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Love where you live.



September 15, 2019

Pentecost 14

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 2

The grumbling of the Pharisees and the scribes in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God wills to seek and to save the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As Paul's first letter to Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.

PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

C Gracious God, bless our city and make it a place of safety for all people, rich and poor. Give us grace to work in neighborhoods that are vibrant and whole, where the lost and forgotten in society are supported, and where the arts flourish. Make the diverse fabric of this city be a delight to all who live and visit here and build a strong bond uniting our community around common goals that are good for all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the strength of our ancestors, the host of this meal, the builder of the city that is to come.

C Amen.

P If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ. Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God our helper,

C we confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

C Amen.

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.

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of ten staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

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A - men.

KYRIE



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



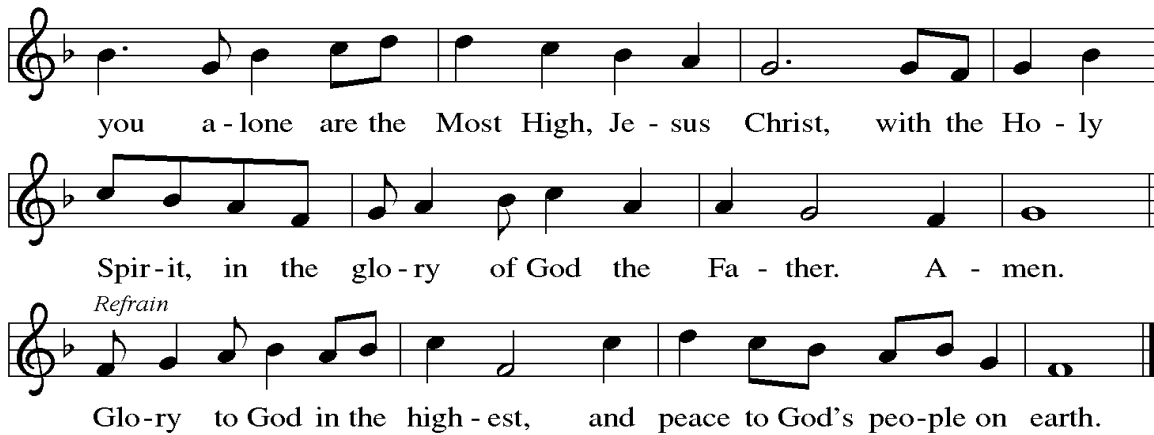
seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: EXODUS 32:7-14

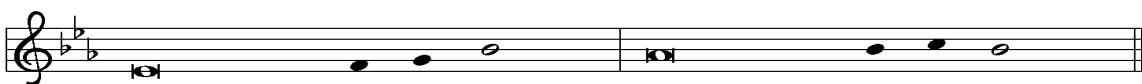
While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are God's own people and boldly asks mercy for them.

⁷The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" ⁹The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." ¹¹But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac,

¹⁴And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

C Thanks be to God

Sung responsively



**¹⁰Create in me a clean | heart, O God,
and renew a right spir- | it within me.**

The letters to Timothy are called the Pastoral Epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

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blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

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

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-10

Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that his or her recovery brings joy in heaven.

¹The tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, ²but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.” ³So to them he addressed this parable. ⁴“What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? ⁵And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy ⁶and, upon his arrival home, he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them, ‘Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance. ⁸“Or what woman having ten coins and losing one would not

light a lamp and sweep the house, searching carefully until she finds it? ⁹And when she does find it, she calls together her friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found the coin that I lost.' ¹⁰In just the same way, I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY *Softly and 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 Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

A Bless pastors, deacons, and all church leaders in their ministries, so that your gospel is shared through faithful leadership and living. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Protect and preserve habitats and biospheres, especially in places damaged by natural disaster or human alteration. Restore balance to deserts, oceans, polar regions, and temperate areas. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Instruct all the world's people, nations, and governments in ways of justice, mercy, and peace. Lead us away from the idols of power, war, self-centeredness, and fear. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A Show mercy to the lost, welcome to the outsiders, and comfort to the suffering and dying. We pray for all who need your healing and constant presence, especially Linda Longren, Mark Arganbright, and Susan Fitz. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A Strengthen all who work with people in crisis: firefighters, police officers, hospital staff, chaplains, nurses, doctors, emergency responders, staff and counselors in rehab centers and women's shelters. Give them wisdom and compassion, so that those in need are well-supported and cared for. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A Turn our hearts toward those who celebrate this week. We pray for Elania King, Diane Bottorff, and Roy O'Neil as they celebrate their birthdays, Jake Kennedy, Zane Kennedy, and Brian McGinnis as they remember their baptisms, and for Charles & Adrienne Hutchison as they celebrate their wedding anniversary. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A We pray for St. John Lutheran in Ellis, Our Redeemer Lutheran in Ness City, Bethlehem Lutheran, Emanuel Lutheran, Immanuel Lutheran and Zion Lutheran in WaKeeney, Kansas. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- A We give thanks for the beloved sheep of your fold who have died and who now find life in your eternal glory. Embrace us as we hope and rejoice in your unfailing redemption. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your throne of grace; 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.

