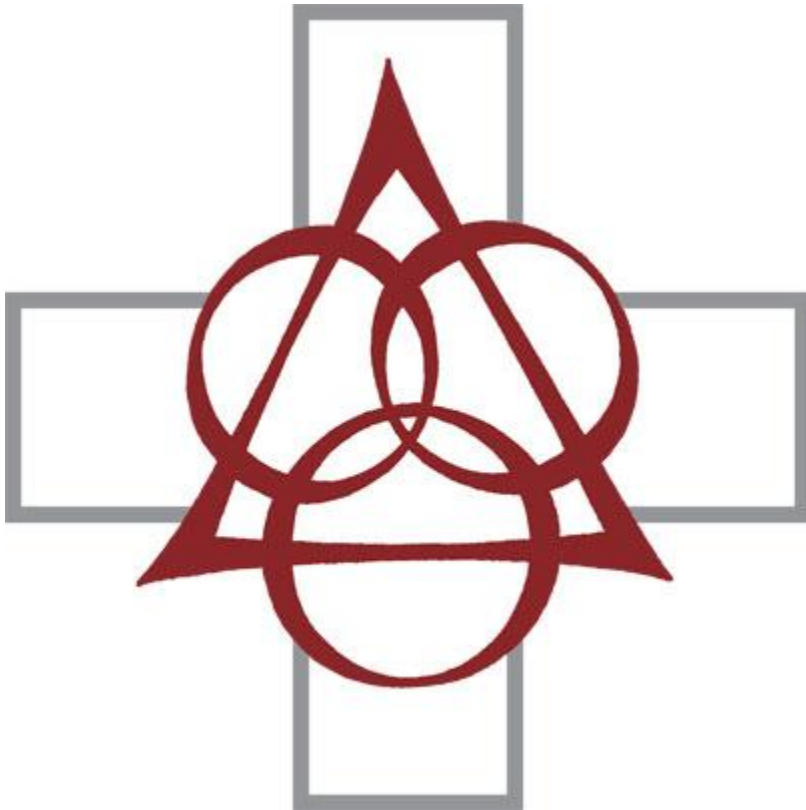


# Trinity Lutheran Church

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



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*The First Sunday after Trinity*

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**June 6 & 7, 2026**



## Welcome, children of our Heavenly Father!

*I Cor.10:16 calls our eating and drinking of the sacramental bread and wine an actual sharing in the body and blood of Christ. As we share this gift of the Savior, we also seek to be faithful to the confession of the Apostles' Doctrine, which Scripture says was shared by those who received the sacrament together. For this reason, **guests** who desire to commune are kindly asked to speak to the pastor or an elder.*



***In our prayers:*** Audrey (*Grandmother of Samantha Dehning*), Evelyn Bauer, Doris Benjamin (*mother of Jane*), Lois Brenneisen, Sarah C. (*requested by a friend of Sharon Dummer*), Sue & John Cornett (*sister and brother-in-law of Joanne LaChappell*), Benny Cruse (*grandson of Donna Ohrt*), Andrea Dewez (*friend of Sharon Dummer*), JoAnn Dickman, Violetta Donovan, Karen & John Eberhardt (*sister and brother-in-law of Barbara Schwark*), Donald Fehrenbacher (*father of Ashley Evans*), Heidi Gallegos (*niece of Gloria Graham*), Rebecca Graham (*mother-in-law of Gloria*), William Graham (*husband of Gloria*), JD Hall, Richard Hall (*nephew of Sharon Dummer*), Scott Horsch (*friend of Jeanette Pfeifer*), Jason (*nephew of Michelle Hinich*), Jeff Jones, Jamie Jones (*friends of Kamber Johnston*), Kellen (*family friend of Ryan & Jessica Kruse*), Peter Kelly (*friend of the Chmielowiec's*), Brent Klockenga (*cousin of Heather Thurston, nephew of Nancy Snedecor*), Michelle Kooy, Gerald Kroesch, Myra Jean Kroll (*close friend of Emma Kruse*), Don LaChappell, Marge (*friend of Norma Bell*), Brandon Malone, Bonnie Matherly, Barbara, Jean, Mary (*daughters of Marianne Mau*), Les Naese (*father-in-law of Brian Malone, Jr.*), Donna Ohrt, Caleb Outerbridge, Jeanette Pfeifer, Brian Plenert (*son-in-law of Don & Joanne LaChappell*), Melissa Plugge (*friend of Tina Varvel*), Kevin Schaumburg, Rodney Schwark, Jason Warpet (*cousin of Deb Chmielowiec*), Lorraine Whitwell, Nicole Windsor (*friend of Rachel Taube*), and Jared Zimmerman (*son-in-law of Douglas & Tammy Gray*).

