup>st</sup> | 56          | 67          | 123          |                   | \$9,651.00       | \$ 390.00       | \$ 3,028.33            |
| Bible Study          | 10          | 22          | 32           |                   |                  |                 |                        |

Average amount needed weekly to meet current Operating expenses \$ 5,800.00

Average amount needed weekly to meet current Mission commitments \$ 692.00

*Complete financial reports are given at Quarterly Voters' Meetings usually held on the third Sundays of January, April, July, and October. **Please contact Diane in the church office if you need to pick up your 2025 envelopes, have offering envelopes issued or wish to be removed from the offering envelope list.***

**LCMS Stewardship Ministry Stewardship Thoughts** June 8 – Day of Pentecost

**Acts 2:1 – “When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.”**

Notice that Pentecost was actually an Old Testament festival. It happened around the time when the wheat and oats were ready to be brought in. In the New Testament, Pentecost foreshadowed the great harvest of humankind that God will bring in through the preaching of His Word. God gives the seed, and God brings about the harvest through the work of His church.

## *Announcements*

**Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Ruth Kruse.

**The Church Picnic** follows the service today. The Board of Education will provide games! Please join us for food, fun & fellowship!

**Summer Sunday School begins at 9:30am next Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** and will run through July 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Summer Sunday School Volunteer Teachers Needed:** Summer Sunday School for Pre-K—8th grade ages will be held from June 15th through July 27th. Anyone willing to volunteer to teach on a Sunday, please contact Heather Thurston, Sunday School Superintendent or any member of the Board of Education. (Laura Peters, Lynne Noffke and Heather Meredith). There will be a sign-up sheet at the picnic for volunteers.

**From The Heathers:** Heartfelt thanks to all that helped in any way with VBS 2025. An *Epic Australian Adventure* was had by all! It truly was *An Unforgettable Journey with Jesus!* Student attendance each day was: Monday 81; Tuesday 84; Wednesday 81;



Thursday 77; Friday 77. Praising God with all the children, older children helpers and adult volunteers was amazing! Offerings of \$1,424.44 along with many needed items will be given to Georgie's Closet along with many cans of food collected for the Herscher Council of Churches food baskets.

***The children were challenged and met the donation goal, resulting in Pastor Brown receiving a pie in his face!!! In fact they more than doubled the goal and he received 2 pies in his face!*** Thank you to the children, families, congregation and friends for your generosity and your support of these missions and our VBS program. May the Lord bless these ministries with your gifts.

**Special thanks to “the Heathers”:** Heather Meredith and Heather Thurston, thank you for all your work directing VBS 2025. We all have been blessed through your service!

**Church Photo Directory:** Photography dates are Monday, June 9th, Tuesday, June 10th and Monday, June 16th from 2:00-8:30pm. ***Check online or sign up on the weekend, there are still some time slots available for church directory pictures!*** Sign up at Trinity on the weekends or sign up



online during the week at: [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) click on the box to the right that says “photography appointment scheduling login”, enter **il418** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. You may also contact Cheryl Brutlag at 815-922-7446 to schedule your session or with any questions.

**LWML Eyeglasses Collection:** Ruth Kruse will be attending the LWML Convention and will be taking eyeglasses with her for the collection. If you have any glasses/cases to donate, please bring them to Trinity by Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. ***Any and all eyewear is accepted.*** There is a basket on the information table in the Parish Hall for your donations. Thank you in advance!

**Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries (RLOM) Baby Shower:** You are invited to attend a Baby Shower for RLOM Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3:30 pm at Risen Savior, Manteno. Some items needed are: Money; Diapers; Gently used maternity clothes; Gently used baby clothes (requested 9 mo. size); Pillows; Personal items for moms; Shampoo; Lotions; Toothpaste; etc. We have been asked to ***NOT*** wrap the gifts. If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the sheet in the Parish Hall. Thank you in advance for your support of RLOM!



**36<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing:** Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> 12:00pm. Shewami Country Club, 1726 N. 2580 East Rd., Sheldon, IL 60966 **Just a few slots still open.** For more information about golfing/sponsorship, visit [www.prairieviewlutheran.com/golf-outing/](http://www.prairieviewlutheran.com/golf-outing/) If you have any questions, contact Jared Lauritson, Dir. Of Marketing and Development, at Prairieview.

### ***This week at Trinity Lutheran Church***

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| Sunday 6/08 | 10:30am     | <b><i>Worship in the Park</i></b><br>Church Picnic follows |
| Monday      | 8:00am      | Devotion on Facebook Live                                  |
|             | 2:00pm      | Service at Villas at Herscher                              |
|             | 2:00-8:30pm | Church Directory Photography                               |
| Tuesday     | 8:00am      | Devotion on Facebook Live                                  |
|             | 2:00-8:30pm | Church Directory Photography                               |
|             | 7:00pm      | Council Meeting  |
| Wednesday   | 8:00am      | Devotion on Facebook Live                                  |
| Thursday    | 8:00am      | Devotion on Facebook Live                                  |
| Friday      |             | Prairieview Golf Outing                                    |
| Saturday    | 4:00pm      | Adult Bible Study  |
|             | 5:00pm      | <b><i>Worship with Holy Communion</i></b>                  |
| Sunday 6/15 | 8:30am      | <b><i>Worship with Holy Communion</i></b>                  |
|             | 9:30am      | Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Study                   |

### ***Serving the Lord Today***

*Pastor: Rev. Eric J. Brown*

*Kantor: Caleb Dehning*

*Elder/Communion:*

*Kevin Kruse (Sat.)  
No Communion (Sun.)  
(Worship in the park)*

*Next Week:*

*Mike Bruner (Sat.)  
John Varvel (Sun.)*

*Usher Captain: Karl Kruse (Sat.)  
Mike Thomas (Sun.)*

*Altar Guild: Heather Meredith & Val Simmons*