Please be seated.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERING
OFFERTORY

Please stand as you are able.

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

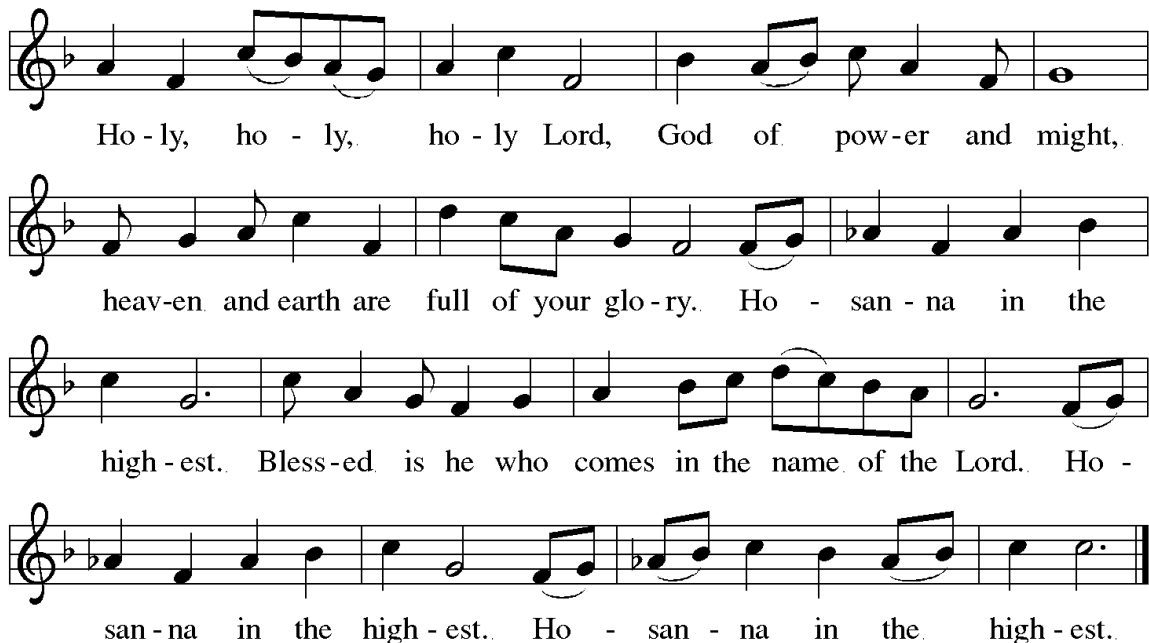
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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. 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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.

