

Sunday, September 28, 2025

The Sixteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

9:30am: Hope Lutheran Church
1801 62nd Avenue N

11:00am: Trinity Lutheran Church (Livestream)
401 5th St N



 **PRELUDE**

 **WELCOME**

 **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
our light, our strength, and our salvation.
Amen.

In the presence of God and of one another,
let us confess our sin.

We take time to reflect on our actions and choices.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your people, but we do not follow your ways.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your goodness to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive us.
Rejoice over us as the lost
who have been found.
Amen.

Jesus Christ came into the world
to save sinners just like us.
Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.
In the name of ✠ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!



GATHERING HYMN *Gather Us In*

ELW 532



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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GREETING

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



KYRIE

"Kyrie eleison," Greek for "Lord have mercy," is one of the most ancient prayers of the Christian Church. Lutherans use it in a prayer that our time of worship will be blessed by God's presence.

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, rich in mercy, look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



GETTING BACK TO BASICS



FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

The prophet Amos announces that Israel's great wealth is a cause not for rejoicing but rather sorrow, because God's people have forgotten how to share their wealth with the poor. The wealthy will be the first to go into exile when judgment comes.

^{1a} Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. ⁴ Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall, ⁵ who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music, ⁶ who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷ Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**



PSALM: Psalm 146

The refrain will be played through once as introduction, and will then be sung by the congregation; the congregation will then repeat the refrain at the end of each set of verses, as indicated by "R"



The LORD gives jus-tice, the LORD gives jus-tice to those who are op - pressed.

¹ Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

² I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³ Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴ When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish. **R**

⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;

⁶ who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;

⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. **R**

The Lord sets the captive free. ⁸ The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

⁹ The Lord cares for the stranger; the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked. ¹⁰ The Lord shall reign forever,

*your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah! **R***



SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Timothy is reminded of the confession he made at his baptism and of its implications for daily life. His priorities will be different from those of people who merely want to be rich.

⁶ Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. ¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness.

¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

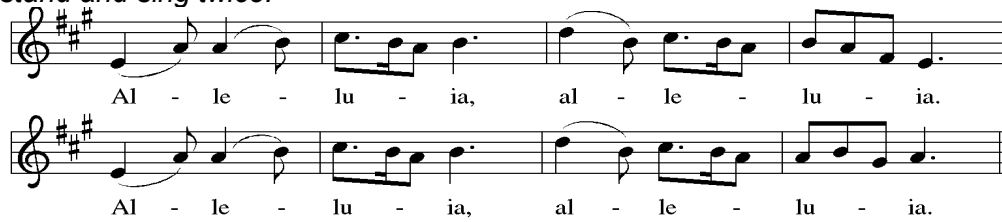
¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and sing twice:



GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells a parable in which the poor one is “lifted up” and the rich one is “sent away empty.” Jesus makes it clear that this ethic of merciful reversal is not new but is as old as Moses and the prophets.

The good news of God’s love according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house ²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.



SERMON

A brief period for silent meditation will follow at the conclusion of the sermon.



HYMN OF THE DAY

The Church of Christ

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1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
 2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
 3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
 4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
 5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
 be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
 sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
 out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698–1768

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

After each petition:

God of grace; receive our prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayers:

We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**



THE SHARING OF PEACE

Instead of putting a donation in the offering plate during the next hymn, you can use the appropriate QR code to make a contribution on the church website; or you can mail an offering to the church.

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Trinity



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OFFERTORY HYMN

We Come to the Hungry Feast

1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
 2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
 3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,
 To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
 from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
 and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay
 not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever

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OFFERING PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope on you. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

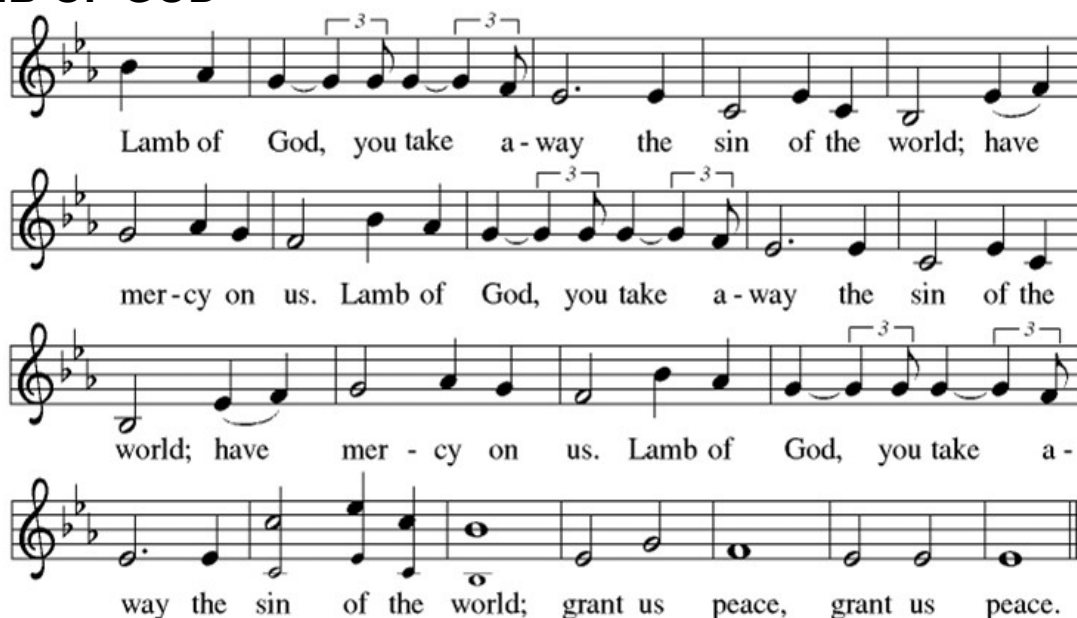
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

