



Welcome to
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The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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WELCOME to all everyone who enters this house of God today to worship their Lord and Savior. In this service, may you find the comfort and strength needed for the varied tasks God has assigned to each of us.

A special welcome is extended to all visitors. We hope you will worship with us again soon.

Each week, **everyone** is asked to fill out the registration card found in the pew rack and hand it to the usher or place it in the basket on the table as you leave.

In the celebration of Holy Communion we joyfully receive the true body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine. Since this is also a sign of our common confession of faith, we welcome to the Lord's Supper all those who are presently confirmed members of congregations of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. If you wish to commune for the first time at St. Paul's, please speak to a Pastor before the service.

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bell

The Order of Worship

LSB – page 151; Divine Service Setting One with Communion

Hymn of Invocation “Come, Thou Almighty King” LSB #905

Invocation *(please remain standing)*

P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Confession

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 confess our sins to God our Father.

All **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.**

Absolution

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

Ps. 51:7, 10-12; antiphon: Ps. 51:2

P Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

C **and cleanse me from my sin!**

P Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
C **wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

P Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C **and renew a right spirit within me.**

P Cast me not away from your presence,
C **and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**

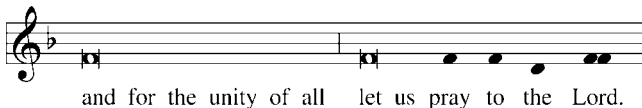
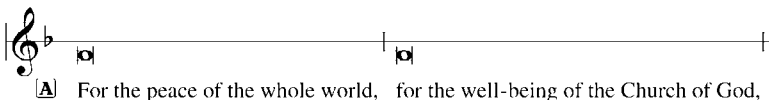
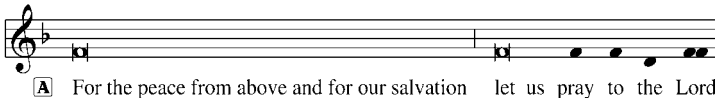
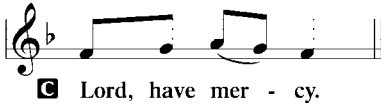
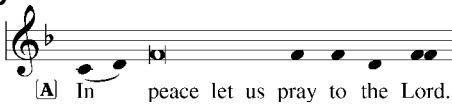
P Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
C **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

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.

P Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
C **and cleanse me from my sin!**

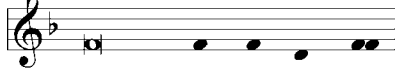
Kyrie

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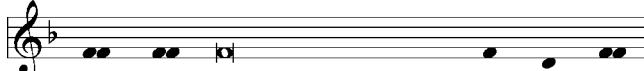
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise ~ This Is the Feast



Refrain

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



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



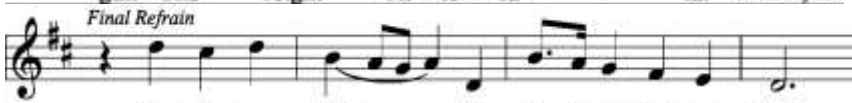
- 1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



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-to-ry for our God.



Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

(be seated)

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

¹“And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ² You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you.

⁶ Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷ For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸ And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹ “Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children—

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹ and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse (*please stand*)

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a square symbol, indicating a new section. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the". The second staff continues the lyrics: "words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The music consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a final double bar line at the end of the second staff.

Holy Gospel

Mark 7:14-23

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord**

¹⁴ And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵ There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." ¹⁷ And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him

about the parable. ¹⁸ And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹ since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰ And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹ For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²² coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³ All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

All 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, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(be seated)

Children’s Message

Sermon

Presentation of the Offering & Offertory

Offertory

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayers of the Church

(After each portion of the prayers)

P Lord, in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs:

Family of Larry Westergren, who passed away this past Wednesday

Carmen O’Brien, having surgery on Wednesday

P Into Your hands, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *(please stand)*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

P Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

All 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 (+) 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 (+) 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 always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei



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.

Distribution *(be seated)*

(All members of our St. Paul’s family are invited to meet the Lord in this Sacrament. When at the table, please indicate your preference of common or individual cup.

The CENTER RING of the individual communion cup tray contains white grape juice. The OUTER RINGS contain red wine. Gluten free wafers are available from a communion assistant.)

