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August 3, 2025 — Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Faith in Christ Is Rich Toward God

To live for earthly things *“is vanity and a striving after wind,”* and work that is driven by such vanity *“is an unhappy business”* (Eccl. 1:13–14). The man who lives like that has nothing to show for *“all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun ... all his days are full of sorrow”* (Eccl. 2:22–23). So, too, your *“covetousness, which is idolatry”* (Col. 3:5), makes a god out of that which cannot give you life or happiness. For *“one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions”* (Luke 12:15). But *“Christ who is your life”* (Col. 3:4), in giving you Himself, gives you all the wealth of heaven. Instead of striving to lay up treasures for yourself, be *“rich toward God”* in Him (Luke 12:21).

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Nicene

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 908 “Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear”

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 730 “What Is the World to Me”

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 731 “O God, Forsake Me Not”

Closing Hymn:

LSB 783 “Take My Life and Let It Be”

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Luke 12:13–21

“Have Treasures in Heaven”

IN OUR PRAYERS **

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CHRISTIAN LOVE AND CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of LWML South Dakota District President, Mary Jo Stier, whose husband Steve died unexpectedly July 29, 2025. May our heavenly Father grant comfort and peace in the blessed assurance of eternal life for His children.

TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Marlene Markhardt 08/04;
Kim Meier 08/05; Trudie Boedecker 08/05;
Marlene Henthorn 08/08

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: Dick & Marilyn Markhardt 08/05

ST. PAUL’S BIRTHDAYS: Ferra Kemp 08/05
Dale Gerlach 08/09

ST. PAUL’S ANNIVERSARY: Larry & Peg Hoffman 08/04

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT

The Lord our God has made human lives His business (Psalm 100:3; Luke 13:20). That makes the sanctity of every human life the Church’s business. Crucified and ascended Jesus Christ invites us to press even death into service – never the death of the neighbor’s body, but rather the death of the sinful and selfish desires (Colossians 3:5) that lie behind abortion and assisted suicide. • lutheransforlife.org



ANNOUNCEMENTS

News Items Available

- August Newsletter
- August LCMS District News

2025-08-03 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 3–9, 2025 EVENTS

Sun. August 3 8:30 a.m. Divine Service at St. Paul’s
 10:30 a.m. Divine Service at Trinity

SERVING THE LORD’S CHURCH AUGUST 2025

St. Paul’s	Trinity
Elder: Curt Guindon	Elder: David Bogenhagen
Ushers: Larry Gerlach	Ushers: Ron Steffen
Jett Kemp	Dan Guericke
Acolyte: Tayven Weber	Acolyte: Brant Bogenhagen
Altar: Cathy Albrecht	Altar: Janice Thiry
Greeters:	

JULY 27, 2025	St. Paul’s	Trinity
Attendance and Offering	20 - \$710	24 - \$972

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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 Lutherans 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?

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August 10, 2025 — Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

The Lord Is Surely Coming to Give You His Kingdom

The Lord Himself was Abraham's shield and great reward. For *"the word of the LORD came to him"* and sustained the patriarch's faith in the face of death (Gen. 15:4). By divine grace, Abraham *"believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness"* (Gen. 15:6), on account of the holy Seed, Christ Jesus. To that one old man, the Lord granted *"descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore"* (Heb. 11:12). The Lord is likewise faithful to you. It is His glad desire *"to give you the kingdom"* (Luke 12:32). Therefore, *"do not be anxious about your life,"* but instead *"seek his kingdom"* (Luke 12:22, 31). Set your heart on that treasure. *"Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning ... for the Son of Man is coming"* (Luke 12:35, 40).

