



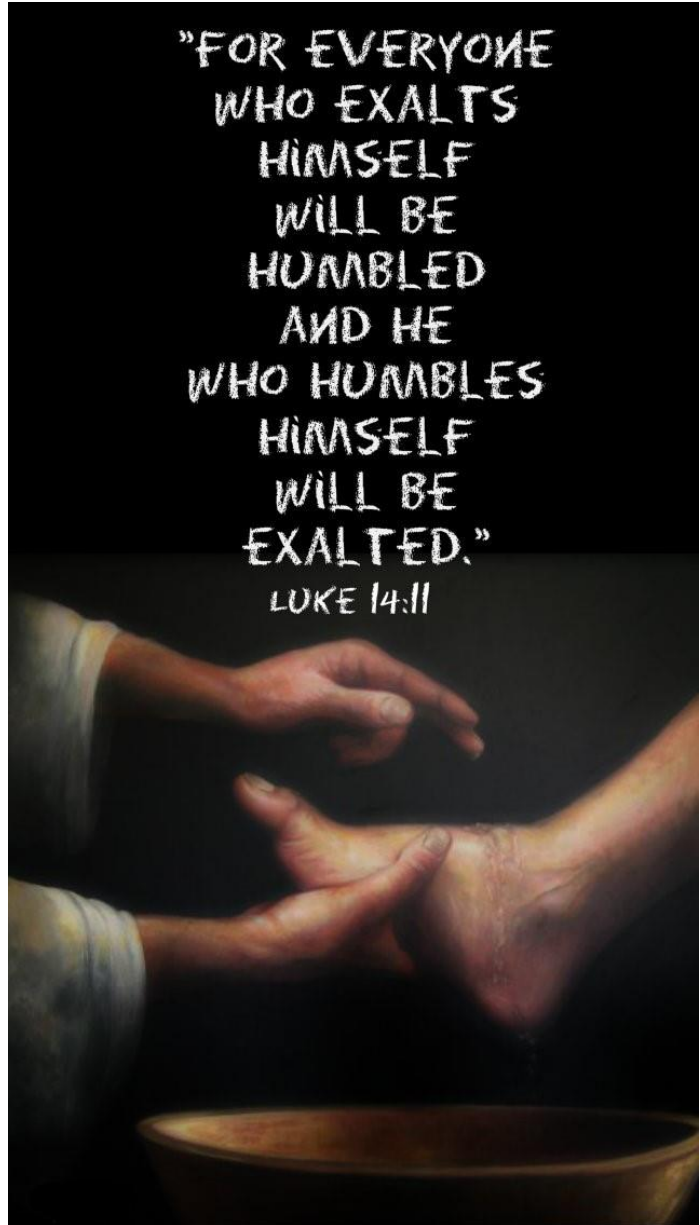
**Holy
Trinity
Lutheran
Church**

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

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Seventeenth Wednesday of Pentecost

SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn LSB 722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,
Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.
With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;
So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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Please stand. 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. LSB 186
- 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.** *Psalm 124:8*
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** *Psalm 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.

Please stand.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 76:1, 4-9

P ¹In Judah | God is known; *
his name is great in | Israel.

⁴Glorious are you, more ma- | jestic *
than the moun- | tains of prey.

⁵The stouthearted were stripped of their spoil;
they sank | into sleep; *

all the men of war were unable to | use their hands.

⁶At your rebuke, O God of | Jacob, *
both rider and | horse lay stunned.

⁷But you, you are | to be feared! *
Who can stand before you
when once your an- | ger is roused?

⁸From the heavens you uttered | judgment; *
the earth feared | and was still,

⁹when God arose to establish | judgment, *
to save all the humble | of the earth.

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 ¹In Judah | God is known; *
his name is great in | Israel.

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,
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, our God, in Holy Baptism You have called us to be Christians and granted us the remission of sins. Make us ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all our sins, and grant us grateful hearts that we may give thanks to You, O Father, to Your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

Please be seated.

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 25:6–14

- ⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great,
⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.
What your eyes have seen
⁸do not hastily bring into court,
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?
⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not reveal another's secret,
¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.
¹¹A word fitly spoken

- is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.
- ¹²Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
is a wise reprover to a listening ear.
- ¹³Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
is a faithful messenger to those who send him;
he refreshes the soul of his masters.
- ¹⁴Like clouds and wind without rain
is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

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

Epistle

Ephesians 4:1–6

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

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

Please stand.

Alleluia

LSB 190

- C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:1–11

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

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” ⁴But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And he said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?” ⁶And they could not reply to these things.