Distribution Hymns

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| <i>“Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray”</i> | LSB #623 |
| <i>“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”</i> | LSB #655 |

Thank the Lord *(please stand)*

☐ 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

P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this precious gift, and we ask You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and 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.

C Amen.

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.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn “*Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing*” LSB #924

Silent Prayer

(be seated)

Postlude

“Soli Deo Gloria”

The Participants in our Services

Preacher..... Rev. Andrew Noble
Liturgist..... Rev. Alan Kornacki
Organist..... Jennifer Egel

8:00 a.m.

Usher Team #3..... Greg Jobe, Capt., Gary Bruce,
Jan Doellinger, Al Groff, Micah Nord
Acolyte Everett Spielman
Lector Kay Weaver
Communion Assistant..... Dennis Egel
Greeters Harlan & Helen Hartman

10:30 a.m.

Usher Team #4..... Dan Zillman, Capt., Dave Hanneman,
Jerry Kuepker, Dell Lawrence
Acolyte Bentley Leefers-Wolrab
Lector Dave Brown
Communion Assistant..... Gary Bruce
Greeters Mike & Jan Stenzel

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Your St. Paul's Staff

Rev. Andrew Noble, Senior Pastor
Rev. Alan Kornacki, Associate Pastor
Carmen O'Brien, Administrative Assistant
Fanchon Crane, Music, Choir and Chime Director
Marilyn Mark, Choir Accompanist



Archbishop Joseph Omolo of the Lutheran Church of Kenya, will give a presentation at St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel in Iowa City on Friday, September 6, at 6:30 PM. His presentation will focus on "Hope for the Destitute," a nonprofit organization in Kisumu, Kenya that provides

educational support for orphaned children and shelter for needy widows. Many children are orphaned as a result of the high prevalence of HIV and AIDS in this country and are left in the care of elderly relatives who have no source of income. Education is not free in Kenya, and many students are unable to access it, leading to unemployment and a continual chain of poverty within their families. Hope for the Destitute ensures that orphaned children can access education as well as be nurtured spiritually in Lutheran teachings and devotions. You can access the website here - <https://www.hftdestitute.org/> An offering for Hope for the Destitute will be taken.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, September 1-Sunday, September 8, 2024

Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:30 a.m.	Worship with Communion
Mon.	-	Labor Day – Office Closed
	8:30 a.m.	Fin Rec #3
	9:30 a.m.	Bunco
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class @ Breakfast Barn
	6:30 p.m.	Church Council
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	Lydia Circle
	6:00 p.m.	CREW
Thurs.	1:00 p.m.	Community Concerns
	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Facilitator Groups
Fri.	-	Office Closed
	7:30 a.m.	Bible Class @ Breakfast Barn
	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
Sat.	10:00 a.m.	Baby (girl) Shower for Emily Schlueter
	2:30 p.m.	Funeral Service for Larry Westergren
Sun.		<i>Rally Sunday</i>
	8:00 a.m.	Worship
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	1:30 p.m.	General Assembly



Again, you are invited to attend “**LCRL’s Champions Academy**”, the first of ten monthly sessions, 6:30-8:30 pm on Thursday, September 5 at the home of Tim & Julia Bickel, 1720 – 3rd Ave SE, Cedar Rapids. This non-partisan educational event is sponsored by the local *2 Kingdom Citizens*

of King of Kings LC and is connected with the LCMS *Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty*, dedicated to protect religious freedoms of life, marriage, family and education. See lcrifreedom.org. Contact Tim/Julia if interested. 319 364-4419. (Note: This corrects the erroneous course title in last week’s bulletin).



St. Paul's Family Market September 8th
Rhubarb jam, pickle relish and many, many loaves
of bread (zucchini, banana, pumpkin)



Pastor Doellinger's Bible Classes will resume this month. We will meet on Tuesday and Friday mornings at the Breakfast Barn which is located at 3980 Center Point Road.

Our Tuesday class, which meets at 9:00 AM, will study the lessons that are scheduled to be read in our worship service on the upcoming Sunday. This will help us to better prepare for our Sunday worship.

On Fridays, we will meet at 7:30 (note later time) also at the Breakfast Barn, to continue our study of Matthew's Gospel.

We hope you can join us for one or both of our studies this year. Our Tuesday class begins Sept. 3rd and our Friday class on Sept. 6th.



Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Psalm 95:1

It's that time of year again! Soon, our services will be enhanced with beautiful music!

