Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 8, 2026
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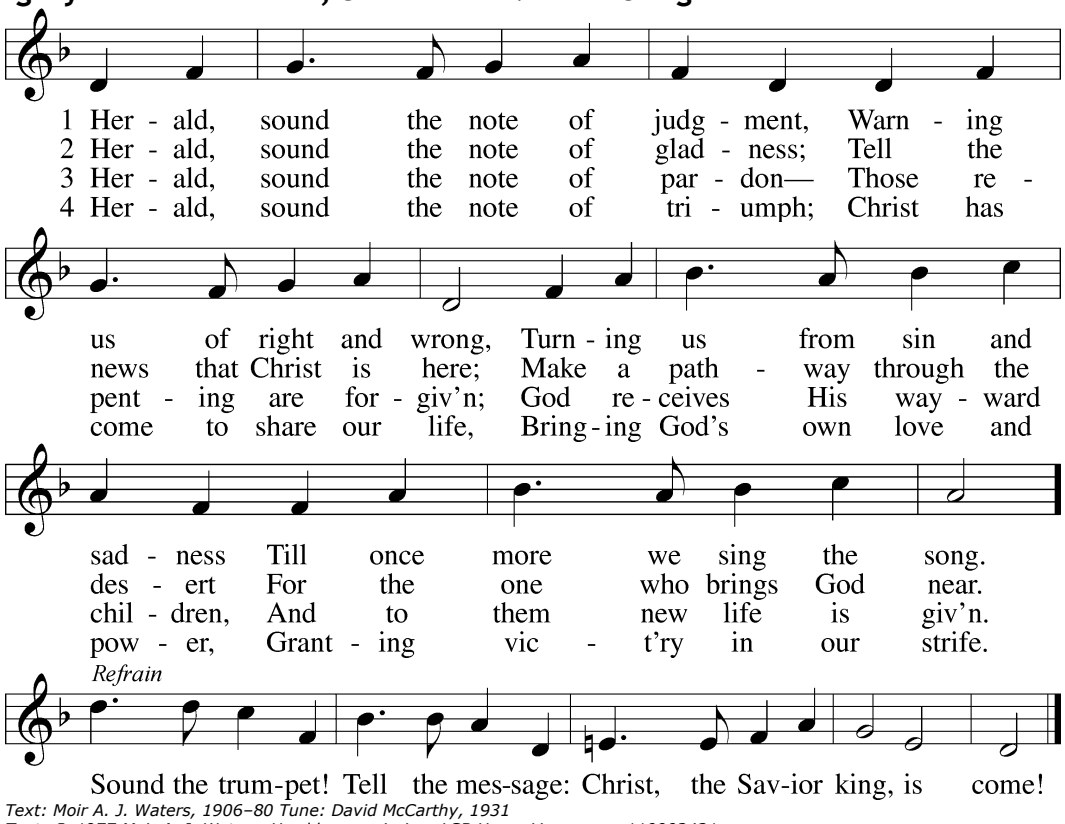
SUNDAY
Worship
8:30am & 10:30am

Bible Study
& Sunday School
(September-May)
9:40am

WEDNESDAY
Worship On Wednesdays
6:00pm

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn #511 Herald, Sound the Note of Judgment



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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 84:1, 9–12; antiphon: v. 3*

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!
Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!
For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.
O LORD of hosts,
blessèd is the one who trusts in you!
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

