



**Holy Trinity
Lutheran
Church**

**Our Mission:
To make disciples
by Baptizing and
Teaching about Jesus.**

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***Our Father Cares for His Children
with the Gospel of His Son***

The sinful heart is filled with *“bitter jealousy and selfish ambition”* (James 3:14), which causes hostility, quarrels and conflicts, even among those who are fellow members of the Body of Christ. This should not be so! Rather, God *“opposes the proud”* with His Law, in order to humble them unto repentance; He *“gives grace to the humble,”* in order to exalt them by His Gospel of forgiveness (James 4:6–10). This true *“wisdom from above”* is found in the gentleness, mercy and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who humbled Himself and sacrificed Himself for the salvation of sinners (James 3:17). He was *“like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter,”* committing Himself to God, His Father, *“who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind”* (Jer. 11:19–20). Therefore, *“after three days,”* His Father exalted Him by raising Him from the dead (Mark 9:31). In Holy Baptism, He takes disciples of all ages into His arms like little children. In receiving Him through repentance and faith in His forgiveness of sins, they receive from His Father a share in the glory of His cross and resurrection (Mark 9:36–37).

Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn LSB 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -
5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -
made you, Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly
fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is
fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has
dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -
prais - es be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?
failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.
might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.
peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him!

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Please stand.

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

LSB 184

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Hebrews 10:22

C who made heaven and earth.

Psalms 124:8

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalms 32:5

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

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *John 20:19-23*
- C** Amen.

Sharing the Peace

Matthew 5:23-24

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 37:5-7; antiphon: v. 4

- P** Delight yourself | in YAHWEH,*
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.
Commit your way | to YAHWEH;*
trust in him, and | he will act.
He will bring forth your righteousness | as the light,*
and your justice as the | noonday.
Be still before YAHWEH and wait patiently | for him;*
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,
over the man who carries out evil de- | vices!

- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

- P** Delight yourself | in YAHWEH,*
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.

Kyrie

LSB 186; Mark 10:47

- C** **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

- P** Glory be to God on high:
C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,**

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with thy spirit.

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.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 11:18–20

¹⁸YAHWEH made it known to me and I knew;
then you showed me their deeds.

¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me
they devised schemes, saying,

“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more.”

²⁰But, O YAHWEH of hosts, who judges righteously,
who tests the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

James 3:13—4:10

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “GOD OPPOSES THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE.” ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

.....Proverbs 3:34

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Alleluia

LSB 190

- C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 9:30–37

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.
- C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³⁰[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” ³²But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to

them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

LSB 191 or inside the back cover of the hymnal

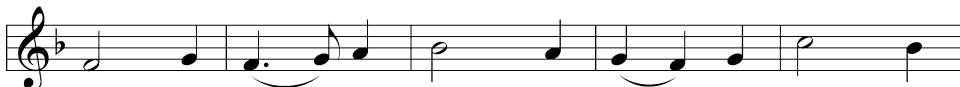
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

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.

Please be seated.

Sermon Hymn LSB 851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,
3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our
4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the
free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your
hum - blest char - i - ty, In Your own mys - te - rious
life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone
 sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to



count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of



and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you?"
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

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Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

C Amen.

Please stand.

Offertory

LSB 192

C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
 Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
 Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
 Amen.

Psalms 51:10-12

Please be seated.

Offering

Please stand.

Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196; Matthew 6:6-13

- 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.
- C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini

LSB 197

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** Amen.
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

LSB 202

- A** Bless we the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

Numbers 6:24-26

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen, amen, amen.

Closing Hymn LSB 725 Children of the Heavenly Father



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His

in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose

heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.



Welcome to our Guests and Visitors! The congregation of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is pleased and honored to have you worship with us today. If you do not have a regular place of worship—**Welcome Home!** We would love to have you join our fellowship, and we have a gift for you. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Taylor and sign our guest book. Thank you for coming!

Choir Practice... resumes TODAY Sunday Sept 22nd. Everyone interested in singing for upcoming events, please gather directly after church at 11:00 am to the front right corner near the piano.

Preschool Board Meeting... will be held on Monday Sept. 23rd at 12:30 pm in the church office.