Choir Rehearsal will begin on Wednesday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m. and will continue each Wednesday.

Chime Choir practice will begin on Thursday, September 12th at 6:30 p.m. and will continue each Thursday.

If you would be interested in adding your talents to one or both of these choirs, we'd love to have you join us!



Fresh Start Ministries Information
Anyone wanting additional information regarding the Fresh Start Ministries' presentation at 55 and Growing Tuesday, they can find these pamphlets plus contact information in the narthex.



Please attend the General Assembly meeting on September 8th at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. In addition to the normal meeting business, a special item is the Election of officers for 2025. Please come to assure we make a quorum.

Currently on this Election ballot:

President (Vote for one)

_____ Mike Schultz

Recording Secretary

_____ Liane Kroemer _____

Board of Education (Vote for one)

_____ Lauren Schlueter _____ Kate Heisler

Financial Secretary (Vote for one)

_____ Doug Remington _____

Treasurer (Vote for one)

_____ Tyler Schlueter _____ Barb Pillard

Trustee (Vote for one)

_____ Bill O'Brien _____

Board of Evangelism (Vote for one)

_____ Mary Haase _____

Elders (Vote for no more than two)

_____ Robert Jutson _____ Gaylon Heetland
_____ Rick Martin _____ James Hancox

There is still time to add YOUR name to the list! This is your church and you can have a part in bringing us into the next 100 years. Please contact a nominating committee member to have your name added to the ballot. Committee members are Mike Schultz, John Danker, Mary Haase, Ron Bittner, Debbie Schultz and Gaylon Heetland.



2024-25 School Year theme:

“Endure” Hebrews 12:1-3

Trinity Lutheran School has welcomed 254 students for the 2024-2025 school year that also happens to be our 140th year of school! We will be celebrating throughout the school year and inviting friends, families, and alumni to join us. Want to know what is happening at TLS? Follow us on Facebook (*Trinity Lutheran Church and School – Cedar Rapids*) or check out the calendar of events and special events page on our website, www.trinitycr.org.



It's a GIRL!

Dorothy Marie Schlueter has arrived!
You are invited to a caring baby shower for

Tyler and Emily Schlueter
Saturday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m.

If you can't attend in person and you still wish to welcome baby with a gift, a box will be in the narthex.



Wednesday Night Bible Study Resuming Soon!

When Solomon was made King of Israel, he asked God for wisdom sufficient to the great task before him. The modern office of voter may not be as glamorous as **king, but Christians who hold it certainly need wisdom** just as urgently. God has given us the task of helping govern our nation; how can a Christian do so faithfully-- especially amidst the growing chaos and dissention of our times?

On **Wednesday, September 11th at 6:00 PM**, the **Wednesday Night Bible Study** will resume in the **Fireplace Room** to begin our new topic: **Whether Voters, Too, May Be Saved**. As we seek wisdom in God's Word and the Lutheran Confessions, we'll consider questions like: What is government's purpose? What is the Church's proper relation to government? What is the Christian's proper relationship to government? Please join us Wednesday evenings at 6:00 to study these important questions and more along with us.



Keep saving Hy-Vee Receipts! Trinity Lutheran School needs your Hy-Vee receipts! Leave your receipts in the box on the table in the narthex..

The receipts need to be from a Cedar Rapids or Marion Hy-Vee grocery, drug store, pharmacy, gas, and Starbucks or Caribou (within a store) and dated April 1, 2024-March 31, 2025. Thank you for turning in an amazing number of receipts for 2023-2024! Trinity profited \$3,892.48 from last year's receipt collection. Thank you. All those receipts really do add up!



Funeral service for Larry Westergren will be Saturday, September 7th at 2:30 p.m. Visitation will be held at St. Paul's beginning at 1:00 p.m.



We are looking for people to help during the photography sessions to assist people with check in. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Thanks for your help!



Sunday School Teachers Needed! We are looking for Sunday School teachers for the 2024-25 school year. All classes will be covered by a team, so no one individual will have to teach every week. For more details, or if you would be willing

to help out, please speak with Lauren Schlueter or Rachel Cochran. Please give this opportunity you prayerful consideration.

Please Notice This



Please note: The Office will be closed this Friday, September 6th.



BE STRONG

in the Lord

AND IN THE
Strength

OF HIS

MIGHT

EPHESIANS 6:10

