

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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

Rev. Michael S. Taylor Pastor

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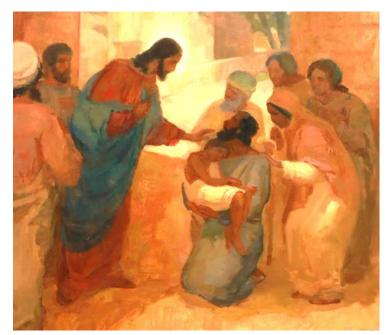
> Ted Kelly, Reader

Ed Podpora, Chuck Stevens Ushers

Chuck Stevens, Elder of the Day

John Niemla, Elder





Christ Jesus Delivers Us from Sin, Death and the Devil

Those who teach the Word of God "*will be judged with greater strictness*" (James 3:1) because it is by the Word that saving faith is obtained, whereas false doctrine always threatens to destroy Christian faith and life. The tongue "*boasts of great things*," whether for good or evil (James 3:5). In fallen man, "*it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison*" (James 3:8). But anyone who bridles his tongue with the Word of God, who "*does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man*" (James 3:2). It is Christ who opens His ear to the voice of His Father, so that, with "*the tongue of those who are taught*," He is able to sustain the weary "*with a word*" (Is. 50:4–5). Entrusting Himself to His Father, even to death, He is not put to shame but is vindicated in His resurrection (Is. 50:6–9). By His faith and faithfulness, He casts out the "*mute and deaf spirit*" from us (Mark 9:25). He has compassion on us and helps us, so that we are not destroyed but cleansed from every evil and raised up from death to life (Mark 9:22–27).

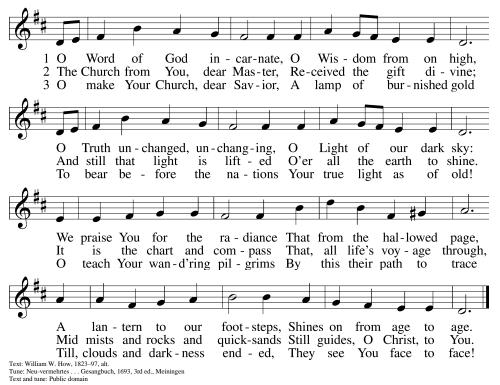
Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn LSB 523 O Word of God Incarnate



Please stand. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. LSB 186
 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
С	who made heaven and earth.	Psalm 124:8
P	I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,	
С	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 Holv Spirit. John 20:19-23

С Amen.

Introit

Kyrie

Sharing the Peace

Matthew 5:23-24

Service of the Word

Psalm 31:14–16; antiphon: v. 24

P Be strong, and let your heart take | courage,* all you who wait | for YAHWEH! But I trust in you, O YAHWEH;* I say, "You | are my God." My times are in your hand;* rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my perse- cutors! Make your face shine on your | servant;* save me in your | steadfast love! **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 Be strong, and let your heart take | courage,* all you who wait | for YAHWEH! 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.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Amen.

Please be seated. **Old Testament Reading**

⁴The Lord YAHWEH has given me the tongue of those who are taught,

that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;

he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord YAHWEH has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.

⁷But the Lord YAHWEH helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. ⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

⁹Behold, the Lord YAHWEH helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

¹⁰Who among you fears YAHWEH and obeys the voice of his servant?

Let him who walks in darkness and has no light

trust in the name of YAHWEH and rely on his God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

2 Timothy 4:22

Isaiah 50.4-10

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand. Alleluia

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

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

G Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁴When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. ¹⁶And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²²And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³And Jesus said to him, "'If you can'! All things are possible for one who believes." ²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" "²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and

LSB 190

Mark 9:14-29

never enter him again." ²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

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 + of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn LSB 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



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Sermon

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

C Amen.

Please stand.

Offertory

LSB 192

 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.

Please be seated.

Offering

Please stand. Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- **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, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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

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

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."

1 Timothy 2:1-4

LSB 194 2 Timothy 4:22

Colossians 3:1

Psalm 1.36

LSB 195

LSB 196: Matthew 6:6-13

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

- 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.

Pax Domini

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

Agnus Dei

LSB 198; John 1:29

LSB 197: John 20:19

Rev. 2:20

LSB 197

• 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. **Distribution Hymns**

Please stand.

Nunc Dimittis

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

LSB 199: Luke 2:39-32

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.
- **C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

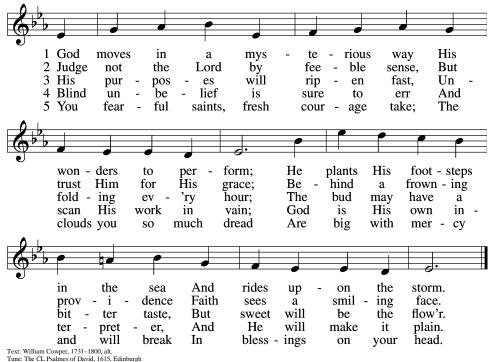
Benediction

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.

Please be seated.

Closing Hymn LSB 765 God Moves in a Mysterious Way



Tune: The CL Psalmes of David, 1615 Text and tune: Public domain

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!

LSB 202 Psalm 103:1

LSB 202 Numbers 6:24-26

PARISHSCOPE

Community Garden Meeting... has been moved to Monday Sept 16th @6:00 PM in the church office. **Fellowship/Ping Pong...** continues every Monday evening at 6:00 pm.

Our Next Midweek Communion Service... will be Wednesday, September 18th 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.

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

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

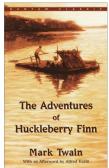
Preschool Board Meeting... will be held on Monday Sept. 23rd at 12:30 pm in the church office.

Women's Bible Study... resumes 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!

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.



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Library... has over 300 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 libararies 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. 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/

PRAYER GUIDE

Those needing healing ... Carolyn Counasse David Durfee Jane Hutchinson, Alice Frndak's sister-in-law Renee & Alvssa 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 Gutherie Violette Hosack Nate Lawrence Joe Moore John Parmarter Thomas Reiser Timothy Reiser Taylor Sisson Jarrod White

Birthdays & Anniversaries... Ed Podpora (b) 9/16 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 flver on the bulletin board in the narthex for more information.



DAILY LUTHERAN CHAPEL SERVICE... You can listen to LIVE chapel services weekdays at 9 a.m. Central from Concordia Theological Seminary-Fort Wayne, IN. You can listen live at issuesetc.org and on-demand at issuesetc.org/kramerchapel.

Schedule for this week Sept 16 – 22:

Mon. Sept 16

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours 9:30 am Circuit Meeting 6:00 pm Fellowship/Ping Pong

Tuesday Sept 17

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

Wednesday Sept 18

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

Thurs. Sept 19

9:00 am – I:00 pm Office Hours 6:00 pm **Trustees' Meeting**

Friday Sept 20 9:00 am – I: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

Temple Servants Sun. Sept 22: Reader – Debbie Bright Ushers – Dale Klobusnik, Ted Kelly Elder of the Day – John Niemla

Altar Guild – Carolyn Lindenmuth Liturgical Color-- Green

Kitchen Admin. for Sept. – Corinna Thorhauer 814-384-0966