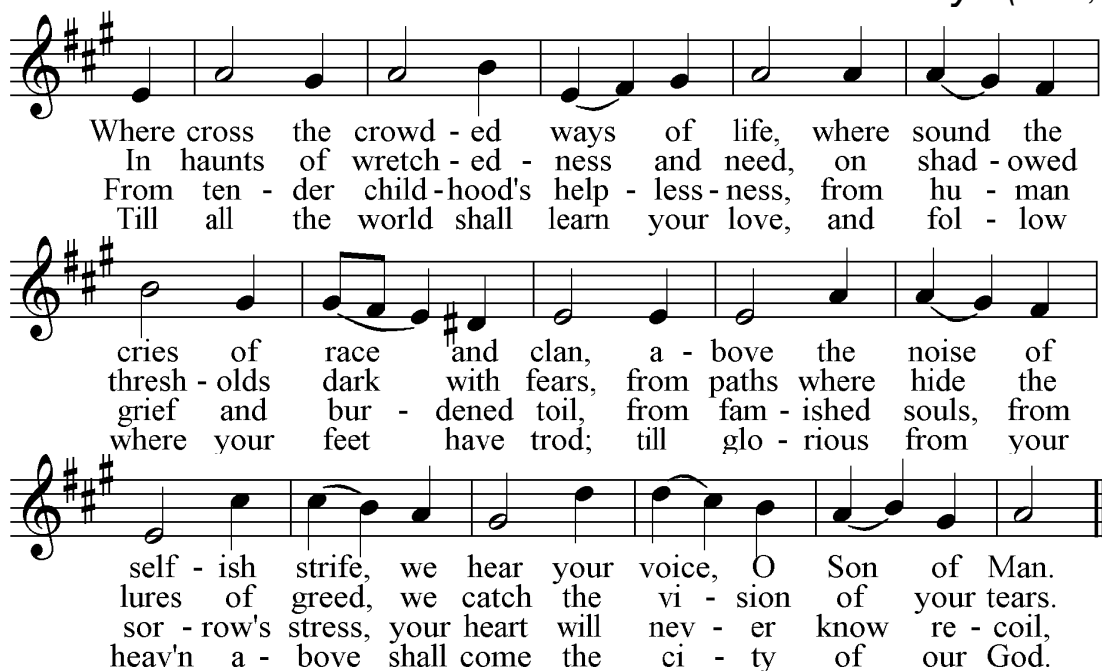
Come to this meal of mercy.
Jesus welcomes us!

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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN *Where Cross the Crowded Ways* (v 1-3,6) ELW 719



Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad - owed
From ten - der child-hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man
Till all the world shall learn your love, and fol - low
cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
thresh - olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the
grief and bur - dened toil, from fam - ished souls, from
where your feet have trod; till glo - rious from your
self - ish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of Man.
lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.
sor - row's stress, your heart will nev - er know re - coil,
heav'n a - bove shall come the ci - ty of our God.

Text: Frank M North, 1850-1935, alt
Music: WALTON, W Gardiner, Sacred Melodies, 1815

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. O God, through this meal you have strengthened us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our lives with all in need.
We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free,
✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



SENDING HYMN *Canticle of the Turning*

ELW 793



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be

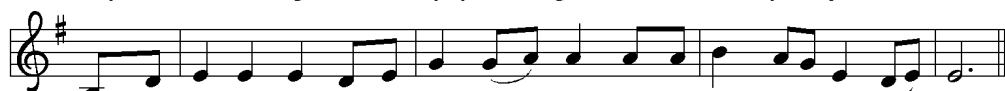


name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

Refrain



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat

Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Rejoice in love. **Thanks be to God.**



After the service, please stay for a time of refreshments and conversation

Thank you to those serving this month:

