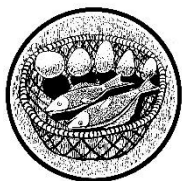


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August 2, 2026 — Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings Isaiah 55:1-5, Romans 9:1-13, Matthew 14:13-21



When John was beheaded, and the disciples were terrified, conviction ran dry. Jesus didn't lecture them. He fed 5,000 out of compassion. That same compassion is what drove him to do more than feed them once. He was crucified for every sinner. That same compassion comes to you at the altar each week to feed you with the medicine of immortality, even when your conviction runs short.

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Nicene

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 822 "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 826 "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 829 "Christ the Eternal Lord"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 832 "Jesus Shall Reign"

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Romans 9:1–5

"Grieving Over the Lost"

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BAPTISM. Baptized into Christ August 1, 2026, at Trinity was Nolan Murray, son of Trevor and Skylar Murray, grandson of Dustin and Shelly Meier, great grandson of Dan and Karen Meier. Nolan's sponsor is Madison Meier. May God keep Nolan as His child unto eternal life.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of Dennis Miller (SP) who passed May 5, 2026. A graveside service was held August 1, 2026, at the Plankinton Cemetery. May God bless Dennis's family and friends with the hope of the resurrection on the last day.

TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Mikayla Janis 08/02; Marlene Markhardt 08/04; Kim Meier 08/05; Trudie Boedeker 08/05; Marlene Henthorn 08/06

TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: Dick & Marilyn Markhardt 08/05

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAY: Ferra Kemp 08/05

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE

"And so, our life finds its meaning in Him. Our path is directed by Him. Our future is secure in Him. Though life may take a very unexpected turn, whether with a pregnancy, an illness, depression, or sudden loss, there is hope, there is peace, and there is comfort in the compassion and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, who loved us and gave Himself for us." *Rev. Paul Clark, Lutherans For Life of Michigan • lutheransforlife.org*

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2026-08-02 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Tues. Aug. 4 1 p.m. TR Hope Circle
 6:30 p.m. TR Ruth Circle

AUGUST 2026

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July 26 Attendance and Offering: SP: 24, \$865; TR: 40, \$491

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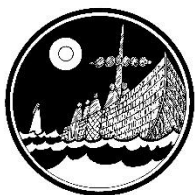
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August 9, 2026 — Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Apostle's

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 912 "Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 731 "O God, Forsake Me Not"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution/Third Hymn:

LSB 738 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 924 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Matthew 14:22–33

"Keep Your Eyes on Jesus"

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TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: Ronald & Theresa Glissendorf 8/14

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Dale Gerlach 8/9; Tayven Weber 8/10; Ron Miller 8/10; Kieth Albrecht 8/14

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT

Who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb (Job 38:8)? While He knitted you together in your mother's womb, our gracious God surrounded you with a beautiful watery cushion of amniotic fluid, which no one should ever hurt or harm. *The person who does the commandments shall live by them* (Romans 10:5, quoting Leviticus 18:5), showing that God desires life for us and not death. We worship our living, risen Lord, and not a ghost (Matthew 14:26-27), just as we speak and act for every enfleshed soul whom He has made in His image. • lutheransforlife.org

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2026-08-09 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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 10:30 a.m. Divine Service at St. Paul's
Tues. Aug. 11 2 p.m. SP Dorcas Circle
Fri. Aug 14 5–7 p.m. TR LFL Diaper Distribution

AUGUST 2026

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Aug. 2 Attendance and Offering: SP: 18, \$740; TR: 25, \$1685

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August 16, 2026 — Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Isaiah 56:1-8, Romans 11:1-32, Matthew 15:21-28



When everything goes wrong, we ask the wrong questions: Why? How do I make it stop? The Canaanite woman asked better ones: Who is this God, and where is He? She goes to Jesus and holds onto His promises even when He seems to say no. Faith does that. It clings to God's identity and finds truth and hope in who He is. The cross is where Christ always answers in mercy.