Kyrie (responses sung) *LSB 168*

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
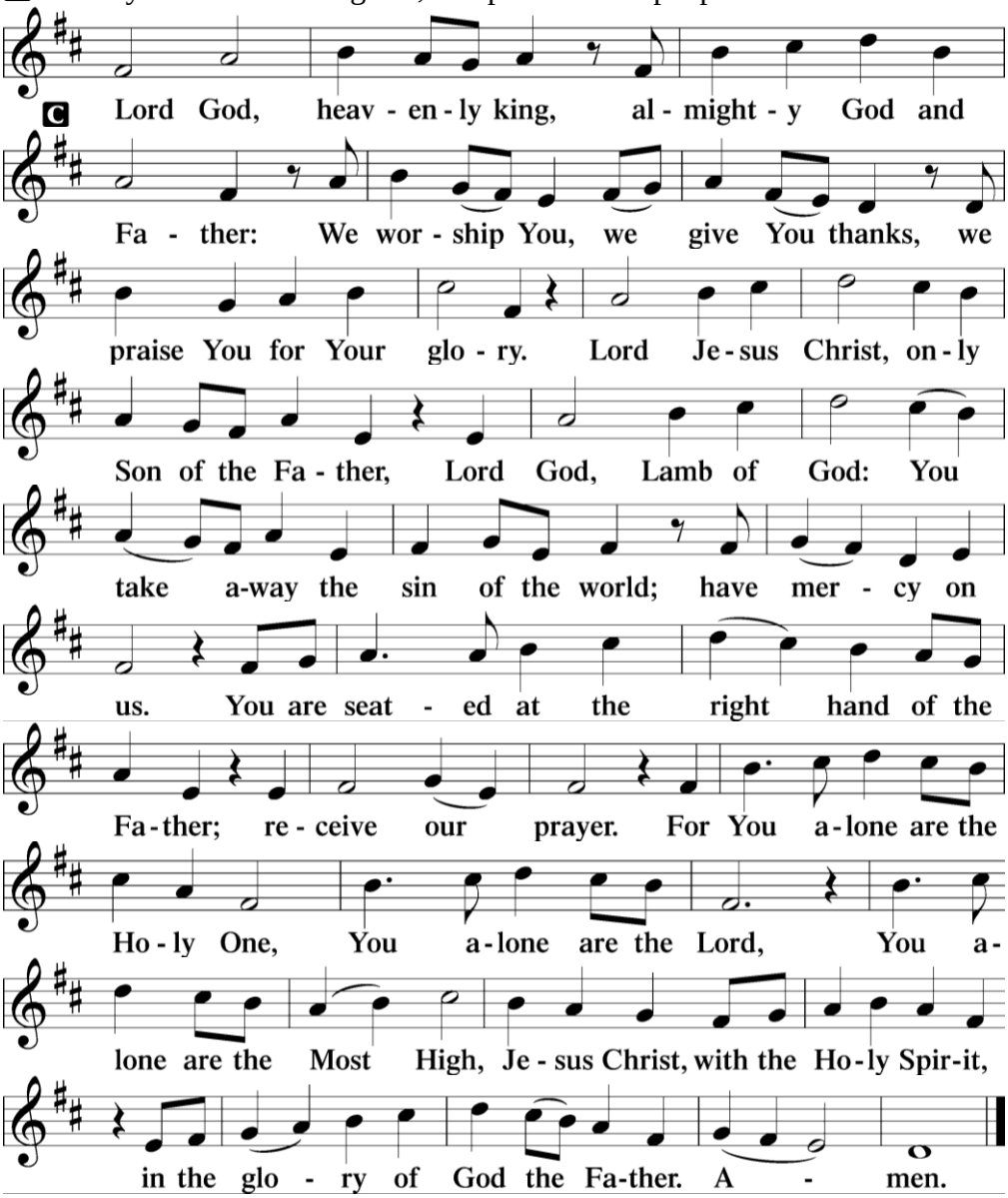
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 170*

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



Salutation and Collect of the Day (responses sung)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.
Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading *Amos 5:18–24*

[18]Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why would you have the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, and not light,
[19]as if a man fled from a lion,
and a bear met him,
or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.
[20]Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?
[21]"I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
[22]Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.
[23]Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
[24]But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*

[13]But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. [14]For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. [15]For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. [16]For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. [17]Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. [18]Therefore encourage one another with these words.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse (sung) *LSB 173*

C **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel (responses sung) *Matthew 25:1–13*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[1][Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2]Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3]For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4]but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5]As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. [6]But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7]Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. [8]And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9]But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' [10]And while