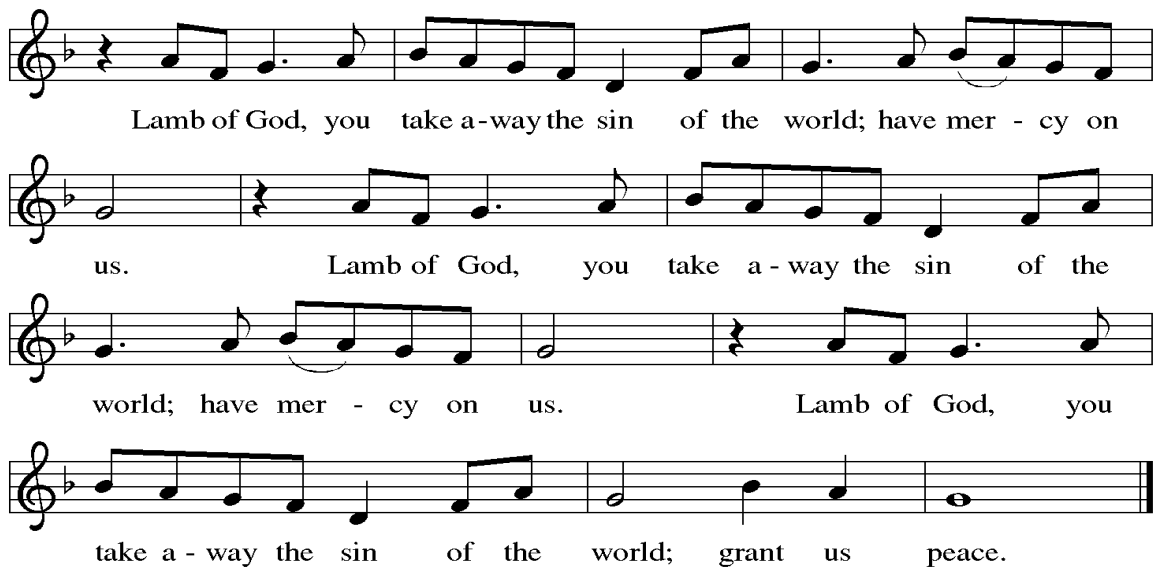
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come, take your place at the feast.
Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior 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. Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate a desire to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing. We now have gluten-free communion wafers available. If gluten-free is your preference, please let the pastor know when you are at the communion rail.

COMMUNION HYMNS	<i>You Satisfy the Hungry Heart</i>	ELW HYMN 484
	<i>Oh, Worship the King</i>	ELW HYMN 842

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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God ☩ bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	ELW HYMN 807
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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you, members and visitors, 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 contact the church office at 785.233.0767

Life Review interviews

Baker senior nursing students will be conducting interviews during October. If you are age 65 or better, please consider participating in an interview with a student. The student will contact you to set up an appointment at your home or at a mutually agreeable location. If you would like to be on the interview list, let Diane Bottorff know, 231-0379.

Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Organist	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
September 15, 2019	Donna Allen	Curt Lewis	Laurie Jackson	Marcy Carlson	Duane Pomeroy	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Donna Allen, Marilyn Heckman, & Carol Marker	Bob Horton	Pr. Andrew Patty
September 22, 2019	Monica Spencer & Glenda Viscosky	Diane Bottorff	Mitchell Bean	Janelle Meredith	Laurie Jackson	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Curt & Jane Lewis	Walt Laughlin	Pr. Andrew Patty
September 29, 2019	Chuck Sodergren	Dean McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	Bob Horton	Jake Kennedy	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Mike & Laurie Jackson	Rosie Nichols	Pr. Andrew Patty

Please call the church office, 233-0767, Cindy McGinnis, 785-506-5614, or Pr. Andrew, 423-748-9922, if you or a loved one is hospitalized. Hospitals do not contact us when a member is admitted. It is also necessary that we be advised when a patient moves from one location to another, such as from home to a care facility or from hospital to rehab.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Sept. 15 Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM
Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM
 Learning Committee Meeting..... during coffee hour

Mon., Sept. 16 **October Trinity Tidings deadline**
 Women's AA..... 5:00 PM

Tues., Sept. 17 Quilters 9:00 AM

Wed., Sept. 18 Priscilla Circle Bible Study.....10:00 AM
 Women's AA..... 5:30 PM

Thurs., Sept. 19 Men's AA 7:00 PM

Fri., Sept. 20 ... TLC/1st/Our Savior's Picnic @ Lake Shawnee..... 5:30 PM

Sunday, Sept. 22..... Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM
Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM
Witness & Outreach Meeting..... during coffee hour

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS

Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/Communion
Aug. 18	\$1,581.00	\$635.00	\$2,216.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$432.00	51/41
Aug. 25	\$2,533.00	\$75.00	\$2,608.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$40.00	42/37
Sept. 1	\$2,296.00	\$35.00	\$2,331.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$317.00	41/37
Sept. 8	\$1,911.00	\$145.00	\$2,056.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$592.00	40/41
The money shown in the "Other" column is restricted and not available for our general fund.						
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		July 2019	\$12,248.50	-\$8,788.61	\$3,459.89	
		Jan. - July	\$74,593.54	-\$74,275.72	\$317.82	

Remember our shut-ins!

Kathryn Axelton	Don Longren	Keith Springer
Lucille Brill	Shawn Nowak	Naomi Walker
Peggy Buchholz	Roy O'Neil	
Marlene Hassan	Ron Owensby	





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!

Together in Community • **L**iving with Christ • **C**aring for Neighbors

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