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Nicene

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 770 "What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 779 "Come, My Soul, with Every Care"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 635 "O Gracious Lord, I Firmly Am Believing"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 837 "Lift High the Cross"

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Matthew 15:21–28

"Keep Praying"

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT

"Thus says the LORD: Keep justice, and do righteousness ..." (Isaiah 56:1, 7)! Keep justice for innocent unborn babies and for every human life, dear Christian friends. *For God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all* (Romans 11:32). All have sinned and fallen short — every age, every ability, every race, both genders — and **God has had mercy on all in Christ our crucified and risen Lord of life!** Let us pray for His mercy, along with the Canaanite woman's cry for her daughter (Matthew 21:22), even when we don't receive an answer to our for-life prayers right away. • lutheransforlife.org

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2026-08-16 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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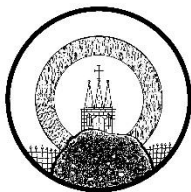
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August 23, 2026 — Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Isaiah 56:1-8, Romans 11:1-32, Matthew 15:21-28



The world has plenty of wrong answers to "Who is Jesus?" A moral example you'll never live up to. A politician. A myth. Peter's answer was different, and it came from God: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. This world looks like hell. So Jesus walked into it and died for you. You will rise.

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Apostle's

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 790 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 746 "Through Jesus' Blood and Merit"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution/Third Hymn:

LSB 696 "O God, My Faithful God"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 392 "God Loves Me Dearly"

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Matthew 16:13–20

"Who Do People Say I Am?"

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September Newsletter articles are due Tuesday, August 25, 2026.

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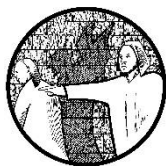
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August 30, 2026 — Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Jeremiah 15:15-21, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-28



The devil always preaches life that ends in death. Christ always preaches death that ends in life. Peter wanted a Jesus who wouldn't suffer. Jesus called that satan's sermon. So your cross isn't your own sacrifice for your sins. It's the one Jesus already carried for you. Trust His death, receive His life. That cross is your shelter. He is risen. You will rise.

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Nicene

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 686 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 688 "Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 619 "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 685 "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Matthew 16:21–26

"What It Means to Be a Disciple"

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TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Kathy Guindon 08/31; Hannah Heismeyer 08/31

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** 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 One who bore our griefs and carried our sorrows is now seated in sovereign authority over all things. He is not pacing the floor of heaven, wringing His hands. **He is reigning.** And because He reigns, we can have courage and peace even when our world seems like it's unraveling before our very eyes." *Rev. Brian W. Thomas • lutheransforlife.org*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September Newsletters are available this morning. Be sure to pick up your copy!

LWML Trinity Hope Circle is sponsoring a **collection for the Orphan Grain Train**. Please drop off sock/underwear donations in the Gifts from the Heart tote in the addition at **Trinity by 2 p.m. September 1, 2026.**

Will you join us on a Creation Museum and Ark Encounter trip this fall?

Travel on the Pierre Faith Lutheran motorcoach the week of Oct 18 to Oct 23, 2026. Register by August 31 to save a seat. Visit our webpage for more details: <https://faithluth.com/arktrip2026/>

St Paul Dorcas Circle will be hosting a **Potluck Dinner for the congregation** following the Divine Service Sunday, September 13, 2026. Plan now to attend and bring a favorite dish to share!

The Mitchell Circuit will convene for a **Circuit Forum** on Sunday, September 13, 2026, at Zion Mitchell. We will begin with supper at 6 p.m. Synodical convention delegates Pr. Daniel Grimmer and Mr. Sherm Fuerniss will give a report on the LCMS Convention which took place in July in Phoenix. Each circuit congregation is invited to send a lay representative along with its pastor. We look forward to a good evening of fellowship and conversation.

2026-08-30 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Sun. Aug 30 8:30 a.m. Divine Service at Trinity
 10:30 a.m. Divine Service at St. Paul's
Tues. Sept. 1 2 p.m. LWML TR Joint Annual Meeting
Wed. Sept. 2 10–7 LWML TR at The Puppet Place, Huron

AUGUST 2026

Elders: TR: David Bogenhagen SP: Curt Guindon
Ushers: TR: Dean S., John G. SP: Jett K., Larry G.
Acolytes: TR: Orion Steichen SP: Tayven Weber
Altar: TR: Janice Thiry SP: Cathy Albrecht
Greeters: 08/30 Marv Jira; 09/06 Dan & Tina G

Aug. 23 Attendance and Offering: SP: 21, \$775; TR: 25, \$388

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.