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

+ **ORDER OF WORSHIP—DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE—LSB 151** +  
+ **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** +

**Hymn of Invocation: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

*LSB 790*

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

**Introit** (*Spoken responsively ½ verse by ½ verse*)      *Psalms 13:1–4; antiphon: vv. 5–6*

[O Lord,] I have trusted in your steadfast love;  
**my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.**

I will sing to the LORD,

**because he has dealt bountifully with me.**

How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?

**How long will you hide your face from me?**

How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day?

**How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?**

Consider and answer me, O LORD my God;

**light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death,**

lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him,"

**lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.**

**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.**

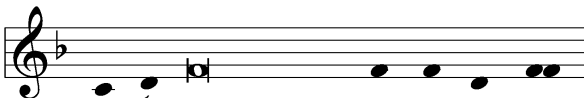
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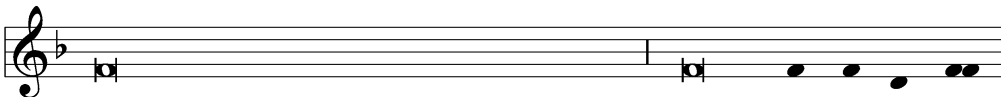
# Kyrie



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



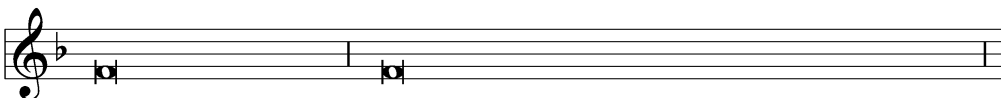
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



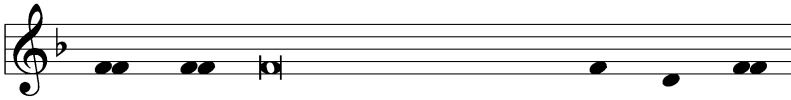
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### This Is the Feast



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.  
 O God, the strength of all who trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing, grant us Your grace to keep Your commandments that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

*Sit*

**Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis 15:1–6*

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” <sup>4</sup>And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” <sup>5</sup>And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall

your offspring be.”<sup>6</sup> And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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

*Psalms 41:4, 1*

I said, “O LORD, be gracious to me;

**heal me, for I have sinned against you!”**

Blessèd is the one who considers the poor!

**In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him.**

**Epistle**

*1 John 4:16–21*

<sup>16</sup>So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. <sup>17</sup>By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. <sup>18</sup>There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. <sup>19</sup>We love because he first loved us. <sup>20</sup>If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. <sup>21</sup>And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse**



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel**

*Luke 16:19–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup>who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup>and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup>And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup>And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup>But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup>And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup>He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

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



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

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day: Praise the Almighty**

*LSB 797*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,





**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

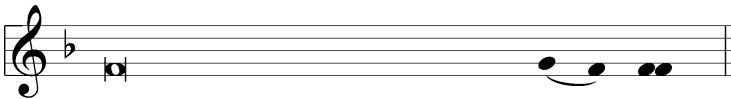
**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

## Agnus Dei



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

**Distribution**

- Distribution Hymn: God Loved the World So That He Gave** *LSB 571*
- Distribution Hymn: Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared** *LSB 622*
- Distribution Hymn: Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior** *LSB 619*

*Stand*

**Thank the Lord**

☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.  
 Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.  
 He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy  
 with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

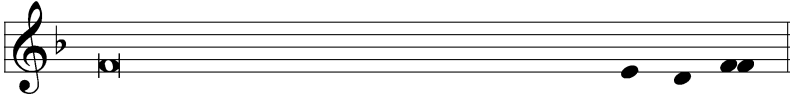
**Post-Communion Collect**

- ☐ Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Benediction



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



## Hymn to Depart: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

*LSB 849*

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

Date/Weekend:	Sat.	Sun.	Total	Offerings:	Operating	Missions	All Other Funds
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	39	62	101		\$ 3,491.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 0.00
May 31 <sup>st</sup>	32	69	101		\$ 5,460.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 305.00
Bible Study	6	11	17				