Fellowship/Ping Pong... continues every Monday evening at 6:00 pm.

Women's Bible Study... will resume on Tuesday September 24th at 9:30 am in the Family Center. We will spend this first meeting catching up from the summer vacation, and introduce our new study on the Old Testament books of Ruth and Esther. Please join us and bring a breakfast item to share!

Our Next Midweek Service... will be Wednesday, September 25th at 7:00 p.m. This Service, as well as all Holy Trinity Services, are live-streamed on our Facebook page: facebook.com/HolyTLAlbion and uploaded usually the next day to our YouTube channel:

youtube.com/@holytrinitylutheranchurch9176 Service bulletins are posted on our website: holytrinitylutheranalbion.org/documents . Please join us in person whenever you are able.

Council Meeting... will be held Thursday Sept 26th @ 6 PM in the Family Center.

LOOKING AHEAD...

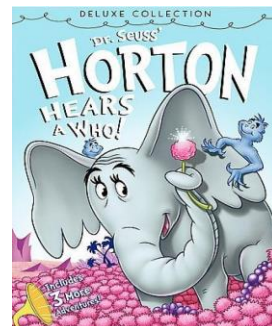
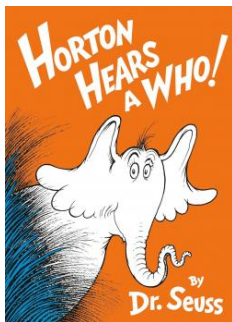
Quarterly Voters' Meeting and Annual Church Picnic... will be held **Sunday September 29th at aproxiamtely 11 a.m.**, immediately following the 10 a.m. Service in the Family Center. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex to let us know what dish you are bringing to share. Holy Trinity is providing hamburgers, hot dogs and paper products. Please join us for a fun time of fellowship and sharing!

Pastor Taylor... will be attending a Pastors' Conference from September 30 through October 5th.

Evening Bible Study... will resume on Tuesday October 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Center.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Library... has over 360 items available to borrow for your educa-tional and entertainment needs. You can teach your grandchildren about the sanctity of life without mentioning the word abortion. We have copies of both the book and the DVD of *Horton Hears a Who!* by Lutheran author **Dr.Seuss**. Introduce your kids to lovable Horton the Elephant who knows that "A person's a person, no matter how small." Come to the church office if you have questions, comments or to see what else we have to offer. Please bring your donation of gently used books, CDs, and DVDs

to the church office. These do not need to be of a religious nature, as we are able to swap them for more desirable titles. You can browse our materials & request items to be placed on hold on the web @ holytrinityalbionlibrary.librarika.com/



Meet Deaconess Melissa Pflug... at a special informational meeting on **Tuesday October 1st at 6:00 PM** in the Family Center. Melissa serves the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as a missionary in the Eurasia region, based in Romania. As regional care coordinator, she works with the Eurasia regional leadership team to ensure that all the Synod's missionaries and their family members are supported during their service. This care includes warmly welcoming new missionary families to the field; providing logistical support for families in finding housing, schools and trusted health care providers; and assisting them with the visa process. The goal of the regional team is to ensure the safety and well-being of all missionary families so that they may joyfully carry out their service.



Melissa was born in Belleville, Ill., but later lived in Missouri and Nebraska before settling in her hometown, Madison, Ind. Faith Lutheran Church, Madison, is her home congregation. Melissa has a bachelor's degree in English and Germanic Studies from Indiana University Bloomington (IUB) and a master's degree in Deaconess Studies from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne (CTSFW). She was the coordinator for the first World Language Festival at IUB and later worked as communications specialist for International Admissions. Her love for learning languages led her to Germany and Spain, where she spent a decade working first as an English instructor and finally as a trademark paralegal for a law firm in Madrid. During her studies at CTSFW, she had the great joy of teaching Sunday school for St. Augustine Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne. In her free time, Melissa enjoys hiking, swimming, and enjoying local music and art. Please come on Tuesday October 1st at 6pm to hear more about this and other missions of the LCMS to spread the Gospel around the world!

