

**"If they
do not listen
to Moses and
the prophets,**

**neither will
they be convinced
even if someone rises
from the dead."**

Luke 16:31, NRSV



Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and School.

We gather to worship the only God and Savior: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Learn a thing or two about life

September 28, 2025

Trinity 15

Jesus' story about the rich man and poor Lazarus sparks our interest about things beyond the grave. It's worth an in-depth look. Even more, the lessons Jesus teaches from his story are ones we need to relearn and remember for this life before the grave. Jesus wants to teach us a thing or two about life.

Today's 8:00 a.m. worship is broadcast live on YouTube. The YouTube link can be found at the church's website:

- holytrinity.church

After the service, the recording can be accessed at the same YouTube site.

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ORDER OF SERVICE — SETTING ONE

Hymn 918 Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, be pres - ent now; our hearts in
2 Un - seal our lips to sing your praise; our souls to
3 Un - til we join the hosts that cry, "O ho - ly,
4 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



true de - vo - tion bow. Your Spir - it send with
you in wor - ship raise. Make strong our faith; in -
ho - ly Lord Most High!" And in the light of
Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed



grace di - vine, and let your truth with - in us shine.
crease our light that we may know your name a - right
that blest place we then shall see you face to face.
Trin - i - ty, be praise through-out e - ter - ni - ty!

Please stand.

P: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION

P: We are in God's house.

We humble ourselves before him, confess our sins, and trust his forgiveness.

C: The Lord is in his holy temple.

Let the whole earth be silent in his presence.

P: God's law speaks so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world subject to God's judgment.

**C: No one is justified in God's sight by obeying his law.
Knowledge of sin comes through the law.**

P: We acknowledge and confess to God our sin against him.

**C: Nothing good lives in my sinful flesh.
I do not do the good that I want to do.
I do the evil that I do not want to do.
God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
All have been justified freely by God's grace through the redemption that is
in Christ Jesus.
I forgive you in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: I am justified by faith in him.

P: Baptized into his death and burial, we have been raised with him to new life.

**C: We offer ourselves to God as tools for righteousness.
We are not under law but under grace.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Mercifully grant, O God, that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and
rule our hearts, for without your help we are unable to please you; through
your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

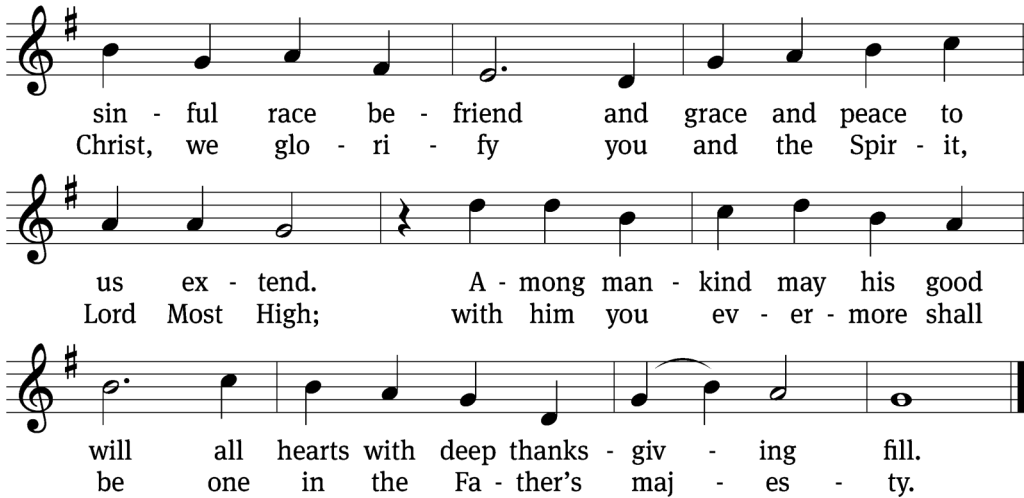
Hymn 936 stanzas 1,5 All Glory Be to God Alone



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, for -
5 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One; o'er



ev - er - more the high - est One, who did our
all things you are Lord a - lone. O Je - sus



sin - ful race be - friend and grace and peace to
Christ, we glo - ri - fy you and the Spir - it,

us ex - tend. Lord Most High; A - mong man - kind may his good
with him you ev - er - more shall

will all hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.
be one in the Fa - ther's maj - es - ty.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson — Amos 6:1-7

Woe to those who are at ease in Zion
and to those who feel secure on the hill of Samaria —
the notable people in this first of the nations,
those the house of Israel comes to.

