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July 31, 2016 Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost





Luke 12:13-21

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 4

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

PRELUDE

Open Now, Thy Gates of Beauty

PAUL MANZ

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, # one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.
- C Amen.
- P Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God. Silence for reflection and self-examination.
- P God of grace and glory,
- C you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.
- P Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. Jesus Christ loves you and # frees you from your sins by his blood. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

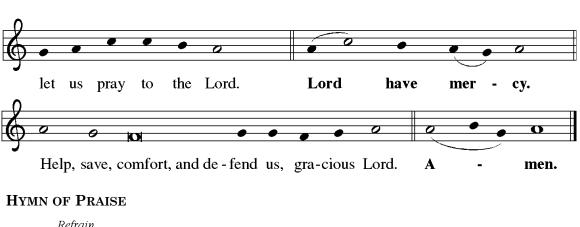
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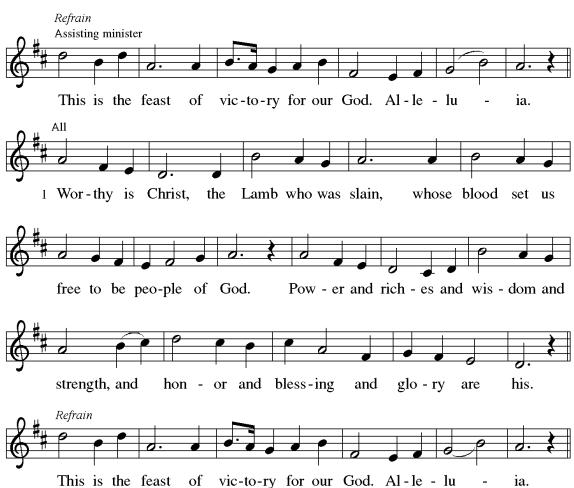
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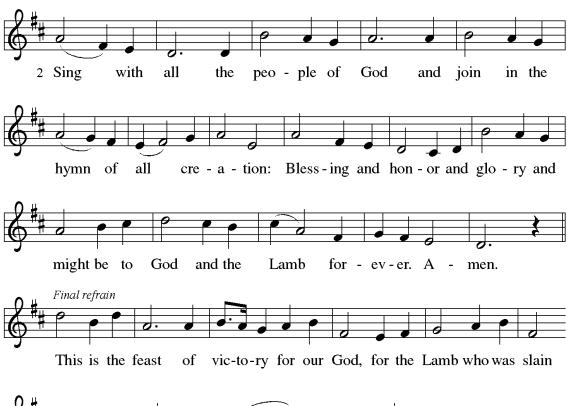
GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.









has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: ECCLESIATES 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a "vanity of vanities." Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one's work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.

²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ¹⁹—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 49:1-12

Sung responsively



¹Hear this, | all you peoples;

give ear, all you who dwell | in the world,

2you of high de- | gree and low,

rich and | poor together.

³My mouth shall | speak of wisdom,

and my heart shall meditate on | understanding.

4I will incline my ear | to a proverb

and set forth my riddle up- | on the harp.

⁵Why should I be afraid in | evil days,

when the wickedness of those at my | heels surrounds me,

⁶the wickedness of those who put their trust in | their own prowess, and boast of | their great riches?

⁷One can never re- | deem another,

or give to God the ransom for an- | other's life;

8 for the ransom of a life | is so great

that there would never be e- | nough to pay it,

 $^{9}\mbox{in}$ order to live forev- \mid er and ever

and never | see the grave.

¹⁰For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stu- | pid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come | after them.

¹¹Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to | generation,

though they had named lands af- | ter themselves.

¹²Even though honored, they cannot | live forever; they are like the | beasts that perish.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

Life in Christ includes a radical reorientation of our values. Just as the newly baptized shed their old clothes in order to put on new garments, so Christians are called to let go of greed and take hold of a life shaped by God's love in Christ.

¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 12:13-21

In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Softly, Tenderly, Jesus is Calling ELW HYMN 608 Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

- P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

A O God, enliven the body of Christ with energy and creativity. Work through partnerships across towns, denominations, and ministry contexts, that Christ be shared with all. Hear us, O God.

A brief silence.

A Guard your creation against greed and over-consumption. Restore polluted air and waters, protect animal habitats, and send new growth where it is needed. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Break down barriers between neighborhoods, peoples, and nations. Sustain community leaders, legislators, volunteers, peacemakers, and all who seek the good of their communities. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Soothe furrowed and fevered brows. Give energy and compassion to caregivers, those who sit at bedsides or wait by the phone. Comfort all in need of healing, especially George Irwin, Jo Ann Howley, Cathy Tunnell, Don Longren, Keith Springer, Roy O'Neil, and Noel's father Richard. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Grant comfort to the family and friends of Myra Sodergren, who passed into your Church Triumphant on Wednesday, July 27, 2016, that they will know your loving mercy. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Inspire our congregation to live in the present moment, O God, and to trust in you. In committee meetings, classrooms, and all ministries, give us flexibility to follow where you lead. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

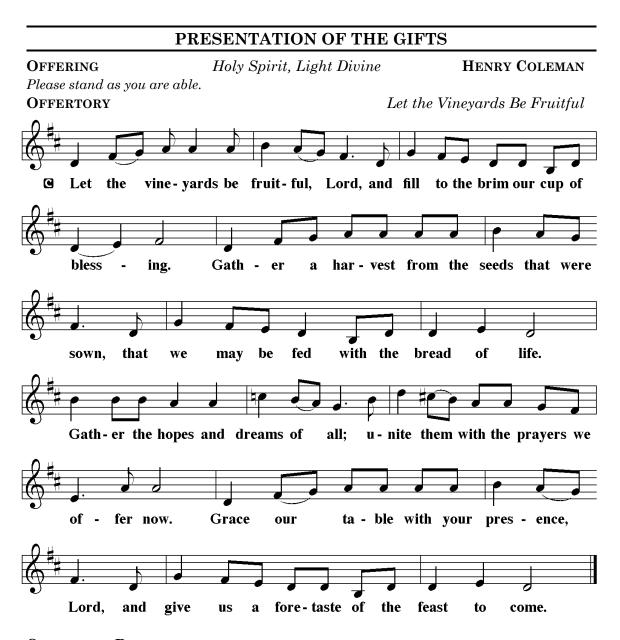
- A We pray for those celebrating life this week. Be with Janeen Horton, Shelley Andrews and Jimmy King as they celebrate birthdays; and with Blayne Pomeroy, Evelyn Johnson, and LaVell Winsor as they remember their baptisms; and with David & Cindy McGinnis, Bob & Pam Kobbeman, and Rick & Janice Greenlee as they celebrate their wedding anniversaries. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A We give thanks for those who have died recently and across the ages, and we rejoice in the hope of the resurrection. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

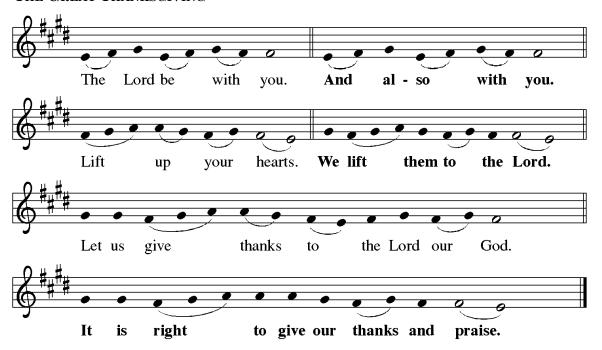
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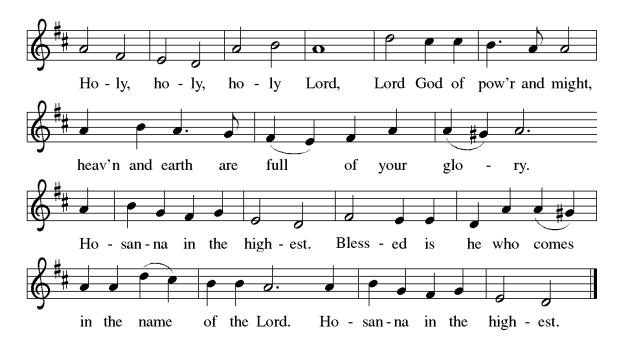
OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.
- C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C Christ has died Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

C Come, Holy Spirit.

P Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C Come, Holy Spirit.

- P With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- 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.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

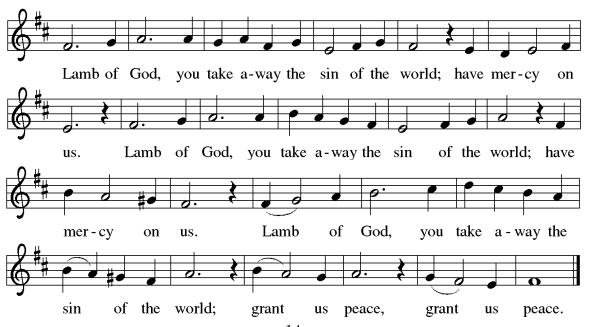
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the feast.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



We invite all the to share with us in Holy Communion. All are welcome to join us at the Lord's table. White grape juice is available as an alternative to wine. Children and/or adults who do not receive communion are invited to come forward with their families to receive a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate an openness to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMNS

I Know That My Redeemer Lives Jesus, Remember Me (3 TIMES) ELW HYMN 619 ELW HYMN 616

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

CANTICLE AFTER COMMUNION



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Let us pray. O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and # give you peace.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Sent Forth By God's Blessing

ELW HYMN 547

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Little Fugue in G Major

J.S. BACH

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Remember our shut-ins!

Kathryn Axelton	Shawn Nowak
Lucille Brill	Roy O'Neil
Peggy Buchholz	Ron Owensby
Marlene Hassan	Keith Springer
Marie Henriksen	Naomi Walker
Howard Kunard	Evelyn Johnson
Don Longren	



Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you have found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please feel free to contact Pr. Mamy at 785-207-6489.



Altar flowers are provided to the glory of God by Becky Norburg Carter in memory of the Oman family, Vince, Alice, Brad and Brent.

UPCO	OMING EVENTS AT TRINITY	
Today, July 31 W	10:30 AM	
Cor	mmunity Garden Work Meeting	7:30 PM
Mon., Aug. 1		5:00 PM
Tues., Aug. 2	Quilters	9:00 AM
Wed., Aug. 3	Women's AA	5:30 PM
Thurs., Aug. 4	Men's AA	6:00 PM
W	Adult Sunday School Torship with Holy Communion nmunity Garden Work Meeting	10:30 AM

Pr. Mamy will be in New Orleans, LA, attending the ELCA Church-wide Assembly, August 7 –14. Mary Heald will preside at worship on Aug. 7 and Michael Haar will preside on Aug. 14.

LOVE JOY PEACE PATIENCE KINDNESS GENEROSITY

PENTECOST PROJECT UPDATE

How has the Pentecost Project affected you? Perhaps your answer would be, "Enough. Quit pestering me."

For me, it has forced me - no, it has given me an opportunity - to think about each of these "gifts of the Holy Spirit." I pick up my little flame and turn it in a circle, contemplating: How have \boldsymbol{I} been affected by some unexpected act of **generosity** toward me? Certainly not through any merit of my own. When \boldsymbol{I} have been forced to be endlessly **patient**, where did my strength come from? Or exercise



self control when I wanted to retaliate? Or be **gentle** when I wanted to lash out? In a time of extreme stress, what helped me be **forebearing**? Where did that overwhelming feeling of **love** come from? As I look at Paul's "list", each gift is worthy of soul-searching - and of an expression of my faith.