Pray daily for Melissa – and how you can support and tell others about her ministry.
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- ✦ **When you change any contact info: your address, email address, phone number, or when enter college or begin military service...** please provide us with your new contact information as soon as possible, so we can keep you informed with Holy Trinity news.
- ✦ **When you are hospitalized or need pastoral care...** notify the church office in advance, or have a family member contact us, so that we may provide pastoral care and support.
- ✦ **When you are physically unable to attend church regularly...** contact us so that we may provide pastoral care and support.
- ✦ **When you have a notice for the weekly ParishScope or monthly Holy Trinity Newsletter...** please submit your information in plenty of time to meet deadlines. The deadline for Sunday bulletin announcements is 1:00 p.m. on the previous Wednesday. Please keep bulletin notices *brief*. *The church office may edit items submitted as necessary.*
- ✦ **When you have special prayer requests...** prayer requests may be submitted to the church office via email, phone, or in person, or a note placed in the offering plate.
- ✦ **When you would like to schedule a wedding or a baptism...** please call the pastor.
- ✦ **When funeral or memorial services are needed...** please make arrangements with the pastor.
- ✦ **When you need to reserve part of the building...** facility use requests are available from the church office and must be submitted in as far advance as possible, so that the board of Trustees can consider them during their monthly business meetings.



PRAYER GUIDE

Those needing healing...

Ken Counasse
David Durfee
Jane Hutchinson, Alice
 Frndak's sister-in-law
Renee & Alyssa Isham
Pastor Blaine Jorg
Polly Klobusnik
Ken Lewis, Tammy
 Podpora's Dad
Emily Marler (daughter of
 Pastor & Susan Taylor)
Shelby, Tracy & Patricia
 Metzenbacher
Jeff & John Metka
 (Susan Taylor's brothers)
Linda (Stevens) Olmstead
Cindy Parobek
Avery Podpora
Ray & Carol Struchen
Russell Struchen
Virginia Taylor (mother of
 Pastor Taylor)

Extended Needs...

Evelyn Stevens

Those in the Armed Services...

Jennifer Attridge
Adam Crosby
Julie Evans
Christopher Fromknecht
Christina Guthrie
Violette Hosack
Nate Lawrence
Joe Moore
John Parmarter
Thomas Reiser
Timothy Reiser
Taylor Sisson
Jarrod White

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Chuck Stevens (b) 9/25



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PEOPLE FOR LIFE BUS TRIP... For the third year in a row, People for Life are organizing a bus trip to the PA March for Life in Harrisburg, with transportation provided by Coach USA on

Monday, September 23. The trip is organized by **National March for Life** in Washington, DC and the **PA Family Institute** in Harrisburg. Your participation is welcomed and greatly appreciated. Buses will leave Erie at 5 a.m. on September 23 and be back in town by 8 p.m. the same day. In Harrisburg, there will be a rally on the steps of the State Capitol at 11 a.m. The March itself will begin at noon and circle the State Capitol Complex. There will be time to explore the Capitol Building and visit your legislators if you like. Bus seats are only \$40 after People for Life absorbs half the cost. See their poster in the narthex for more info.

Schedule for this week
Sept 23 –29

Mon. Sept 23

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours
12:30 pm Preschool Board Mtg.
6:00 pm Fellowship/Ping Pong

Tuesday Sept 24

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours
9:30 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday Sept 25

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours
1:00 pm ParishScope Deadline
7:00 pm Divine Service

Thurs. Sept 26

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours
6:00 pm Council Meeting

Friday Sept 27

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

Saturday Sept 28

Sunday Sept 29 ~ Pentecost 19

9:00 am Bible Study
10:00 am Communion Service
11:00 am Qtr. Voters' Mtg.
12:00 pm Church Picnic

Temple Servants for Sun. Sept 29:

Reader – John Neimla

*Ushers – David Lindenmuth,
EdPodpora*

Elder of the Day – Dale Klobusnik

Elder – Ed Podpora

Altar Guild -- Carolyn Counasse

Liturgical Color-- Green

**Kitchen Administrator for Sept –
Corinna Thorhauer 814-384-0966**

