



## Trinity Lutheran Church



November  
**17**  
2024

The Twenty-sixth  
Sunday of Pentecost

Together  
in Community  
Living  
with Christ  
Caring  
for Neighbors

Not one stone  
will be left here  
upon another;  
all will be  
thrown down."  
Mark 13:2

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***We are glad you are here!***

***It is always good to be together, hearing the Word proclaimed  
and sharing in the Lord's Supper.***

***Thank you for choosing to worship at Trinity Lutheran Topeka.***

*November is the month of Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. So the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.*

PRELUDE

***Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 3***

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GATHERING

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Please stand as you are able.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity...our beginning and our end.

C **Amen.**

P Let us come in truth...freed us from our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C **we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

P These words are trustworthy and true...rejoice in your salvation.

C **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

*We Praise You, O God*

**ELW 870**

1 We praise you, O God, our redeemer, creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.

We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

2 We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers; through trial and tempest our guide you have been.

When perils o'ertake us, you will not forsake us, and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

3 With voices united our praises we offer and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.

With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us. To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

**GREETING**

P The grace ...be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

**KYRIE**

*In peace, let us pray to the Lord*

**ELW PAGE 138**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

*This is the feast*

**ELW PAGE 140**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A Let us pray. Almighty God...our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**WORD**

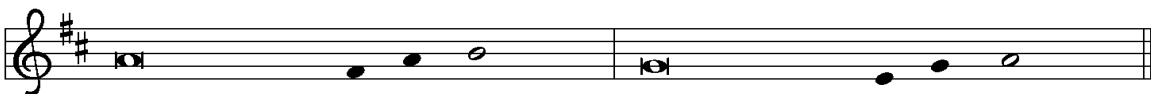
**FIRST READING: DANIEL 12:1-3**

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 16**

*Sung responsively*



- <sup>1</sup> Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- <sup>2</sup> **All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.**
- <sup>3</sup> But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- <sup>4</sup> **I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,  
never take their names upon my lips.**
- <sup>5</sup> O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.
- <sup>6</sup> **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**
- <sup>7</sup> I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night after night.
- <sup>8</sup> **I have set the LORD always before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**
- <sup>9</sup> My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope.
- <sup>10</sup> **For you will not abandon me to the grave,  
nor let your holy one see the pit.**
- <sup>11</sup> You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**SECOND READING: HEBREWS 10:11-25**

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go* **ELW PAGE 142**

P The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: MARK 13:1-8**

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

**PASTOR BARBARA JONES**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*My Lord, What a Morning*

**ELW 438**

*Please stand for the last verse.*

*Refrain*

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

- 1 You will hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*
- 2 You will hear the sinner cry, to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*
- 3 You will hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

P Together, with the whole church..., let us confess our faith.

**ELW PAGE 127**

**THE PRAYERS**

A Rooted in God's abundant love,...and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

A O God,...Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

P We offer our prayers,...through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**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.*

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## MEAL

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**OFFERING AND OFFERING SONG**

**ELW 181**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*Please stand as you are able.*

A Let us pray. Lord Jesus...trusting in your name.

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...join their unending hymn:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

**ELW PAGE 144**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ELW PAGE 145**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Please be seated.*

*Everyone who goes to the Altar for communion will be viewed on camera. Should you prefer not to have your image recorded, please stay in your seat and tell an usher you would like to have communion served to you in your pew.*

**LAMB OF GOD**

**ELW PAGE 146**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

*When Peace like a River*

**ELW 785**

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

*Refrain*

It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance  
control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own  
blood for my soul. *Refrain*

3 He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin, not in part, but the  
whole, is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the  
Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

4 Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as  
a scroll, the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well  
with my soul. *Refrain*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body...keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Let us pray. Faithful God,...our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

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**SENDING**

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**BLESSING**

P The Ancient One...bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

**ELW 632**

- 1 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:
- 2 Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.
- 3 Before the hills in order stood or earth received its frame,  
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.
- 4 A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone,  
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.
- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home.

**DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C **Thanks be to God. Our worship has ended. Now our service begins.**

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**POSTLUDE**

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*Please join us for coffee and refreshments downstairs in Fellowship Hall immediately after worship.*

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## Upcoming Events



+Today, **November 17**, we will hold a **second Town Hall meeting** to discuss the future of Trinity. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to attend. We need your hopes and ideas.



+Thanksgiving Eve will be celebrated **November 27, 7pm**, at Our Saviors Lutheran Church. Pr. Barb will be preaching.

+Advent begins on **December 1st**. After worship that Sunday, we will decorate the Christmas trees. All are welcome to stay and help.

+We will celebrate the beginning of Advent with a midweek event on **December 4th, 5pm**. We will begin with the Holden Evening Prayer service in the sanctuary, followed by a potluck meal in Fellowship Hall and some other activities. If you'd like to share, you may bring a nativity scene to serve as a table centerpiece or a favorite recipe to share.



+The following Wednesdays in Advent—**December 11** and **December 18**—will be on Facebook Live or Zoom, or both. The time is yet to be determined.



+Christmas Eve worship will be at 4pm on **December 24th**. There will not be a service on Christmas Day.

+Pr. Barb will be gone on **December 29th** so we will have a service of carols and scripture for worship that day.

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Nov. 17.....Community Relations meeting..... 9:30 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion..... 10:30 AM  
 ..... **Town Hall meeting** ..... during coffee hour

Mon., Nov. 18..... December Trinity Tidings deadline .....  
 .....Stroke Support Group.....6:00 PM

Tues., Nov. 19..... Quilters ..... 9:00 AM

Sunday, Nov. 24 ..... Children's Sunday School..... 9:45 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion..... 10:30 AM

Wed., Nov. 27.....Thanksgiving Eve worship @ Our Saviors .....7:00 PM

#### Worship Assistants

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
Nov. 17	Parker Jackson	Bob Horton, Dean McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	Duane Pomeroy	Donna Allen & Team 3	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	Duane & Debbie Pomeroy
Nov. 24	Ella Bosch, Curt Lewis	Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Donna Allen & Team 3	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	Diane Bottorff
Dec. 1	Parker Jackson	Duane Pomeroy, Howard Reece		Debbie Pomeroy	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	

#### OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS

Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly	Weekly Income Minus Average	Attendance/
Oct. 20	\$2,151.0	\$120.00	\$2,271.00	-\$2,211.54	\$59.46	30/27
Oct. 27	\$431.39	\$520.00	\$951.39	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,260.15	28/23
Nov. 3	\$2,618.0	\$858.00	\$3,476.00	-\$2,211.54	\$1,264.46	38/33
Nov. 10	<b>\$1,259.0</b>	<b>\$79.00</b>	<b>\$1,338.00</b>	<b>-\$2,211.54</b>	<b>-\$873.54</b>	26/20
		Oct. 2024	\$9,231.39	-\$20,901.38	-\$11,669.99	
		Jan. - Oct.	\$90,547.21	-\$122,072.06	-\$31,524.85	





Trinity is hosting a card shower in honor of Martha Nemeth's 90th birthday on November 20th. You may send a card to her at:

Martha Nemeth  
4712 SW 6th Ave.  
Cedar View Unit, Apt. 523  
Topeka, KS 66606-2272

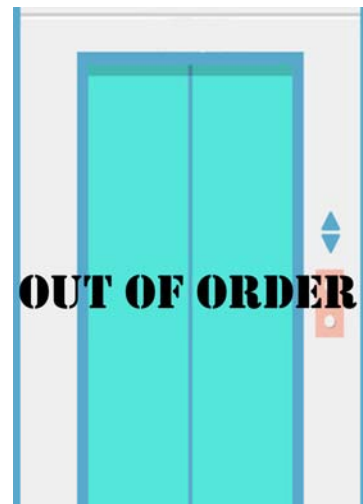
Happy 90th  
Birthday

## Fundraiser for Elevator Repair

We did it! We reached the \$12,500 goal for elevator repair. With a little bit extra for the future.

