



NEWSLETTER



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Weekly bulletin deadline is Thursday noon. Please email me if you prefer your newsletter emailed to you. Thanks!

November 2022

Joint Divine Worship Services

Sunday, November 6, 2022 — 5 p.m. at St. Paul's
Sunday, November 13, 2022 — 5 p.m. at Trinity
Sunday, November 20, 2022 — 5 p.m. at St. Paul's
Wednesday, November 23, 2022 — 5 p.m. at St. Paul's
Sunday, November 27, 2022 — 5 p.m. at Trinity

Christian Education

Joint Bible Study – Book of Daniel 6 p.m. at the same location as the Joint Divine Service.
Joint Confirmation Class — same location as the Joint Divine Service, 3:45 p.m.
St. Paul's Saturday/Sunday School will be held at St. Paul's on the days they host the Divine Service, 3:45 p.m.; also at Trinity 11-27.
Trinity Release-Time — Wednesdays, 2:15–3:15 p.m. No class 11-23.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Trinity Hope Circle – November 1, 2022, 2 p.m.
Trinity Ruth Circle – November 9, 2022, 6 p.m.
St. Paul's Dorcas Circle – November 14, 2022, 2 p.m.

Mitchell Circuit Reformation Festival, Immanuel Dimock, October 30, 2022. Presentation 3 p.m., Service 4 p.m., supper following. Guest speaker/preacher is Rev. Dr. Wallace Schulz.

Serving the Lord's Church in NOVEMBER

TRINITY

Elder David Bogenhagen
Ushers Ron Steffen
Dan Meier
Acolytes Madison Meier
Karter Clark
Altar Janice Thiry

ST. PAUL'S

Elder Curt Guindon
Ushers Justin Everson
Rod Weber
Lane Wesseling
Acolyte
Altar Deb Haak

Serving the Lord's Church in DECEMBER

TRINITY

Elder David Bogenhagen
Ushers Ben Bogenhagen
Scott Meier
Acolytes Jacob Doering
Taelyn Clark
Altar Barb Gilbertz

ST. PAUL'S

Elder Mike Tuschen
Ushers Kurt Fink
Stan Johnson
Lennis Titze
Acolyte
Altar Deb Haak

Scripture Readings

Nov. 6 Revelation 7:9–17; 1 John 3:1–3; Matthew 5:1–12
Nov. 13 Malachi 4:1–6; 2 Thessalonians 3:6–13; Luke 21:5–28
Nov. 20 Malachi 3:13–18; Colossians 1:13–20; Luke 23:27–43
Nov. 27 Isaiah 2:1–5; Romans 13:11–14; Matthew 21:1–11

The **December 2022 newsletter** will be available on/after December 3, 2022. Articles are due Monday, November 28, 2022.



In Luke 20:27ff the Sadducees challenged Jesus on the resurrection. The Sadducees denied the resurrection of the dead. They brought an extreme example to bear to mock the resurrection of the dead. Jesus

responded to their denial of the resurrection saying, *But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to Him.*

Jesus is referring to Exodus 3:6 which is the account of Moses and the burning bush. The Lord said to Moses, *I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.* The Lord did not say that He was the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, but that He *is* the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. This means that Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob live with God. This is a comforting truth. Those who die in the faith do not cease to exist, but they live with the Lord. On the Mount of Transfiguration, we see that Abraham and Elijah are indeed alive with the Lord. St Matthew writes, *And [Jesus] was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him.*

Jesus says in John 10, *I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die.* Jesus also says in John 3, *For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him. Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.*

The reason sinners gain eternal life is because of God's grace and mercy. God took up flesh and became our Brother. All people are sinners (Romans 3) and cannot be justified by their works

because their works are sin. In our fall into sin (Genesis 3) we lost the original righteousness we were created in and our human nature became corrupted by sin.

We are unrighteous, but Jesus is our righteousness as the Prophet Jeremiah says. Jesus fulfilled all righteousness in our place by loving God above all things and loving His neighbor as Himself. Jesus also answered for all of our sins (our injustices/unrighteousness). Jesus lived, suffered, and died for us so that He can absolve us of all sin in the Gospel, that is, in His Word and Sacraments. Where there is forgiveness of sins there is also life and salvation. St Paul writes of God pouring out His saving grace and His Holy Spirit upon us in Holy Baptism in Titus 3, *But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.*

God pours out His saving grace and forgiveness upon us in Holy Baptism and this saving grace is received and enjoyed by faith. His grace delivers us from sin, death, and the devil. The Lord says to the Prophet Daniel regarding the resurrection of the dead on the Last Day in Daniel 12, *And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt...But [you, Daniel] go your way till the end. And you shall rest and shall stand in your allotted place at the end of days.*

Praise God for His abundant grace and mercy towards us sinners. Praise God who has overcome sin, death, and darkness for us.