they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. [11]Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12]But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' [13]Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."
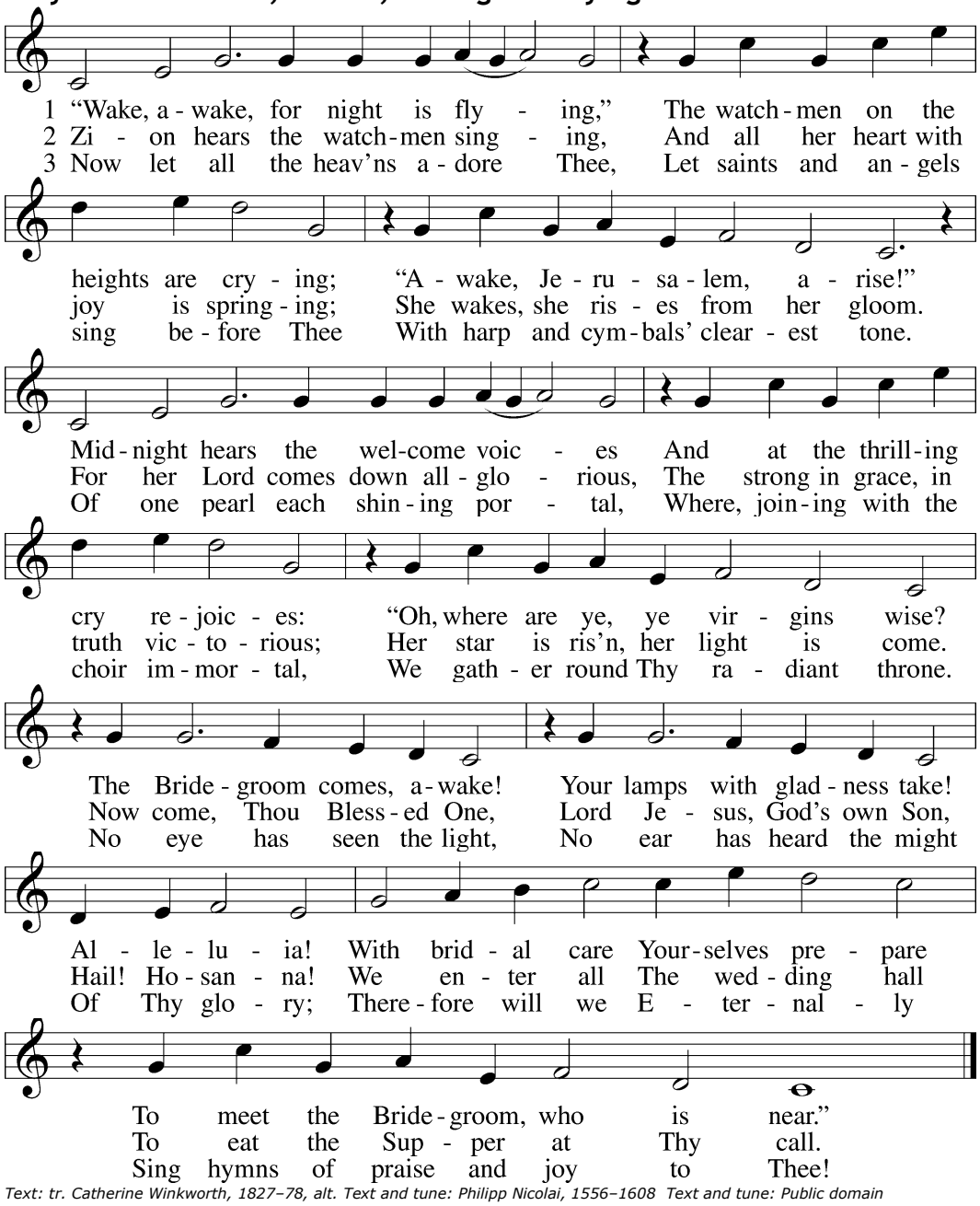
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

10:30am Cherub Choir (Pre-Kindergarten)-"We Are the Church"

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn #516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



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Sermon

Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For the Church, those who serve her as ministers and all her members, that we come with repentant hearts before the Lord and be grateful for the mercy that sustains us in this life and gives us life everlasting, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our president, governor, Congress, legislators, judges, and magistrates, that we be protected from our enemies and preserved in freedom to serve the Lord without constraint and with clear conscience, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the rich that they be grateful for their blessings and use them in service to those in need and for the poor that God would sustain them and keep them from bitterness and complaint, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this congregation, our pastor and all our parish leaders, that the Lord equip us with a spirit of humility that we walk in His ways and confess faithfully His Gospel before all people, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick, the suffering, the aged, the infirm, those in their last days, and those who grieve for those they have lost, [*especially . . .*], that the Lord grant them healing in accordance with His will, grace to endure the day of trouble, and peace at the last, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

℗ For gratitude and thanksgiving, that we use the resources the Lord has supplied to honor His name and that we return to Him the tithes and offerings He is due for all His mercies, let us pray to the Lord.