Unfortunately, there are still problems with the elevator for which we have received and approved a new, lower bid. Hopefully, that work will begin soon.

So while this fundraising campaign has finished, we are still in need of funds for repair. So please keep this in mind as you consider your offerings.





**Thanksgiving Eve Worship at  
Our Saviors Lutheran Church**

**Wednesday, November 27 7:00pm**

Join with Trinity, Our Saviors, and First Lutheran as we give thanks for all of our many blessings. Pr. Barb will be preaching.

**Holden Evening Prayer  
worship service**

**5:00pm**

**followed by**

**Trinity Holiday Potluck**

**Wednesday, December 4**

**All table service and drinks will be provided.**

**Please bring a dish or two to share.**

**If you have a favorite Swedish dish, we'd love a taste!**

**Following the meal, there will be bus tour of holiday lights, including Winter Wonderland.**

**More details about that will follow.**

## Current Doorstep Needs

**Clothing Room Needs:** (Gently Used, Not New)

**Men's Underwear, Sock, Shoes & Belts ~ All Sizes**

**Men's Jeans & T-shirts, Polo/collared & Dress Shirts ~ All Sizes**

**Kids & Teens (Boys & Girls) – Jeans, Pants, Sweats & Hoodies ~ All Sizes**

**Women's Bras, Underwear, Leggings & Jeggings ~ All Sizes**

**Diapers ~ Sizes 5 & 6**

**Sheet Sets ~ Twin, Queen & King**

**Blankets & Comforters ~ All Sizes**

**Washcloths & Hand Towels**

**Pots & Pans**

**Toasters, Blenders, Hand Can Openers & Crockpots**

**Food Room Needs:**

Peanut Butter (not large jars)      Progresso & Chunky Soups      Jelly

Canned Vegetables ~ All Types      Canned Beans      Tuna

Pork / Baked Beans      Canned Tomatoes      Ramen

Vegetable Soup      Chicken Noodle Soup      Saltines

Pancake Syrup      Dry Pinto Beans – 1lb.      Egg Noodles

**Health Kit Items Needed for Christmas Families:** (260 Kits Total)

We need to have our kits made up in November and we are starting with zero inventory this year! Ideally, we need the following **Full Size Personal Hygiene Items** by November 12<sup>th</sup> to start assembling kits: The total quantity needed is listed after the item.

Shampoo + Conditioner (2 in 1) — 173      Shampoo and Conditioner — 114 each

Bar Soap — 466 bars      Body Wash — 27

Toothbrushes (singles or small packs) — 821

Toothpaste — 362      Deodorant — 298

Brushes — 38 & Combs — 379      Bath & Hand Towels (New) — 288 each-

Washcloths (New) — 396

**Donations Accepted:**

**Monday – Friday**

**9am – 2pm**

1119 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Ave

(10<sup>th</sup> & Buchanan)

Use the South Door



## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

**Together in Community**

**Living with Christ**

**Caring for Neighbors**

### **Caring for Our Neighbors**

Jesus commands us that when we care for the least of these; that we are in the presence of Christ (*Matthew 25:44-45*). As a congregation, we deeply care about serving those in need in our community. We hope to be a place of refuge and support for our neighborhood and to be a place to uplift those people that struggle around us. We also support ministries both local, national, and global as a church in the ELCA. As a congregation, we focus our efforts to partner with community organizations like Doorstep, while expanding opportunities to help our neighborhood through activities like our food ministry and community garden. We continue to be open to the ways that God calls us to be a presence in our community and to create a world where all are cared for in our society (*Philippians 2:4*).

### **CONGREGATION COUNCIL**

**President** Diane Bottorff

**Vice-President** Curt Lewis (Maintenance)

**Secretary** Shelley Andrews (Administration)

Parker Jackson (Administration)

Steve Luoma (Community Relations)

Carol Marker (Spiritual Care)

Dean McGinnis (Congregational Life)

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Duane Pomeroy (Spiritual Care)

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