In Christ, Pastor Jenson

Joint Children's Christmas Eve Service Practice

Sunday, November 27, 2022; 3:45 p.m. at Trinity.

Sunday, December 4, 2022; 3:45 p.m. at St. Paul's.

Sunday, December 11, 2022; 3:45 p.m. at Trinity.

Sunday, December 18, 2022; 3:45 p.m. at St. Paul's.

LCMS South Dakota District NEWS

REFORMATION FESTIVAL



The Mitchell Circuit will celebrate its Reformation Festival October 30, 2022 at Immanuel Lutheran Church of rural Dimock. Dr. Wallace Schulz will be our speaker and preacher. There will be a presentation at 3 p.m., worship at 4 p.m., and a meal afterwards. Join us as we celebrate the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Lutheran heritage.

LUTHER GERMANY TOUR

Pastor Steve Weispfennig, St. John's, Yankton, invites you to join him on a once-in-a-lifetime 13-day Luther Germany Tour, departing from Omaha, **August 7–19, 2023.**

You will receive a full Reformation experience, plus so much more! We will enjoy the sights and sounds, smells and schmeckt (tastes) of Germany and Prague, Czech Republic. We will explore our Lutheran Christian heritage and the Reformation principles of Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Scripture Alone, and Christ Alone!

\$5,195/person for double occupancy (+\$1,000 for single occupancy). **All inclusive** (except lunch). Includes airfare, 3-star hotels, private motor coach, English-speaking guides, entrance fees to all sites, daily breakfast and dinner plus welcome lunch at the Hofbräuhaus, and Lake Titisee cruise.

Registration with \$500 deposit can be made any time prior to March 10, 2023, but the sooner the better. Registrations can be accepted until May 24, 2023, but 1/2 payment is due March 10, 2023 and full payment is due May 24, 2023.

Visit

<https://questtravelgroup.com/pastorweispfennig>
for a full itinerary, registration, and other information.

Or contact Pastor Steve
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Christmas Aid



Trinity Lutherans for Life, White Lake, would like to help families within our area this Christmas season by purchasing clothing, toys, diapers, or other items that may be needed. This project is being supported by a Thrivent Action Team.

If you would like to participate, we encourage you to fill out the form on Trinity's website, trinitywhitelake.com/lutherans-for-life. Please return the form by Monday, **November 21, 2022** to:

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For additional information, feel free to contact us at trinitywhitelake@gmail.com.

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Main Street Living November 2022

All programs are interpreted and closed-captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information visit:

www.mainstreetliving.com

November 6, 2022

10 a.m. — **“Like Father Like Son”** A father’s example leads to his son making questionable choices at school.

10:30 a.m. — SMP Vicar Dennis Mercer, Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church in Black Hawk, presents a message titled “God Speaks and We Live.” This sermon is based on John 4:46–54.

November 13, 2022

10 a.m. — **“Families Come First”** A man contends with the demands of his career, promotion, and his vocation as a father.

10:30 a.m. — Rev. Albert Sutton, pastor at Evergreen Lutheran Church in Porcupine, presents a message titled “I Told You So.” This sermon is based on Luke 21:5–28.

November 20, 2022

10 a.m. — **“Conspiracy of Silence”** A husband and wife come to grips with a terminal illness.

10:30 a.m. — To be announced.

November 27, 2022

10 a.m. — **“Big Account”** An advertising agency art director learns the impact of his work on his family and others.

10:30 a.m. — To be announced.

Children must be taught how to give thanks. They learn thanksgiving from parents who are thankful to God the Heavenly Father for all that they are and have. Thanksgiving = Thanks-*living!*

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THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL

Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few” (Matthew 9:37).

Welcome to Fall! This is one of my favorite four seasons of the year. In all seriousness, though, I do love fall — the crisp air, the changing leaves, harvest being reaped all around. But this year, at least where I live, the harvest will be a little thin. After an extra-dry winter and summer, the yields aren’t proving to be what anyone would hope for.

The other day, as I was having a conversation with a farmer about the harvest, the above verse from Matthew kept replaying in my head. How often we look at our surroundings, community and society and wonder if there’s any harvest field for the Lord left. But Jesus’ words to His disciples are no less true today than they were when He uttered them a couple thousand years ago. Indeed, the harvest is plentiful.