℃ **Lord, have mercy.**

Local petitions may be offered here.

℗ Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

℃ **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

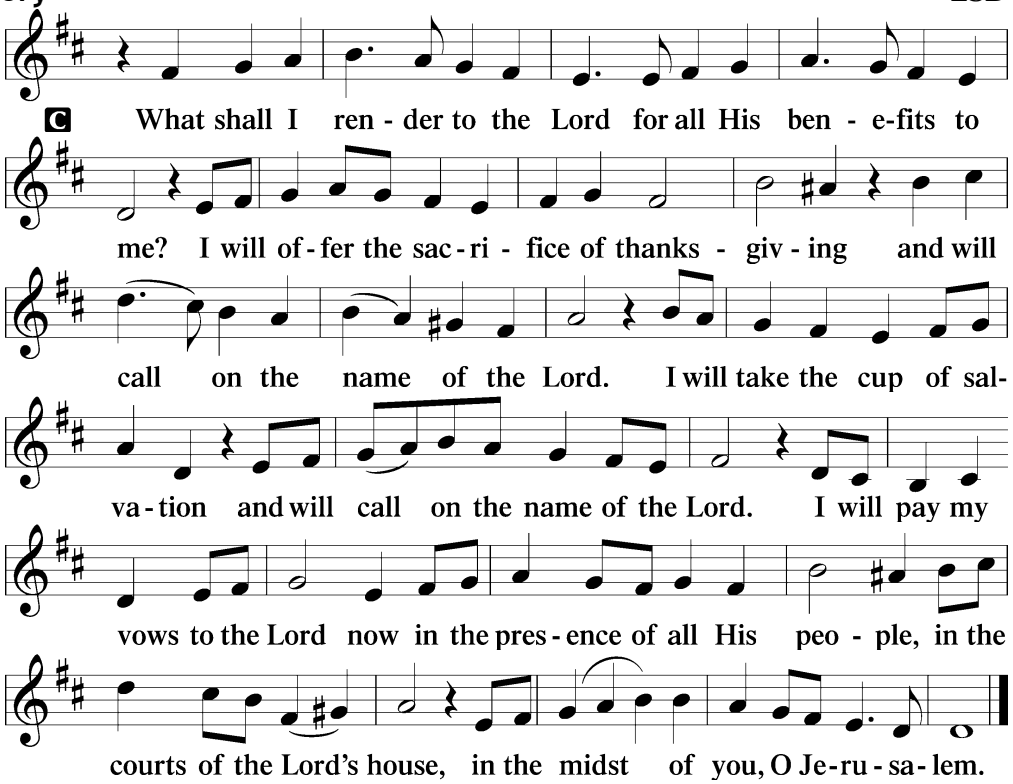
℃ **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Offering

Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry here at Trinity Lutheran Church and School. Your offerings are gifts to God. They help us serve Him as a witness to our community. As you continue to place your offerings in the baskets, mail them to the church office, or give through our online giving opportunities, (follow the "Giving" link on the Trinity website at www.trinitymonitor.org or text the word "GIVE" to 989-270-0281 and follow the directions) know that we seek to use these resources to the glory of God and the furthering of His Kingdom.