Send YOUR meditation or devotion or the story of your encounter with the Holy Spirit to PENTECOST PROJECT, 725 Buchanan, Topeka KS 66606 or email to office@topekatlc.org.

FAITHFULNESS GENTLENESS SELF-CONTROL Galatians 5:22



Myra Jane Shoreen Sodergren, 78, passed away on July 27, 2016. Myra was born August 20, 1937 in Hollywood Hospital, Los Angeles CA. She married to Charles Duane Sodergren on November 23, 1956 in Angelica Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, California He survives her. Other survivors include children Janice Greenlee (Rick), Jane Lewis (Curt), Steven Sodergren (Jennifer), Janeen Horton (Bob), grandchildren Brett Henry (Janelle), Brooke Ralph (David) Erin Lewis, Heather Klamm (Josh) Breanna Lewis, Sydney Cochran (Tim), Joseph Sodergren, Andrea Sodergren, Audrey Horton,

"Trey" Horton, and great-grandchildren Jackston, Hudson, Ella, and Adi, sister-in-law Barbara Apps and nieces, nephews, and cousins in California.

Myra attended John Marshal High school in Los Angeles and Bethany College.

Funeral service was here at Trinity yesterday, Saturday, July 30, 2016. Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, Topeka, KS.

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE								
		Building						
Date	General	Fund	Other	Flowers	Total	Attendance		
July 3	\$2,260.00	\$325.00	\$585.00	\$0.00	\$3,170.00	53		
July 10	\$2,285.00	\$260.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$2,570.00	40		
July 17	\$1,379.74	\$145.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$2,274.74	53		
July 24	\$1,658.29	\$45.00	\$560.00	\$0.00	\$2,263.29	40		

The money shown in the "Other" column above is restricted and not available for our general fund.

Month/Year	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	Net Income	Year to Date	Budgeted Income	
Mar. 2016	\$11,544.02	\$11,374.78	-\$169.24	-\$7,907.36	\$13,547.18	
Apr. 2016	\$8,435.79	\$13,235.30	-\$4,799.51	-\$12,06.87	\$13,547.18	
May 2016	\$13,541.99	\$15,299.88	-\$1,757.89	-\$14,464.76	\$13,547.18	
June 2016	\$11,578.83	\$13,298.78	-\$1,719.95	-\$16,189.30	\$13,547.18	

Worship Assistants										
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Organist; Choir Director; Keyboard	Flowers	Acolyte	Lector	Altar Guild	Coffee Host(s)	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
July 31, 2016	Andy & LaVell Winsor	Dean McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	Becky Carter (1)	Zane Kennedy	Duane Pomeroy	Noel Ranaivoson & Team 1	Duane & Debbie Pomeroy	Bob Horton	Pr. Mamy
August 7, 2016	Vickie Jacobs	Bob Horton	Laurie Jackson	Julie Reeves (2)	Jake Kennedy	Diane Bottorff	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Dean McGinnis	Rosie Nichols	Mary Heald
August 14, 2016	Barbara Apps	Bob Horton	Mitchell Bean	Mary Heald (1) LaVell Winsor (1)	Marcy Carlson	Ted Quast	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Julie Reeves & Dorothy Strom	Walt Laughlin	Pr. Michael Haar
August 21, 2016	Howard & Loni Reece	Bob Horton	Laurie Jackson	Curt & Jane Lewis (2)	Bronwyn King	Linda Longren	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Roxanne Wolf & Marsha Chelson	Rosie Nichols	Pr. Mamy

Please call Pr. Mamy promptly about hospitalizations in our church family. His office number is 785-233-0767, or he can be reached on his cell at 785-207-6489.

To share a prayer request please contact Barbara Apps at 234-5130. She will contact Pr. Mamy and get the prayer chain started.



The mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is to

- · worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- serve those in need, and
- reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!

 ${f T}$ ogether in Community • ${f L}$ iving with Christ • ${f C}$ aring for Neighbors

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