





Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and School.

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

## **Don't be afraid, it's time to serve**

**October 19, 2025**

**Synod Anniversary Celebration**

Today we join other churches in WELS to celebrate the 175th anniversary of our synod. The Lord Jesus has been very gracious to us over the years and richly blessed our service. We thank and praise him for that. We pray for his continuing grace and blessing upon us.



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](http://holytrinity.church)

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

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*Remain seated.*

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Today we join to give thanks to our gracious God for the 175th anniversary of our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. It is appropriate for us to praise and thank him with a psalm.

### **Responsive Psalm — 115**

Not to us, O LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory,  
because of your love and faithfulness.

Why do the nations say, “Where is their God?”

**Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him.**

But their idols are silver and gold, made by the hands of men.  
They have mouths, but cannot speak, eyes, but they cannot see;  
they have ears, but cannot hear, noses, but they cannot smell;  
they have hands, but cannot feel, feet, but they cannot walk;  
nor can they utter a sound with their throats.

**Those who make them will be like them,  
and so will all who trust in them.**

O house of Israel, trust in the LORD —  
**he is their help and shield.**

O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD —  
**he is their help and shield.**

You who fear him, trust in the LORD —  
**he is their help and shield.**

The LORD remembers us and will bless us:

he will bless the house of Israel,

he will bless the house of Aaron,

**he will bless those who fear the LORD — small and great alike.**

May the LORD make you increase, both you and your children.

**May you be blessed by the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

The highest heavens belong to the LORD, but the earth he has given to man.

It is not the dead who praise the LORD, those who go down to silence;  
it is we who extol the LORD, both now and forevermore.

**Praise the LORD.**

*Hymn 582 Not unto Us*



1 Not un - to us, not un - to us be glo - ry, Lord;  
2 A - maz - ing grace— that chose us ere the worlds were made;  
3 O faith - ful love— that shep - herd - ed through faith - less years;  
4 Not un - to us but to your name be glo - ry, Lord,



not un - to us but to your name be praise;  
a - maz - ing grace— that sent your Son to save;  
for - giv - ing love— that led us to your truth;  
for grace so rich, so wide, so high, so free.



not un - to us but to your name all hon - or be giv'n  
a - maz - ing grace— that robed us in your right - eous - ness  
un - yield - ing love— that would not let us turn— from you  
A - bide with us till trav - 'ling days are o - ver and done,



for match - less mer - cy, for - give - ness, and grace.  
and taught our lips to sing glo - ry and praise.  
but sent us forth to speak par - don and peace.  
and pil - grim feet lead us home, Lord, to you.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

Lord of the church, you have united us in faith and worship to make disciples of all nations and nurture believers for lives of Christian service. Guide our leaders, and help them fulfill their responsibilities with patience and understanding. Keep the congregations of the synod faithful to your

Word, and give them a willingness to support the worldwide mission of your church to the glory of God; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **THE WORD**

### **First Lesson—Deuteronomy 6:1-9**

“This is the command—the statutes and ordinances—the LORD your God has commanded me to teach you, so that you may follow them in the land you are about to enter and possess. Do this so that you may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life by keeping all his statutes and commands I am giving you, your son, and your grandson, and so that you may have a long life. Listen, Israel, and be careful to follow them, so that you may prosper and multiply greatly, because the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you a land flowing with milk and honey.

“Listen, Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. These words that I am giving you today are to be in your heart. Repeat them to your children. Talk about them when you sit in your house and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them be a symbol on your forehead. Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your city gates.”

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Lesson—2 Corinthians 5:18-21**

Everything is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. That is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and he has committed the message of reconciliation to us.

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us. We plead on Christ’s behalf, “Be reconciled to God.” He made the one who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

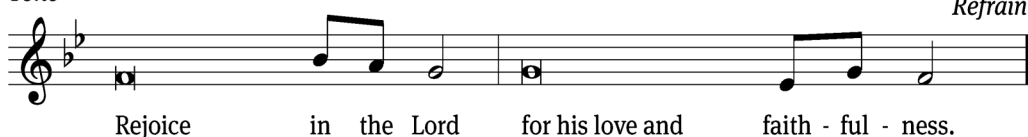
### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### Refrain



### Tone



### Refrain

### Gospel — Luke 5:1-11

As the crowd was pressing in on Jesus to hear God’s word, he was standing by Lake Gennesaret. He saw two boats at the edge of the lake; the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, which belonged to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from the land. Then he sat down and was teaching the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water and let down your nets for a catch.”

“Master,” Simon replied, “we’ve worked hard all night long and caught nothing. But if you say so, I’ll let down the nets.”

When they did this, they caught a great number of fish, and their nets began to tear. So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them; they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’s knees and said, “Go away from me, because I’m a sinful man, Lord!” For he and all those with him were amazed at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John,

Zebedee's sons, who were Simon's partners.