Offertory

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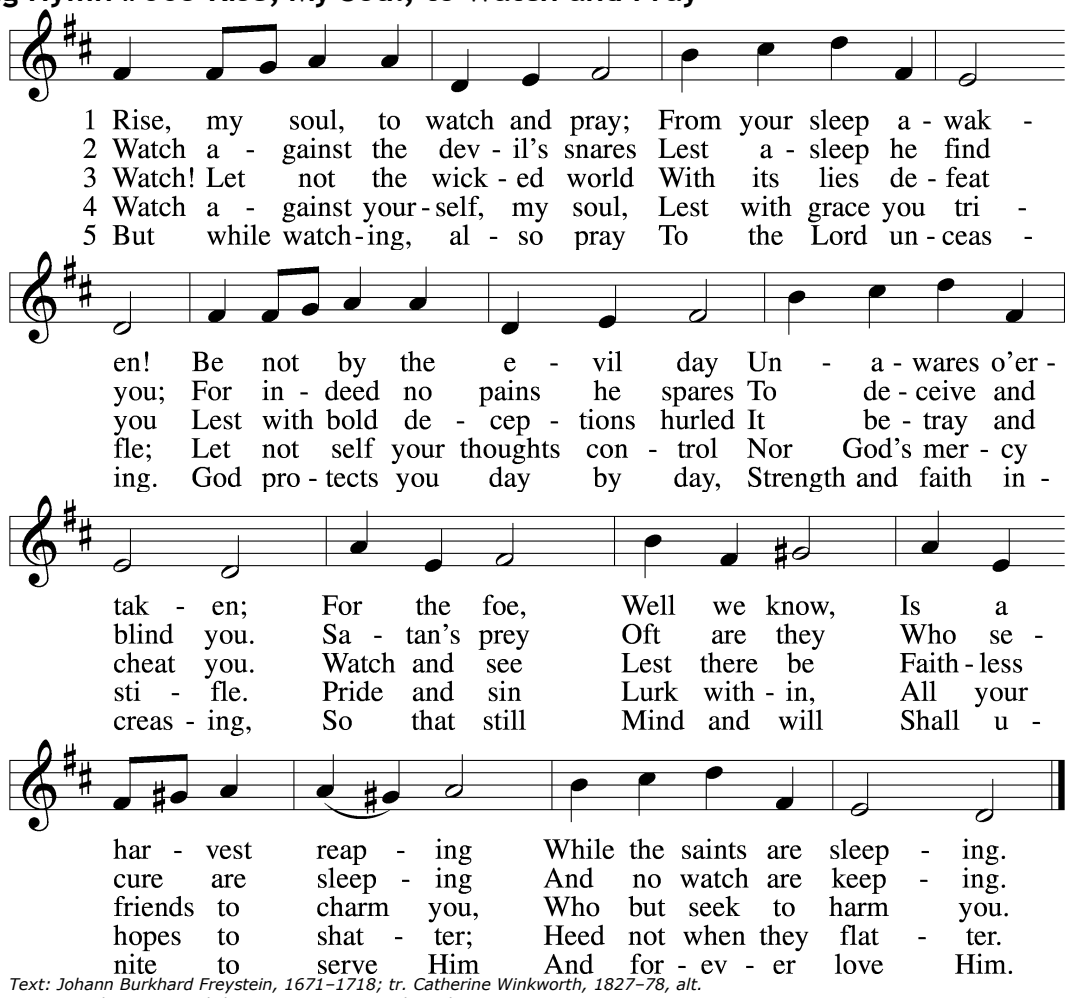


(10:30) Welcome 2026 New Members: Chris, Sarah, Morgen & Jacob Earle, Bill & Julie Helmreich, Rick & Becky Houghteling, Catherine Hutter, Vernon Leppanen, Bryan, Melissa, Logan & Kylie Owczarzak, Patricia Warner, Paul, Myra & Avery Wood

Benediction *LSB 183*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn #663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray



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OCTOBER TOTALS			
General Fund	$43,934.83	Budgeted Income Needed Each Month	$67,101.00
Missions	$890.00	General Fund Total for October	$43,934.83
BFF	$170.00	TOTAL	-$23,166.17
Church Maintenance	$355.00		
School Maintenance	$65.00		
Tuition Assistance	$175.00		
Lutheran World Relief	$00.00		
TOTAL	**$45,589.83** **Does not include $16,000 Wild Game Dinner HVAC gift.*		
****Memorials included in the totals above: $00.00***			

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Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry at Trinity Lutheran Church and School.

