

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Chamberlain, SD 57325

"To unite all people in the love and fellowship of Jesus Christ  
and to serve our growing community"

Ministers: People of Trinity

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15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

9/2/18

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**\* Please stand as you are able.**

## Evangelical Lutheran Worship: Setting 3



Gathering Music & Announcements

### **\*Confession & Forgiveness**

**P:** Blessed be the + holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power. Source of all life,

**C: we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others**

to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.

**P:** God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn:**

**WOV #783**

**\*Greeting & Kyrie: page 138**

**\*Canticle of Praise: ELW 167**

**"Now the Feast and Celebration"**

**\*Prayer of the Day: O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **WORD**

**First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9**

The Israelites believed the law was a divine gift that provided guidelines for living out the covenant. Moses commands the people to obey the law and to neither add

**to nor subtract from it. The Israelites are also to teach the law to their children and their children's children.**

<sup>1</sup>So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. <sup>6</sup>You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' <sup>7</sup>For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? <sup>8</sup>And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? <sup>9</sup> But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children—

### **Psalm 15**

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup> Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart;

<sup>3</sup> who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;

<sup>4</sup> in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honor those who fear the LORD; who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

<sup>5</sup> who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be moved.

**Second Reading: James 1:17-27**

**The letter of James was intended to provide first-century Christians with instruction in godly behavior. Here, Christians are encouraged to listen carefully and to act on what they hear, especially by caring for those least able to care for themselves.**

<sup>17</sup> Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. <sup>19</sup> You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup>for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. <sup>21</sup>Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. <sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup>For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup>for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup>But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and

persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. <sup>26</sup> If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup> Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

**\*Gospel Acclamation: page 142**

**\*Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

**Mark's gospel depicts Jesus as challenging traditional ways in which religious people determine what is pure or impure. For Jesus, the observance of religious practices cannot become a substitute for godly words or deeds that spring from a faithful heart.**

<sup>1</sup>Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, <sup>2</sup>they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; <sup>4</sup>and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) <sup>5</sup>So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' <sup>6</sup>He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are

far from me; <sup>7</sup> in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.” <sup>8</sup>You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.’

<sup>14</sup> Then he called the crowd again and said to them, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’ <sup>21</sup>For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’

## **Sermon**

**\* Hymn of the Day:**

**W & P #52**

\* Apostles’ Creed: page 105

\* Prayers: *Congregation responds, “Hear our prayer”*

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

## **MEAL**

Offering/\***Offertory**

**ELW #686**

**Holy Communion**

\*Great Thanksgiving: page 144

\*Lord's Prayer: page 145

Distribution

Hymns:

ELW #592, ELW #793

**SENDING**

\* Final Blessing:

\*Closing Hymn:

ELW #824

**Announcements**

**9/1 & 9/2/18**

**FALL KICK-OFF** – Our fall kick off worship service will be on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at American Creek Park. Third graders will receive their bibles and Wowsome Wednesday teachers and volunteers will be installed. A brunch will follow. If you would like to donate fruit or a fruit salad, please see the sign up sheet. Thank you! Hope to see you all there!

**NOISY OFFERING** –In August we collected \$51.29 for National Alliance on Mental Illness. In September we will be collecting for St. Dymas.

**BACKPACK** - Next weekend we will be saying a prayer for our s and school staff students and blessing their backpacks. Remember to bring your favorite school bag with you!

**WOWSOME & CONFIRMATION** – Wowsome Wednesday begins on September 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Confirmation and all high school students will meet on September 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

**DAKOTA MILESTONES** – Is looking for a volunteer to interact with small groups of 3 or 4 people they support. Suggested activities are baking, crafts, reading, and morning coffee. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please call Sally of Ronda at 734-5542. Thanks!

**TREEHOUSE HELPER NEEDED** – Preschool is looking for volunteers to help with aft and snack time, to read to the kids, etc., as often as you would enjoy this opportunity. Call Lynn at 730-0855 or stop by Treehouse if you are interested in helping. Thanks!

**CHOIR** – We will begin choir practice on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!

**WELCA Mission Project** – We are collecting complete meal items for the next several months for the food pantries. For the month of September, we will be collecting chunky soups and crackers.

## **OUR SERVICE MINISTERS**

Preaching: Pastor Lisa Heffernan  
Musician: Rosemary Mohr  
Host: Olson Family  
Lector: Olson Family



Deacon: Dotty Hieb  
Altar Care: Dotty Hieb  
Lawn Care: Dave Larson (mow by 9-8-18)

Offering Tellers: Sharmel Olson & TBD  
Attendance: Saturday: 14 Sunday: 46

Offering for July: Actual: \$10,005.43  
Budgeted: \$ 9,679.17  
Difference \$ 326.18

**Sanctuary Candle**: Happy Anniversary to former TLC Pastor Paul & Pearl Almquist (9/3); Happy Anniversary to former TLC Pastor Duane & Margie Neugebauer (9/4).

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Sun, Sept 2: 9:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion  
Tues, Sept 4: 5:30 p.m. Treehouse Board Meeting  
Wed, Sept 5: 5:30 p.m. Youth meeting  
Wed, Sept 5 7:00 p.m. Choir  
Sat, Sept 8: 5:30 p.m. Worship w/Communion

Trinity practices open communion – All who believe the bread and wine are Jesus' body and blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins are invited to commune with us.