"Don't be afraid," Jesus told Simon. "From now on you will be catching people." Then they brought the boats to land, left everything, and followed him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

#### **CONFESSON OF FAITH**

**I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him.**

**But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.**

**In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.**

**On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.**

**This is most certainly true.**

*Please be seated.*

Hymn 716 O Christ, Who Called the Twelve



1 O Christ, who called the Twelve to rise and fol - low you, for -  
2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve the truth for a - ges sealed, whose  
3 O Christ, who sent the Twelve on roads they'd nev - er trod to  
4 O Christ, th' a - pos - tles' Lord, the mar - tyrs' strength and song, the



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways for ven - tures bold and new:  
words and works a - wak - ened faith, the ways of God re - vealed:  
serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim the near - er reign of God:  
cru - ci - fied and ris - en King to whom the saints be - long:



grant us to hear your call to risk se - cur - i - ty and,  
in - struct us now, we pray, by your em - pow'r - ing Word. True  
send us on ways where faith tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, where  
though gen - er - a - tions pass, our trib - ute still we bring, our



bound in heart and will to you, find per - fect lib - er - ty.  
teach - er, be for all who seek their light, their life, their Lord.  
love in - forms and hope sus - tains both life and min - is - try.  
hymns a sac - ri - fice of praise, our lives an of - fer - ing.

Sermon—Luke 5:1-11

*Don't be afraid, it's time to serve*

Hymn 861 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, you are her one foun -  
2 O Lord, let this your lit - tle flock, your name a - lone con -  
3 Help us to serve you ev - er - more with hearts both pure and  
4 And for your gos - pel let us dare to sac - ri - fice all



da - tion; in you she trusts, be - fore you bows, and waits for  
fess - ing, con - tin - ue in your lov - ing care, true u - ni -  
low - ly; and may your Word, that light di - vine, shine on in  
tre - a - sure; teach us to bear your bless - ed cross, to find in



your sal - va - tion. Built on this rock se - cure, your Church  
ty pos - sess - ing. Your sac - ra - ments, O Lord, and your  
splen - dor ho - ly that we re - pent - ance show, in faith  
you all plea - sure. O grant us stead - fast - ness in joy



shall en - dure though all the world de - cay and all things  
sav - ing Word to us e'er pure re - tain; grant that they  
ev - er grow; the pow'r of sin de - stroy and e - vils  
and dis - tress. Lord, for your mer - cy's sake, let us by



pass a - way. O hear, O hear us, Je - sus!  
may re - main our on - ly strength and com - fort.  
that an - noy, O make us faith - ful Chris - tians.  
grace par - take of end - less joy and glo - ry.

## 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**

P: Gracious Lord, you have redeemed us with the blood of your Son, brought us to faith by the work of your Spirit, and promised to keep us in faith through Word and sacraments. Accept our humble thanks for these blessings.

**C: Help us to rejoice in them and to use them faithfully.**

P: Gracious Lord, you have brought us together in a church body in which your truth is proclaimed, the message of reconciliation through your Son is still the central teaching, and the focus of mission is to reach the lost and strengthen the saved. For this gift of your grace, we give you thanks.

**C: Rekindle our zeal for the work you have set before us.**

P: Gracious Lord, you have given us opportunities to share your Word in our country and throughout the world. We thank you for the faithful service of our church leaders. Thank you for moving the hearts of young people to prepare for the teaching and preaching ministry. Help us view them as your precious gifts.

**C: Give us the willingness and the means to put them to work in your vineyard.**

P: You have brought us together as a church body that we may show forth your praises. Help us as individuals, as congregations, and as a synod to let our light shine so that more people may be led to glorify you. When we fall short of living and working together as your holy people, forgive us.

**C: Renew in all of us dedication to humble service to you and to one another.**

*Special prayers.*

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

P: Hear us, help us, and hold your guiding hand over us for Jesus's sake.

## **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.**

## **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.**

*Please be seated.*

*Hymn 855    The Church's One Foundation    (See page 12)*

## **SERVING IN WORSHIP**

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Accompanist: Eva Brauer

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## **Sunday Education**

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

## **Oktoberfest**

Please join us in the gym after second service to celebrate Oktoberfest.

### **Men's Bible study**

The next men's Bible study will be on Saturday, October 25, at 8:00 a.m.

### **ELHS Trunk or Treat**

Come enjoy a safe, family-friendly place to trick or treat on Saturday, October 25, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at Evergreen Lutheran High School. Walk the path through the trunks with all the delicious treats and end by wandering through the caution tape maze.

### **This week at Holy Trinity**

Today ..... 12:00 p.m. Oktoberfest  
Wednesday..... 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible class  
Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m. Bible information class  
Saturday ..... 8:00 a.m. Men's Bible study

Hymn 855    *The Church's One Foundation*



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth;  
3 The Church shall nev - er per - ish. Her dear Lord, to de - fend,  
4 Tho' with a scorn - ful won - der the world sees her op - pressed,  
5 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word.  
her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
to guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish, is with her to the end.  
by schisms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
Tho' there be those that hate her and strive to see her fail,  
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up, "How long?"  
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
and to one hope she press - es, with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
a - gainst both foe and trai - tor she ev - er shall pre - vail.  
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.