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Worship On Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Bible Study: 9:40 a.m. (September-May)
Sunday School: 9:40 a.m. (September-April)

Confession and Absolution

545 Word of God, Come Down on Earth



1 Word of God, come down on earth, Liv - ing rain from
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to
3 Word that caused blind eyes to see, Speak and heal our
4 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, One with God be -



heav'n de - scend - ing; Touch our hearts and bring to birth
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,
mor - tal blind - ness; Deaf we are: our heal - er be;
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove,



Faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,
Cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, Sav - ing Word, the
Loose our tongues to tell Your kind - ness. Be our Word in
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to



we re - vere You; Word made flesh, we long to hear You.
world re - stor - ing, Speak to us, Your love out - pour - ing.
pit - y spo - ken, Heal the world, by sin now bro - ken.
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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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 28:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: v. 8

The LORD is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,

lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,

when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

Blessèd be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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.

The LORD is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Kyrie

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P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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 mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis

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



C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
 us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
 Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a - lone are the
 Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord, You a -
 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

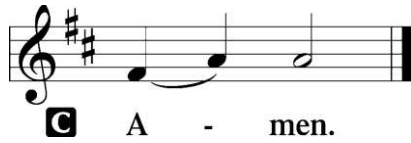
P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 35:4–7a

⁴Say to those who have an anxious heart,

“Be strong; fear not!

Behold, your God

will come with vengeance,

with the recompense of God.

He will come and save you.”

⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,

and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶then shall the lame man leap like a deer,

and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

For waters break forth in the wilderness,

and streams in the desert;

⁷the burning sand shall become a pool,

and the thirsty ground springs of water.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

James 2:1–10, 14–18

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. . . .

¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

¹⁸But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Holy Gospel

Mark 7:24–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The melody is written above the lyrics.

²⁴From there [Jesus] arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. ²⁵But immediately a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophenician by birth. And she begged him to cast

the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷And he said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹And he said to her, "For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message

797 Praise the Almighty



1 Praise the Al - might - y, my soul, a - dore Him!
 2 Trust not in rul - ers; they are but mor - tal;
 3 Bless - ed, oh, bless - ed are they for - ev - er
 4 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,
 △ 5 Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly



Yes, I will laud Him un - til death; With songs and
 Earth - born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
 Whose help is from the Lord Most High, Whom from sal -
 Par - don and peace from Him ob - tain; Ev - er the
 Of Him who does such won - drous things! All that has



an - thems I come be - fore Him As long as
 coun - sels at life's last por - tal, When the dark
 va - tion can noth - ing sev - er, And who in
 wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, Their faith - ful
 be - ing, to praise Him sole - ly, With hap - py



He al - lows me breath. From Him my life and
 grave en - gulfs its prey. Since mor - tals can no
 hope to Christ draw nigh. To all who trust in
 God He will re - main. He helps His chil - dren
 heart its a - men sings. Chil - dren of God, with



all things came; Bless, O my soul, His ho - ly name.
 help af - ford, Place all your trust in Christ, our Lord.
 Him, our Lord Will aid and coun - sel now af - ford.
 in dis - tress, The wid - ows and the fa - ther - less.
 an - gel host Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Sermon

Apostles' Creed

**☐ 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.

(10:30) Dedication of Teachers & Staff

Prayer of the Church

- P** Dear heavenly Father, strengthen us to fight the good fight of faith. Give us boldness and confidence to speak Your Word of mercy and justice in a world that does not care to listen. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord, raise up faithful pastors, missionaries, teachers, and other church leaders. Stir up the hearts of Your faithful people to serve You with gladness and humility. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord, walk with all those who are grieving the death of loved ones, [*especially . . .*]. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord, give strength and patience to those who are struggling financially. Raise up people and institutions that will assist them in their struggles. Help us all to look with mercy upon those who need help. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Lord, we pray for the government of our nation, our state, and our city. Raise up faithful leaders who will defend the weak and fight for justice and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [*especially . . .*]. Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord, we commend all of these things to Your infinite mercies, which are new every morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer. Amen.**