When I spoke to this farmer, I was struck by the fact that even though the yield didn’t seem promising and would no doubt be frustrating and maybe even downright disappointing, he still went out and put in the work of the harvest. We have a ripe harvest field all around us. We have “neighbors” all over the place that are literally dying to hear God’s Word — even if they don’t realize it. We may think the yield light, but the harvest is no less important now than it has ever been. Remember what Luke says in his Gospel, “Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.” Let us then rejoice that God continues to keep us in His harvest field, wherever that may be, and let us pray all the more fervently for God to continue to send laborers into His harvest field.



WORD FROM THE CENTER – October 10, 2022

Welcome to “Word from The Center” MONDAY, a devotional word from the Center of our faith, Jesus Christ, with reflections on His Word. I’m Gregory Seltz. Today’s reading is Luke 17:11–19 which says,

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers,[a] who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them,

when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

WHEN “LIFE” IS BEYOND OUR CONTROL-THANK GOD THERE’S A SAVIOR!

If there is one temptation that is especially true of we who think of ourselves as “moderns,” it is the notion that there no problem, no issue that we cannot engage and solve. Right? Come on now, be honest. Virtually every commercial out there proclaims that “there is nothing you can’t do!” Just do it! You can handle it! We’re told that we have access to more information today than ever before as if we can put that to use unlike others before us. We, yes we, can save the planet. We can heal all diseases. We can do whatever we put our minds to. That sure sounds good, but it neglects one vital aspect of our human nature. **We are sinners.** Even though God created humanity without sin. We brought rebellion, brokenness, and death into our lives. The Bible says that there is no one who is sinless, not one (1 John 1:8; Romans 3:10). And, the wages of sin (the payment for that kind of life) ... death (Romans 6:24). Yes, death now, death forever.

But **that’s not the end of the story**, at least from God’s point of voice. Just look at our lesson for today. Jesus engages some guys with leprosy. Being a leper in the 1st century was like living with a “death sentence” each and every day of your life. You were to be quarantined, separate, and if people came near, you were to yell out “unclean, unclean.” It was, humiliating, spirit-crushing, no-

hope life, each and every day. That is until Jesus comes long and engages them. Check out the lesson and see that one of them got the whole story. He realized that his physical condition wasn’t the only problem he had. He realized that he needed a Savior, body and soul. And when he met Jesus, he found just that. Thanksgiving, joy, life, when before there was only sin and death, that’s Jesus offer to you today too.

So, if you are facing things that are beyond your control today, or, if you just feel like life in general is out of whack, realize, like that one Samaritan leper, that **a Savior has come for you too.**

PRAYER: Dear Lord Jesus, so much seems out of my control. Even when I’m trying to do things right, it seems that more often all things go wrong. Give me the joy of the one Samaritan leper who saw you as the center of one’s faith and life, now and forever. AMEN



THANKSGIVING



Prayer of the Church Thanksgiving Day 2022

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

In thanksgiving for God's blessings, especially the bounty of the earth, that He would be gracious to us and shine His face upon us in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all ministers whom the Lord sends, that we who do not live by bread alone may hear the Word that comes from the mouth of God and live, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the homes of God's people, that they would be places of blessing and love; that husbands and wives would cherish each other and honor their vows of faithfulness; and that God would bless the children given to their care, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For peace among the nations, that our almighty God would continually defend us against all who threaten violence and war; and that He would bless our leaders, and all who make, administer and judge our laws, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and suffering, [*especially _____,*] that our gracious God would bring healing to all in need, according to His will, and deliver them from their afflictions, granting them a patient heart in adversity and grace to sustain them in the day of trouble, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the weary, that hope would sustain them; for the poor and hungry, that the Church would be generous in her support of them; and for an end to all jealousy and strife, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

These and whatever else You would have us ask of You, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only Son, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**









Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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November 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 2 a.m. TR Hope Circle 	2 2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time	3	4	5
6  All Saints' Day (Observed) Events at St. Paul's 3:45 p.m. Confirmation/SS 5 p.m. Joint Divine Service 6 p.m. Bible Class	7	8	9 2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time 6 p.m. TR Ruth Circle 	10	11	12
13  Twenty-third Sunday Pentecost Events at Trinity 3:45 p.m. Confirmation 5 p.m. Joint Divine Service 6 p.m. Bible Class	14 2 p.m. SP Dorcas Circle 	15	16 2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time	17	18	19
20  Last Sunday of the Church Year Events at St. Paul's 3:45 p.m. Confirmation/SS 5 p.m. Joint Divine Service 6 p.m. Bible Class	21	22	23 5 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service at SP	24 Thanksgiving	25	26
27  First Sunday in Advent Events at Trinity 3:45 p.m. Confirmation/SS 5 p.m. Joint Divine Service 6 p.m. Bible Class	28	29	30 2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time	O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endures forever (Psalm 136:1).		