Cross over to Calneh and see;
go from there to great Hamath;
then go down to Gath of the Philistines.

Are you better than these kingdoms?
Is their territory larger than yours?
You dismiss any thought of the evil day
and bring in a reign of violence.

They lie on beds inlaid with ivory,
sprawled out on their couches,
and dine on lambs from the flock
and calves from the stall.

They improvise songs to the sound of the harp
and invent their own musical instruments like David.

They drink wine by the bowlful
 and anoint themselves with the finest oils
 but do not grieve over the ruin of Joseph.
 Therefore, they will now go into exile
 as the first of the captives,
 and the feasting of those who sprawl out
 will come to an end.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146



1 Praise the Al - might - y; my soul, a - dore him!
 2 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,
 3 Trust not in princ - es, they are but mor - tal;
 4 Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly



Yes, I will laud him un - til death. With songs and
 par - don and peace from him ob - tain; ev - er the
 earth-born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
 of him who does such won-drous things! All that has



an - thems I'll come be - fore him as long as
 wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, their faith - ful
 coun - sels at life's last por - tal when the dark
 be - ing, to praise him sole - ly, with hap - py



he al - lows me breath. From him my life and
 God he will re - main. He helps his chil - dren
 grave will claim its prey. Since, then, no one can
 heart its a - men sings! Chil - dren of God, with

all things came; bless, O my soul, his ho - ly
 in dis - tress, the wid - ows and the fa - ther -
 help af - ford, trust on - ly Christ, our God and
 an - gel host praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly
 name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 less. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Ghost! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Second Lesson—Hebrews 13:1-6

Let brotherly love continue. Don't neglect to show hospitality, for by doing this some have welcomed angels as guests without knowing it. Remember those in prison, as though you were in prison with them, and the mistreated, as though you yourselves were suffering bodily. Marriage is to be honored by all and the marriage bed kept undefiled, because God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. Keep your life free from the love of money. Be satisfied with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or abandon you."

Therefore, we may boldly say,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can man do to me?"

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Your words are my joy and my heart's de - light.

Gospel – Luke 16:19-31

“There was a rich man who would dress in purple and fine linen, feasting lavishly every day. But a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, was lying at his gate. He longed to be filled with what fell from the rich man’s table, but instead the dogs would come and lick his sores. One day the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torment in Hades, he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off, with Lazarus at his side. ‘Father Abraham!’ he called out, ‘Have mercy on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this flame!’

“‘Son,’ Abraham said, ‘remember that during your life you received your good things, just as Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here, while you are in agony. Besides all this, a great chasm has been fixed between us and you, so that those who want to pass over from here to you cannot; neither can those from there cross over to us.’

“‘Father,’ he said, ‘then I beg you to send him to my father’s house — because I have five brothers — to warn them, so that they won’t also come to this place of torment.’

“But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’

“‘No, father Abraham,’ he said. ‘But if someone from the dead goes to them,

they will repent.’

“But he told him, ‘If they don’t listen to Moses and the prophets, they will not be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.’”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated.

Hymn 712 *Delay Not! Delay Not*



1 De - lay not! De - lay not! O sin - ner, draw near!
2 De - lay not! De - lay not, O sin - ner, to come,
3 De - lay not! De - lay not! The Spir - it of grace,
4 De - lay not! De - lay not! Why long - er a - buse



The wa - ters of life are now flow - ing for you.
for mer - cy still lin - gers and calls you to - day.
long grieved and re - sist - ed, may take his sad flight
the love and com - pas - sion of Je - sus, your God?