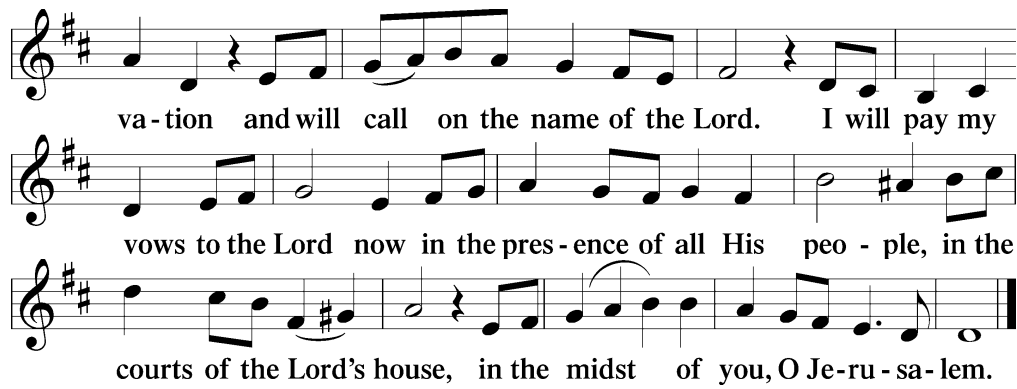
Offering

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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What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
 vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

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 A - men.

685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus (School Hymn of the Month)



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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CALENDAR			
Monday	9/9	7:00 p.m.	Voter's Meeting
Tuesday	9/10	6:00 p.m.	Friendship Guild
		7:00 p.m.	Athletic Club
Wednesday	9/11	8:15 a.m.	Chapel
		6:00 p.m.	Worship
Sunday	9/15	8:30 a.m.	Worship w/Communion
		9:40-10:20 a.m.	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship w/Communion

CONTRIBUTION			
General Fund	Totals will be listed in next week's bulletin.	WOW	26
Missions		1st	68
BFF		2nd	45
Church Maintenance		Total	139
Total			
Memorials	\$0	*Included in the totals above.	

SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT BIBLE STUDY:
 Today kicks off a new season of Sunday School and Bible Study. Both will meet at the school at 9:40 a.m.-10:20 a.m. The Sunday School program is for preschool-4th grade students and will be held in the kindergarten classroom. Adult Bible Class will again meet in the cafeteria. We will be picking up where we left off with the Truth Project videos in the spring and we look forward to a lively presentation and discussion each week. Please take advantage of these educational opportunities each week as we continue to grow as the body of Christ here at Trinity Monitor!

PICTORIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Sign up continues for sitting dates for the Pictorial Directory. The dates for September are Wednesday, September 18th, Thursday, September 19th, Friday, September 20th and Saturday, September 21st. If you have not signed up yet, PLEASE do so as soon as possible! Sign up is

- STAFF 2024-2025**
 Pre-Teacher/Director-Becca Setula
 Preschool-Mikayla Ziolkowski
 Kindergarten-Karrie Estes
 1st Grade-Megan Gallagher
 2nd Grade-Kelli Dent
 3rd Grade-Becky Houghteling
 4th Grade-Sarah Earle
 5th Grade-Suzanne Tomashewsky
 6th Grade-Brenden Harrison
 7th & 8th Grade-Judy Jean
 School Secretary-Amy Samborn
 Church Secretary-Lisa Mrozinski
 Technology-John Mrozinski
 Hot Lunch-Yvonne Tennant
 Extended Care-Ann Wegener
 Extended Care-Dale Fish
 Athletic Director-Karen Friebe
 Athletic Director-Nicole Marter
 Athletic Director-Adam Wuerfel

available online as well as after church the next 3 Sundays. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the church office. To book online, visit www.ucdir.com, click “Photography Appointment Scheduling Login”, enter our church code **mi1892** and password **photos**. Click desired date then “Reserve Time” button. Fill in all required fields, then click “Schedule Appointment”. If you have more than six people in your family, schedule two appointments back to back. Print the next screen to use as your reminder for your appointment date and time. If you need to change or cancel an appointment, call the church office or email churchsecretary@trinitymonitor.org.

TRINITY/GRACE YOUTH GROUPS: Next Sunday, September 15th, Trinity Monitor invites all high school students to join us at “The Gate” (Grace And Trinity Engage). We will meet in the Trinity School cafeteria at noon for our kickoff event. “The Gate” will meet on the first and third Sundays of each month at Trinity from noon to 1:30 p.m.

