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July 5, 2026 — Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Zechariah 9:9-12, Romans 7:14-25a, Matthew 11:25-30



We keep trying to make Christianity more useful, turning it into self-help or magic. But every time we do, we make it less. Jesus doesn't offer tips for fixing your life or spells to control God. He offers rest to the burdened. He shows up right here, in Body and Blood, with forgiveness. Come to Him. Take and eat.

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service Setting One, *LSB* 151

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HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 966 "Before You, Lord, We Bow"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 710 "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1–2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 614 "'As Surely as I Live,' God Said"

Closing Hymns:

LSB 730 "What Is the World to Me"

LSB 965 "God Bless Our Native Land"

SERMON THEME AND TEXT

"Liberty in the Lord"

2 Corinthians 3:17 *Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.*

IN OUR PRAYERS **

FOR PEACE AND STRENGTH IN RECOVERY

We remember in prayer those who are recovering from storm damage this past week, especially the people in Highmore and Huron and the surrounding areas.

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

TRINITY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Pam Hallman, Deb Pope, Marlene Henthorn, Florence Meier, Marcella Thompson, Linda Smith, and Barb Gilbertz. Reiko Pope, Brian Ruden, Earl Tripp, and Richard Kieffer.

ST. PAUL'S MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Cathy Albrecht, Chris Heismeyer, Kendra Will, and Bernice Kollman. Lynn Anderson, Tina Gerlach, Lenora Hoffman, Rocky Hauge, and David.

Donna Alberts (Pastor's sister,) Mary Milbrandt, Darryn, Jane, Nadine Larson, Keith Wallin, Zoe Jones, and Wendy Ramberg.

TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Shawnda Thompson 07/05; Deb Pope 07/08

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Liam Thomas 07/05; Maxine Warnke 07/10

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: Kurt & Donna Fink 07/06

Kieth & Cathy Albrecht 07/10

** Please contact Nancy at trinitywlsd@gmail.com or 605-249-2570 for any updates to this bulletin prayer list. Thank you.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE

"The Fourth of July is an ideal time to thank God if you have a good homeland ... or in the U.S., a free country. What a blessing! Just like Job or Jonah, this isn't the case for everyone. And we should continually pray for those whose homelands or countries are ravaged by war, politics, or disease. Praise God for giving us a country where we can worship Him and live our lives in relative freedom and peace." *Katrina Harrmann, Time of Grace • lutheransforlife.org*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor McKillop will be out of the office Tuesday as he attends the Mitchell Circuit Winkel and picnic.

BLESSED IS THE NATION



2026-07-05 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR AND INFORMATION

Sun. July 5 8:30 a.m. Divine Service at Trinity
 10:30 a.m. Divine Service at St. Paul's
Tues. July 7 1 p.m. LWML Trinity Hope Circle
 6:30 p.m. LWML Trinity Ruth Circle

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Elders: TR: Scott Meier SP: Mike Tuschen
Ushers: TR: Dan G, Dan M. SP: Kieth A., Josh K.
Acolytes: TR: Britton Bogenhagen SP: Addisyn Everson
Altar: TR: Jane Guericke SP: Deb Haak
Greeters: SP: 07/05 Kieth & Cathy A; 07/12 Merlyn & Deb H.

June 21 Attendance and Offering: SP: 24, \$930; TR 32, \$1055

June 28 Attendance and Offering: SP 18, \$785; TR: 18, \$1310

THE LORD'S SUPPER is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.

Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until he comes. We do this because as members of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod we take very seriously the advice of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11:28–29, *A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.*

Self-Examination. 1. Do I believe that I am a sinner? 2. Do I believe and trust in Jesus Christ as my personal Lord and Savior, from sin, death, and the power of the devil? 3. Do I believe that I receive forgiveness for all of my sins through Christ's true body and blood, present in the Sacrament? (Real presence of Christ's body.) 4. Do I promise to amend (or change) my sinful life with the help of the Holy Spirit?

If you have so examined yourself and are in full agreement with us, and have been instructed, you are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. If you desire to learn more about these beliefs or are interested in learning how to become a member, please talk to Pastor McKillop or one of the elders. Thank you.