No price is de - mand - ed, the Sav - ior is here;
Its voice is not heard in the vale of the tomb;
and leave you in dark - ness to fin - ish your race,
A foun - tain is o - pened—how can you re - fuse?



re - demp - tion is pur - chased, God’s prom - ise is true.
its mes - sage, un - heed - ed, will soon pass a - way.
to sink in the gloom of e - ter - ni - ty’s night.
Come, wash and be cleansed in his par - don - ing blood.

Sermon—Luke 16:19-31

Learn a thing or two about life

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

The ability to give from the heart is itself a gift from God. We thank God for the means to give. Even more, we thank God for the motive to give. Christ gave himself for us. We give as Christians out of love for Christ.

You may place your offering in the plates or use [Online Giving](#).

The QR code at right will also take you to the giving site.

Thank you for your offerings.



MUSICAL OFFERING

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord Jesus, your perfect life and innocent death paid the all-sufficient price for the sins of the world. You descended into hell to proclaim your victory there and to prove that you had triumphed over Satan and his angels. You have shut hell and opened heaven to us and all believers. Let your victory for us strengthen our hearts and defend us against our enemies all the days of our lives.

Good Shepherd, your heart of compassion led you to reach out to the lost and wandering. You know the dear people in our lives who are not following you. Our heart longs for them to know the joy and peace that come from hearing your voice and following where you lead. According to your gracious will, give us openings to share the gospel with them. Keep us from being a stumbling block to them. Prepare us to be ready always to share with them the reason for the hope that we have.

Light of the world, Lord Jesus Christ, please also hear our prayer on behalf of all members of non-Christian religions. You died for them too. You have ready for them, this very moment, the life-purpose and salvation they crave from their false teachers and false gods. Open their eyes to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in you.

Hear us as we bring you our personal prayers.

Silent prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

Hymn 946 *Jesus, Lamb of God*

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Re - deem - er, Re - deem - er of the world,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Trinity offers the Lord's Supper to communicant members of our congregation (and congregations in WELS and ELS). If you are not a communicant member and are interested in going through a course of study to prepare for receiving the Lord's Supper here, please speak with the pastor.

P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: **his mercy endures forever.**

P: How can we thank you, Father, for allowing us to worship in your house today! We have heard the promises of your love in the gospel. We have praised you, confessed you, and prayed for your blessings. We have been strengthened by the word and witness of others. Keep our faith strong as long as we live out the tasks of our life, take away our doubts and fears, and give us courage to share the good news of your Son wherever we go and however we can.

C: **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn 641 stanzas 1-3,5,7 Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, with us a - bide, for round us
2 In these last days of sore dis - tress grant us, dear
3 O God, how sin's dread works a - bound! Through-out the
5 O keep us in your Word, we pray; the guile and
7 O grant that in your ho - ly Word we here may



falls the e - ven - tide, nor let your Word,
Lord, true stead - fast - ness that pure we keep,
earth no rest is found, and false-hood's spir -
rage of Sa - tan stay. Oh, may your mer -
live and die, dear Lord; and when our jour -



that heav'n-ly light, for us be ev - er veiled in night.
till life is spent, your ho - ly Word and sac - ra - ment.
it wide has spread, and er - ror bold - ly rears its head.
cy nev - er cease; give con - cord, pa-tience, cour - age, peace.
ney's end - ing here, re - ceive us in - to glo - ry there.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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Sunday Education

Sunday education for all ages begins at 9:15 a.m.

Meditations

Due to shipping and supply issues we will not be getting our regular *Meditations* order. Local churches are helping us out with a limited supply.

Ladies Group

The ladies group will meet on Saturday, October 4, at 9:00 a.m. to plan upcoming events. All ladies are invited. Ladies, please check your church box for information on what was discussed at our last meeting.

This week at Holy Trinity

Wednesday..... 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible class
Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m. Bible information class
Saturday 9:00 a.m. Ladies group meeting