The Youth Service Corps (middle schoolers, 5th-8th grade) begins on Sunday, September 22nd and will meet on the second and fourth Sundays of each month from noon to 1:30 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church in Auburn.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for volunteers to help with the Hot Lunch Program at Trinity. Yvonne Tennant has been helping with the Hot Lunch Program in some capacity for over 5 years. As well as having a full time 2nd shift job, Yvonne will now also be our full time lunch lady. This year we will be using reusable trays, silverware, and cups. This will help reduce the cost of the program while reducing waste, and will help make lunches more affordable for families. By doing this, it will add more work.

This is where the help is needed. If you would be interested in volunteering to help with clean up (dishes, wash tables, and sweeping the floor) after lunch is served, you can sign up by following the link www.signupgenius.com/go/409084FA4AC2FABFE3-50781062-lunch, scanning the QR code, or calling the school office at (989)662-4891.

OKTOBERFEST: St. John Amelith Oktoberfest is happening September 14, 2024. The event begins at 11:30am with a prayer service and continues until 7pm with free activities for the whole family. Music from the Frankentrost Band, Gemutlichkeit Verein Singers, and Floyd

Grocholski's Family Tradition. We are pre-selling tickets for the German dinner for a \$15 donation and have them available in the St. John Amelith office at 1664 Amelith Rd. We will also have concessions available during the event for those not interested in the German dinner. We look forward to sharing this day with you!

VLHS HOMECOMING AND GRAND TAILGATE: Homecoming Week at VLHS is coming up soon - September 16-21! You are invited to attend an athletic event throughout the week, or join us at Friday's Grand Tailgate, parade, and football game! The week's events can be found at www.vlhs.com/hoco24. On Friday September 20, the Grand Tailgate will begin at 4:30 complete with hot dogs and water at a central VL tent, inflatables and games for kids, and the Homecoming Parade at 5:45 p.m. (Detailed information about the tailgate is at www.vlhs.com/HCTailgate.) The football game kicks off at 7 p.m. versus Hemlock; tickets are \$5 at the gate. Presentation of the Homecoming Court and crowning of the King and Queen will be at halftime. All are invited to join the festivities!

HYMN FESTIVAL "GLAD HYMNS FOREVER: ALLELUIA!": On Saturday, October 5 @ 3:30 p.m. Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing, Michigan will be hosting a hymn festival entitled "Glad Hymns Forever." This hymn festival will take place at the conclusion of the Thumb Circuit Convocation and will feature Rev. Stephen Starke as commentator. There will be a Mass Choir comprised of members from area congregations, instrumentalists, and pipe organ. Anyone who wishes to participate in the mass choir should contact Nathan Beethe at kantor.graceauburn@gmail.com. Please mark your calendars for this exciting event! We hope you will join us!

SPECIAL EDUCATION MINISTRIES: Lutheran Special Education Ministries is looking for a part-time resource room teacher position at Faith Lutheran School in Bay City, MI. Applicants must hold a current Michigan Teaching License and have a special education certification/endorsement. Interested applicants looking for more information or wishing to submit a resume are asked to contact Richard Schumacher at (734) 748-5253 or email him at rschumacher@luthsped.org.

BAY CIRCUIT CONVOCATION: All are invited to a special gathering of Bay Circuit Congregations at St. Paul Lutheran of Frankenlust on September 14th at 9:00 a.m. The speaker that day will be Samer "Sam" Makarios, an Arab Christian who has served as a guide in the Holy Land for 25 years. He was born in Jerusalem, where his father owns a small shop in the Christian Quarter of the Old City. Sam is in great demand as a tour guide for groups traveling to Israel, not only because of his first-hand knowledge of the Holy Land and its many sacred sites, but also because his vibrant faith in Jesus is an important part of the information he shares. His extensive knowledge of the Bible and his unique perspective as a life-long resident of Israel enables him to teach and inspire those who are privileged to hear him. Sam's presentation will be followed by a meal at noon provided by members of St. Paul, with expenses covered by a generous grant from our Michigan District Church Extension Fund."