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Apostle's

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 725 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 524 "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 527 "O Savior, Precious Savior"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 783 "Be Still, My Soul"

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Luke 12:32–40

"Ready for That Day"

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Jazmyn Soukup 08/13; Travis Everson 08/13; Jacob Doering 08/13

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: Ronald & Theresa Glissendorf 08/14
 Dan & Karen Meier 08/16
 Jerry & Trudie Boedecker 08/16

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Tayven Weber 08/10; Ron Miller 08/10
 Kieth Albrecht 08/14

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE

"Our Lord Jesus Christ assures us that the Heavenly Father makes His love for our kind evident in sunshine and rainfall (Matthew 5:45) along with sparrows and lilies (Matthew 6:25-33). So, we may expect to learn about the sanctity of every human life not only from His Word but also from His world." *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life.* • lutheransforlife.org



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Immanuel Lutheran Church of rural Dimock is celebrating its Mission Festival August 17, 2025. Morning preacher (10 a.m.) will be Rev. Randy Sturzenbecher, President of the LCMS South Dakota District. Afternoon preacher (2 p.m.) is Rev. Dean Schroeder, pastor of St. John, Tyndall and Martinus, rural Utica. A noon meal will be served between services. Members of circuit congregations are welcome to join us.

2025-08-10 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 10–16, 2025 EVENTS

Sun. August 10	8:30 a.m.	Divine Service at St. Paul’s
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service at Trinity
Tues. August 12	6:30 p.m.	LWML Trinity Ruth Circle

SERVING THE LORD’S CHURCH AUGUST 2025

St. Paul's		Trinity	
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Ushers:	Larry Gerlach	Ushers:	Ron Steffen
	Jett Kemp		Dan Guericke
Acolyte:	Tayven Weber	Acolyte:	Brant Bogenhagen
Altar:	Cathy Albrecht	Altar:	Janice Thiry
Greeters:			
AUGUST 3, 2025		St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance and Offering		21 - \$810	27 - \$2176

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August 17, 2025 — Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Christ's Suffering and Death Bring Division

The Lord Jesus causes fear and trembling and division because His Word is *"like fire ... and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces"* (Jer. 23:29). His Law puts us all to death, whereas only His Gospel can bring us to life. He has fulfilled that Word for us by His cross and in His resurrection from the dead. He undergoes such a distressing baptism, accomplished by His death, in order to open the way for us through our Holy Baptism into His cross and resurrection. So, then, if we are able *"to interpret the appearance of earth and sky"* (Luke 12:56), let us mark this sign of His cross — recognizing that this world is subject to death, but knowing that Christ Jesus also has conquered death and obtained life everlasting for us. Let us fix our eyes on *"Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,"* and *"run with endurance the race that is set before us"* (Heb. 12:1–2).

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Nicene

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 703 "How Can I Thank You, Lord"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 707 "Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 702 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 697 "Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death"

Matthew 10:34–42

"Not Peace, But a Sword"

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Britton Bogenhagen 08/17; Karisa Dalldorf 08/18; Jay Thompson 08/19; Kris Kieffer 08/23

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: none

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE

"Never apologize for sharing God's Word. Never excuse holding or defending a godly position that clearly states how a life issue stands according to Scripture. Abortion is wrong, as is assisted suicide, and many other life issues happening in our world." *Volunteer Relations, Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



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2025-08-17 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 17–23, 2025 EVENTS

Sun. August 17	8:30 a.m.	Divine Service at St. Paul’s
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AUGUST 10, 2025		St. Paul’s	Trinity
Attendance and Offering		19 - \$697	25 - \$1532.14

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 17, 2025



Sermon "Not Peace, But a Sword"

Matthew 10:34–42

³⁴[Jesus said:] “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ³⁶And a person’s enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. ³⁸And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

⁴⁰“Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. ⁴¹The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward. ⁴²And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.”

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August 24, 2025 — Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

The Cross of Christ Is the Way into the Kingdom of God

With the cross of Christ, the time has come “*to gather all nations and tongues*” (Is. 66:18). The sign of the cross is set forth in the preaching of the Gospel, the declaration of the Lord’s glory “*among the nations*” (Is. 66:19). Many “*will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God*” (Luke 13:29), but only by the narrow way of the cross. Those who refuse to follow Christ crucified will ultimately find only “*weeping and gnashing of teeth*” (Luke 13:28), whereas Christ’s disciples, called from all the nations, will eat and drink with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of God. They will come into “*the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem*” (Heb. 12:22).