Average amount needed weekly to meet current Operating expenses \$ 6,030.00

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.*

**LCMS Stewardship Ministry Stewardship Thoughts - June 7th – First Sunday after Trinity Luke 16:19 – “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.”** There is another rich man in this story — Abraham. Obviously, these two men used the gift of riches that God gave them in very different ways. The life and decisions of Abraham flowed from faith; the rich man's life and decisions flowed from disbelief and self-centeredness. Abraham's kindness and generosity reflected his trust in a kind and generous God. And the rich man...well, you saw what happened to him and what god he served.

## *Announcements*

**Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Kim & Deb Weerts on the occasion of their 54<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Offerings** may be placed in the plate on the stand at the back of the sanctuary. *Please contact Diane in the church office if you need to pick up your 2026 envelopes, have offering envelopes issued or wish to be removed from the offering envelope list.*

**Decorating/Set-Up for VBS** will be **this Sunday**, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am.  
*All help is welcome!*

**VBS 2026 will be held June 8-12<sup>th</sup>.** Walk in registration will be available. Please drop off students after 8:20am each day. Staff will not be available until then. We pray God's blessings on our 2026 VBS program. Huge thanks to all our volunteers! We couldn't do it without you!!



**Questions???** Text Heather Meredith at 815-573-1056 or Lynne Noffke at 815-263-0411, Co-Directors of VBS 2026.

**Council Park/Picnic Cleaning & Set Up Day** Council members meet at the park Saturday, June 13th at 9:00am to clean tables etc., and prepare for the service on June 14th.



**Church Service in the Park/Picnic** An outdoor worship service will be held on Sunday, June 14th at 10:30am at the park on the corner of 2nd & Park in Herscher. We plan to have the children sing a favorite song from VBS!



The church picnic will follow. Meat and drinks will be provided, please bring a dish to share and your own table service & utensils.

The Board of Education will provide games! Please join us for worship, food, fun & fellowship!

**Still Needed-Meals on Wheels Delivery Drivers** If you know of anyone who might be interested in helping, please contact Bonnie Matherly at 815-214-0174.

**Online Giving has been activated:** Type in this secure link to access online giving:

<https://onrealm.org/TrinityLutheran76917/give/now>

No login is required. The link also is found on our website ([trinitylutheranherscher.org](http://trinitylutheranherscher.org)), and the Universal Church Photo Directory App. You may also scan

this QR code, or text "TRINITYHERSCHER" to 73256 to give using your mobile device. (This number will never send

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If you have questions relating to Online Giving for Trinity, please feel free to contact Diane in the church office.

**The Church Photo Directory Online App has been launched.** If you have any questions regarding downloading/setting up the app, Cheryl Brutlag, Tammy Gray or Paula Kruse have offered their assistance. If you have any membership changes/updates, please contact Diane Hart in the church office. The church records and the photo directory app will both be updated. Thank you.



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

Sunday 06/07	8:30am	<i><b>Worship with Holy Communion</b></i>
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	VBS Decorating/Set-up
Monday	8:30am	VBS
	3:00pm	<i><b>Worship at Villas at Herscher</b></i>
Tuesday	8:30am	VBS
Wednesday	8:30am	VBS
Thursday	8:30am	VBS
Friday	8:30am	VBS
Saturday	9:00am	Council Clean-Up/Set-Up at Village Park
	4:00pm	Adult Bible Study
	5:00pm	<i><b>Worship with Holy Communion</b></i>
Sunday 06/13	10:30am	<i><b>Worship at Village Park</b></i>
		Church Picnic Follows

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

Pastor: Rev. Eric J. Brown

Kantor: Caleb Dehning

Elder/Communion:

Chris Knobloch (Sat.)

John Varvel (Sun.)

**Next Week:**

Jerry Brutlag (Sat.)

Service in the park/picnic

*(No Communion)*

Usher Captain:

Gerald Kruse (Sat.)

Dan Shute (Sun.)

Altar Guild:

Heather Meredith & Val Simmons