⁷Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up

higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

LSB 191 or inside back cover of hymnal

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

Sermon Hymn LSB 729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus



1 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;
2 I am trust-ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I bow,
3 I am trust-ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son flood;
4 I am trust-ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt lead,



Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.
For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy blood.
Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

5 I am trusting Thee for power;
Thine can never fail.
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me
Must prevail.

6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever
And for all.

Sermon

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- 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

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

- P** The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
- C** And with thy spirit.
- P** Lift up your hearts. *Colossians 3:1*
- C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

Psalm 1:36

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

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.**

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197; Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Cor 11:26

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Rev. 2:20

Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

John 20:19

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

LSB 198; John 1:29

- C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Please be seated.

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first, and then distribute them to those who come to receive.

Please stand.

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199; Luke 2:39-32

- C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. 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.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200; Psalm 107:1

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth forever.

- A** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

Numbers 6:24-26

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 805 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

△ 1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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PARISHSCOPE



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!

Trustees' Meeting... will be held on Thursday September 19th at 6:00 pm in the Family Center.

Choir Practice... will resume Sunday Sept 22nd. Everyone interested in singing for upcoming events, please gather on Sundays 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. Please bring a breakfast item to share. We will spend this first meeting catching up from the summer vacation & discussing the direction to take our study this fall. Please join us!

Our Next Midweek Communion 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.

LOOKING AHEAD...

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

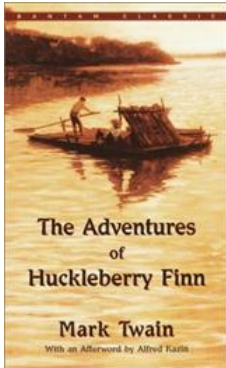
Quarterly Voters' Meeting & Church Picnic... will be held Sunday September 29th immediately after the 10 AM Service @ approx. 11 AM to in the Family Center.

Pastor Taylor... will be attending a pastor's conference from Monday September 30th through Friday October 4th.

Christian Cupboard Food Pantry... in Girard sends Holy Trinity their greetings and thanks for our donation of potatoes and 10% of our proceeds from Heavenly Fries at Dan Rice Days 2024. You can see their thank you note on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Heaven Fries at the Albion Fair... enjoyed the LORD's blessing, beautiful weather and goodwill from our patrons. Our deepest thanks to everyone who helped! We are on track to meet our record for

sales from last year. Final figures will be presented at our next Voters' Meeting on September 29th. Most of all, the gospel in action was demonstrated to the people of Albion. **Glory be to God Alone!**



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Library... has over 350 items available to borrow for your educational and entertainment needs. We have a copy of the great American classic novel ***Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*** by **Mark Twain**. This book has been banned from some libraries for ridiculing religion, racism, and irredeemable vulgarity. Do you agree with this assessment? Why not read it for yourself? 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 2nd 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.



Pray daily for Melissa – and how you can support and tell others about her ministry.

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Renee & Alyssa Isham

Pastor Blaine Jorg

Polly Klobusnik

Ken Lewis, Tammy

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Emily Marler (daughter of

Pastor & Susan Taylor)

Shelby, Tracy & Patricia

Metzenbacher

Jeff & John Metka (Susan

Taylor's brothers)

Linda (Stevens) Olmstead

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God's Word teaches the real presence of Christ's body and blood...

invisibly in, with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins.

We take seriously the spiritual care of those who commune at our altar. The Word of God states that no one offend against Christ and His Word by denying His true presence and its promise and seal of forgiveness.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (see 1 Cor. 11:27-29). Because Holy Communion is a confession of what is taught and believed at this altar (1 Cor. 11:26), any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession (beliefs) differing from that of this congregation (that is, belong to another church body or denomination) and yet desire to receive the sacrament, will want to first speak with the pastor before communing.

Susan B. Anthony Foundation... is hiring PRO-LIFE field representatives to go door-to-door in their community to conduct a simple survey on pro-life issues with voters. Workers start at \$15 hour. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the narthex for more information.



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Schedule for Sept 19-25:

Thurs. Sept 19

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

6:00 pm **Trustees' Meeting**

Friday Sept 20

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

Saturday Sept 21

Sunday Sept 22 ~ Pentecost 18

9:00 am **Bible Study**

10:00 am **Divine Service**

11:00 am **Choir Practice**

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

Wednesday Sept 25

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

1:00 pm **ParishScope Deadline**

7:00 pm **Worship Service**

Temple Servants Sun. Sept 22:

Reader – Debbie Bright

Ushers – Dale Klobusnik

Ted Kelly

Elder of the Day – John Niemi

Altar Guild: Carolyn Counasse

Liturgical Color: Green

Kitchen Admin. for Sept. –

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