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, *LSB* 184

CREED: SP: Apostle’s — TR: Nicene

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 915 “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 527 “O Savior, Precious Savior”

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn (*Trinity only*):

LSB 636 “Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

Closing Hymn:

LSB 790 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Luke 13:22–30

“The Narrow Door”

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TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: Ben & Brianna Bogenhagen 08/27

ST. PAUL’S BIRTHDAYS: none

ST. PAUL’S ANNIVERSARY: Merlyn & Deb Haak 08/26

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LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT

We live our life on this earth for Jesus and in His service. We only have one life to live! What a tragedy that in our world today, millions of people who do not want responsibilities associated with parenting are murdering their unborn children with no regard for the implications.

We know that life is sacred, that God creates each person. We praise God when children — and adults, too — are brought to saving faith and receive the life-giving water of Holy Baptism. *Portals of Prayer 8-21-25 • lutheransforlife.org*



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Thank you to Rev. David Ellis for furnishing pulpit supply this morning.

The September newsletter will be available on or after August 31, 2025. Articles are due to trinitywlsd@gmail.com by Tuesday, August 26, 2025.

There will be a Joint Voters Meeting Tuesday, September 16, 2025, 7 p.m. This meeting will be hosted by St. Paul’s.

2025-08-24 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 24–30, 2025 EVENTS

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AUGUST 17, 2025	St. Paul’s	Trinity
Attendance and Offering	24 - \$1210	23 - \$1947

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August 31, 2025 — Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

We Are Humbled and Exalted by the Cross of Christ

"Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled," Jesus proclaims, but *"he who humbles himself will be exalted"* (Luke 14:11). For your hope is in the name of the Lord, who humbled Himself unto death on the cross and was exalted in His resurrection. So, are you humbled by His cross, and *"at the resurrection of the just,"* He will say to you, *"Friend, move up higher"* (Luke 14:10, 13–14)? By His grace, the King will honor you *"in the presence of a noble,"* where your eyes will gaze upon the Prince, His dearly beloved Son (Prov. 25:7). As He has dealt so graciously with you, *"do not neglect to do good and to share what you have"* (Heb. 13:16), and *"do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers"* (Heb. 13:2). Humble yourself and exalt your neighbor.

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Nicene

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 791 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 611 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

Offering Hymn:

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

Distribution Hymn:

LSB 554 "O Jesus, King Most Wonderful"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 744 "Amazing Grace"

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Luke 14:1–14

"He Who Humbles Himself Will Be Exalted"

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Bev Miller 09/04
 Rachel Thompson 09/06

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAY: Kathy Guindon 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

"God created every one of us to shine brightly in the world He made for us. Each person is a candle, sustaining His light to share with others. When a baby is aborted, his or her candle is extinguished. Clearly, that is not what God wants for us. None of us is unimportant to God; He cares about all of us, no matter our size, age, parents, gender, or disabilities. Every candle has a special purpose God designed." *Christina, Missouri, Lutherans For Life Essay Contest* • lutheransforlife.org



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The September newsletter will be available this morning. Please pick up the copy for your household.

Trinity's Release-Time for the 2025–2026 school year begins this Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 2:15 p.m. Bible class and Wednesday school will resume next week Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. St. Paul's Bible class will resume next week Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 10 a.m. Ferra Kemp will be in contact with St. Paul's families regarding the Sunday school schedule.

There will be a Joint Voters Meeting Tuesday, September 16, 2025, 7 p.m. This meeting will be hosted by St. Paul's.

2025-08-31 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 31–SEPTEMBER 6, 2025 EVENTS

Sun. August 31	8:30 a.m.	Divine Service at St. Paul’s
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service at Trinity
Wed. Sept. 3	2:15 p.m.	Trinity Release-Time

SERVING THE LORD’S CHURCH AUGUST 2025

St. Paul's		Trinity	
Elder:	Curt Guindon	Elder:	David Bogenhagen
Ushers:	Larry Gerlach	Ushers:	Ron Steffen
	Jett Kemp		Dan Guericke
Acolyte:	Tayven Weber	Acolyte:	Brant Bogenhagen
Altar:	Cathy Albrecht	Altar:	Janice Thiry
Greeters:			
AUGUST 24, 2025		St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance and Offering		24 - \$660	24 - \$610

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.