Service	Lectors	Communion Assistants	Altar Flower Sponsors
09/07	9:30 Gary Bartelt	Gary Bartelt	(open for sponsorship)
	11:00	Combined service at Hope Lutheran this week. No 11:00am service.	
09/14	9:30 Lou Carter	Margarita Rodriguez	Barbara Mueller – IHO daughter Amy's birthday
	11:00 Marty Snapp	Alan Due	
09/21	9:30 Terri Craig	Betty Herzhauser	Donna Watson – IHO mother's bday (21 st) and John's bday (24 th)
	11:00 Lynne Tallon	Violet Prepost, Ruth Kinsey	(open for sponsorship)
09/28	9:30 Gary Bartelt	Linda Gascon	The People of Hope
	11:00 Stephen Hewitt	Violet Prepost, Phil Rearick	Carol Bertoluzzi – In Honor Of "Be Like Bert"

Birthdays this week:

09/28 - Paul Frakes 10/04 - Shirley Carter
 09/28 - Robert Hamilton 10/04 - Lynne Tallon
 09/30 - Ross Kimura
 09/30 - Nicole Reedy

Anniversaries this week:

- None -

This Week's Calendar of Events:

Today (09/28)

12:45pm – Constitution Conversations (Trinity 2nd Floor)
 2:00pm – Fundraising Concert (Trinity Sanctuary)

Monday (09/29)

4:00pm – Constitution Conversations (Hope Library)

Tuesday (09/30)

(no planned activities)

Wednesday (10/01)

11:30am – Community Meal (Trinity 3rd Floor)

Thursday (10/02)

6:00pm – Grace Family Bible Study (CommUNITY Room)
 6:30pm – Vocal Choir Practice (Hope Sanctuary)

Friday (10/03)

9:30am – TLC Pantry (1st Floor at Trinity)
 9:30am – Dolores Food Pantry (CommUNITY Room)
 6:00pm – First Friday Dinner (CommUNITY Room)

Saturday (10/04)

9:00am – Hope Chest (Thrift Store)

On the menu for our First Friday Dinner on Oct 3rd is: PULLED PORK, Please bring a side dish!

Further Info & Items of Interest:

- **Stay (or come back) for the fundraising concert at 2:00pm today.** Admission is free, but donations are encouraged! 100% of funds received will be donated to the food pantry ministries of Trinity and Hope.
- **Faith 2 Life:** You may have noticed that there is no Wednesday evening Bible study this week! We completed our series on "How Jesus became God." Our next series "Why the Bible?" will begin on Oct. 8 and will address questions about reading and understanding the Bible.
- **Food Pantry:** Our current focus for donations/ "in-gathering" is for anything required for our food pantries! The pantry at Trinity has requested donations of single-serve fruit cups, applesauce, etc. for their bagged lunches.

The pantry at Hope offers a wider array of grocery items for families suffering from food insecurity. They have specifically requested the following:

- Canned Soup
- Canned Vegetables
- Cereal
- Mac & Cheese
- Laundry Pods
- Toilet Paper
- Pasta

Prayer List:

For those ministering in our congregations:

Pastor Paul Gibson
Deacon Lynne Tallon
Music Director Ross Kimura
Music Director Brenden Hall

For those needing strength & healing:

Melody Cather	Elmer Goetz
Petra Young	Myrtle Munsch
Mike Lederhouse	Sandra Hill & family
Maureen Rogers	Teri Fitzpatrick
Charlie Braitling	Justin Fitzpatrick
Brenda Braitling	Paula Smith
Andrea Chambers	Vickie Clark
Eliza Walker	Luke Mendenhall
Wyatt Fitzpatrick	Guy Smith
Marjorie Smetana	Joyce Dare
Jim & Edna Howell	Cecil Miles
Debbie McNeilly	Linda Miles
Dave McNeilly	Sandra Marzan
Ana Rivera	

For those suffering from cancer:

Jim Tallon
Whitney & Greg Corrigan
Rick Jackson
Frank Durilla
Rev. Ernest Knoche
Ron Oughton
Barbara

For those homebound:

Lorna Holder	Marion Cheslock
Shirley Taylor	Judy Milanese
Betty Aker	Scheryl Hill (hospice)

For those grieving the loss of a loved one:

Family & friends of Joanne Johnston
Family & friends of Liz Karshner
Family & friends of Craig Mowrer
Family & friends of Chan Ros
Family & friends of Barbara Johnson
Family & friends of Sheila Johnson
Family & friends of David Larson
Family & friends of Gerda Fjogreen Peterson

Welcomę, visitors! Please tell us something about yourself.

Fill out the form below or scan one of the provided QR Codes to contact us digitally.



Today's Date:

09/28/25

Name and Address
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Phone
Home church, city, and state

Questions, Comments, Prayer Requests:

- ☐ I'm visiting: ☐ First time ☐ Repeat
☐ I just moved here
☐ Please add me to your email list(s)
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 ☐ Office's Monthly Newsletter, etc.

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