ATTENDANCE		
11/1	1st	106
	2nd	76
11/4	WOW	23
TOTAL		205

CALENDAR			
Today	11/8	11:30am	New Member Luncheon
		6:00pm	Harvest Dinner Wrap Up Meeting
Tuesday	11/10	6:00pm	Friendship Guild
		7:00pm	Athletic Club
Wednesday	11/11	7:30am	Veteran's Day Program
		4:45pm	Public School Confirmation
		6:00pm	Worship
		7:00pm	Bible Study
Saturday	11/14	9:00am-3:00pm	Valley Lutheran Fall Craft Bazaar
Sunday	11/15	8:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Worship w/Communion
		9:40am	Bible Study & Sunday School

Dear Trinity,

We are blessed to have such a caring and dedicated church family, and we believe that together we can make an even greater impact. Our church and school ministries Thrive because of the willing hearts and helping hands of our members. We invite you to prayerfully consider joining us in service—whether it's a Trustee, Stewardship, Usher, Finance Committee or Head Usher. Every contribution, big or small, makes a difference in the lives we touch. Let's work together to share God's love and strengthen His church. If you feel called to serve or have questions about this, please reach out—we would be honored to have you on the team.

God's Blessings,
Dave Friebe,
Chairman
989-430-5232

THANK YOU: On behalf of Richard Ellis and his family, thank you so much to everyone who has remembered him in there thoughts and prayers and send cards and get-well wishes to him during this difficult time. Your continued prayers and support are greatly appreciated.

HOLIDAY MARKET: Trinity PTO will be having a Holiday Market on December 5th from 10:00am-4:00pm in the school gymnasium. Discover unique handmade items, seasonal treats, and one of a kind gifts, and a variety of items from local vendors and consultants, such as Pampered Chef, Avon, and Scentsy. If you are interested in selling your items, scan the QR code to reserve your space.

TRINITY'S TINY TREASURE CHRISTMAS STORE: Trinity's Tiny Treasure Christmas Store will be here before we know it! Hosted by the school's Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), this special Christmas tradition gives students the opportunity to shop for gifts for family and friends, with items priced between $1 and $5. We are now accepting donations! New and gently used items are greatly appreciated, including toys, Christmas decorations, household items, trinkets, and other treasures. The kids look forward to this event every year and have so much fun shopping for their loved ones! Please drop off donations in the school office by November 27. Thank you for helping make this special tradition possible for our students!

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT: The Ladies of the LWML/Friendship Guild will be hosting our annual Advent By CandleLight event again this year:

Date: November 29, 2026
Time: 3:00pm
Place: Trinity Lutheran Gym

Please consider signing up to host a table or two. Invite friend and family to share this special event. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church. You can sign up to either host a table or be a guest at a table if you do not wish to host. For questions or more information please call Nancy Klaus (989)280-4913.

GIVING TREE: Stewardship has a Giving Tree in the back of the church. This will benefit the Foster Family Navigation in our area. Please take a tag and bring the item back in any bag by Thanksgiving. Thank you!

TODAY AT YSC: Today, Nov. 8 at Grace at noon! Prayer! Why do we pray? What's the purpose? For what and whom are we to pray? How does our Lord teach us to pray with the inconveniences in life? Let's have a great discussion on prayer using Luke 11! Prayer is not "a have to" but "a get to"! Prayer is such a good gift from God!

(Parents: if you'd like to sign up to provide a lunch for our YSC youth, you can do so here: tinyurl.com/4fnjt2jz or call Grace's church office at 989-662-6161.)

NEWS FROM VALLEY LUTHERAN

The **VL Fall Craft Bazaar**, featuring over 50 vendors, will be held Saturday, November 14 from 9 am - 3 pm at Valley Lutheran, 3560 McCarty Rd., Saginaw. Lunch will be available from 11 am - 1 pm.

You are invited to the **Fall Instrumental Concert** at Valley Lutheran on Sunday, November 22 at 3 pm. Doors to the gymnasium will open at 2:30 pm.

Planning to join the VL Class of 2031? **New student applications** for the 2027-2028 school years are now open! Begin your path to becoming a Charger at www.vlhs.com/apply. Contact admissions@vlhs.com with any questions or to learn more about the VL experience!

Did you know…?
Valley's mission - preparing students for life with Christ as our foundation - is living and active. Recent evidence? Our 2026 Advanced Placement score report which featured an impressive 95% overall passing rate on exams, 100% passing rate in 6 subject areas, and consistently higher passing rates than both state and national averages. Wow! Not only do VL students benefit from college credit earned while still in high school and future tuition money saved, more importantly this is evidence that they are equipped with the knowledge, thinking skills, and work ethic that will clearly translate to success in their next steps. VL students are prepared!