Special Prayers for Today

Almighty God, we give you thanks for the gift of your church. We implore You to remind us of this gift You give, especially as we continue to dwell in the world as Your forgiveness, life, and salvation are proclaimed; prayers for those celebrating anniversaries and birthdays; prayers for the health concerns of Colleen Armitage, Jo Barrington, Phil Behlmann (father of Shannon Shannon), Lorna Biermann, Marilyn Britton, Al and Merle Casolari,, Larry Goetz (father of Kimberly Garvue), Morgan Grillot, Ted Hasselbring, Pam Hilberer, Helen Hoffman, Mark Hoffman (son of Helen Hoffman), Eugene Holmes (grandfather of Pastor Holmes), Michael Kincaid, Joelle Knoles, Barry Nass, Randi Nelle (close family friend of Holly Henning-Buhr), Sara Opperman, Rachel Peters (mother of Sarah Grillot), Sheavie Reagan; Aaron Shipman, and the grandmother of Mark Wellenkamp; Amen.

Sunday Altar Flowers

Flowers are placed on the altar today by Brendan and Caitlin Reichert in thankfulness for God's many blessings which includes their gift of seven years of marriage.

At Worship Last Week

Saturday: 146 Sunday: 140, 154	440
Adult Studies: 141 Sunday School: 25	
Offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work:	
June 2018 Automatic Contributions	\$7950.00

Sunday Bible Study 9:35-10:15 a.m. Sunday School

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON JUNE 24 FOR THE DEDICATION SERVICE.

Sunday School and Sunday Bible Study are held at the School Campus Parish Center, 515 S. MacArthur. Directions are as follows: From the Church to get to Trinity Lutheran School and thus our Parish Hall, head south on 2nd Street, then go west on Edwards Street, and turn right (north) on MacArthur Blvd. The school/parish center will be on your left. From the parking lot you'll see doors to the school. Enter there and the Parish Center is on your right. *Childcare is available for Adult Bible Study.

Grades Pre-K-Grade 8: In Sunday School this week, students will learn how God gives them faith to believe His promises in Baptism as they study the account "Paul Baptizes the Philippian Jailer." As a family, you could discuss, "How did God use Paul's imprisonment to continue the spread of the Gospel? Tell about a time you had the opportunity to share the message of Jesus with someone.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class: Galatians: What does God's Word say about faith, the challenges of living in a broken world and how believers should live together in the Christian church? Come find out as we study Galatians! This powerful book of the Bible is packed with numerous tools for Christians as we live out our callings on this earth. Sunday mornings in the Parish Center from 9:35am-10:15am. We hope to see you there!

"What Are Churches For?"

Rev. Paul Hemenway

Acts 2:42-47

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.



Worship Services:

Sermon

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Saturday Service

5:30pm-Parish Center Liturgy 151

Hymns: 507, 941, 651, 895

Sunday Services

8:00am and 10:30am: Dedication Service

Scriptures for Today

1st Reading:	ls. 40:1-5	(p. 599)
Psalm:	Ps. 85:(1-6), 7-13	(p. 493)
Epistle:	Acts 13:13-26	(p. 921)
Gospel	Luke 1:57-80	(p. 856)

Those Serving This Week

Communion Assistants

Saturday
Steve Rossman
Sunday
Non-Communion Service

Ushers

Saturday
Barry Lowy, Josh Lowy, Rick Nance
Sunday 8am
Al Casolari, Kevin Cranford, Lynn Friday,
Bill Miller, and Barry Nass
Sunday 10:30am
Paul Hartman, Alan Krofchick,
Cliff Krueger, Chris Nickols,
Adam Strong

Musicians

Saturday
Carol Radkte
Sunday
Laura Fliege

Altar Committee

Saturday
Donna Harshaw, Sonya Cohn
Sunday
Carol Ponder, Betty Shaw



A Warm Welcome to our Visitors and Members!

- We would like to know who our visitors are, so either before or after the service, please sign the Visitor Register in the Welcome Center at the back of the sanctuary.
- Personal Assistive Listening Devices for persons with hearing problems are available from an usher.
- The offering is an act of worship for members and friends of Trinity, moved by God's love, to support this ministry. Visitors should not feel obligated to participate. We want you to feel welcome and we truly wish to serve you.
- If at any time during the service it becomes difficult for you to stand, by all means take a seat, even if others are standing. God knows our strengths and He understands our weaknesses and frailties, too. God bless you!



Our Practice in Participating in the Lord's Supper

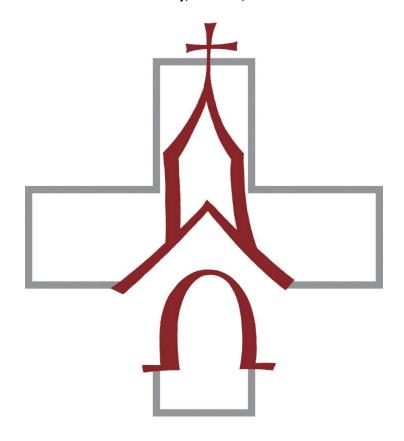
We're glad you are here worshipping with us! Today we will be celebrating Holy Communion. According to Christ and Holy Scripture, in this gift we receive the true body and blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-28, Luke 22:14-20, I Corinthians 10:16-21, I Corinthians 11:23-26). Through this blessing, we are also strengthened to live in faithfulness to Christ, lead more Godly lives and have a deeper love for one another. Those communing are publicly professing that they believe these things to be true and are also giving witness that they are in agreement with the teaching of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

St. Paul tells us that those who take Communion without proper instruction take it to their great harm (I Corinthians 11:29). We don't want that for anyone; therefore, we ask that anyone holding a different Christian confession or belief about the Lord's Supper refrain from Communion. If you are not Communing with us today, we encourage you to come forward with those in your aisle to receive a blessing. Simply indicate your presence by crossing your hands on the rail (or in front of your body for Saturday night worshipers). If you have questions about our Communion policy or our beliefs please feel free to speak to one of the pastors after the service or indicate on an attendance card that you would like to be contacted. May God bless us all as we worship Him in His house today!

*Upon request, we offer a gluten free communion wafer. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Christian stewardship is the free and joyous activity of the child of God and God's family, the church, in managing all of life and life's resources for God's purposes. The Truth is...Christian living is not just a birth to death existence, but has a glorious eternity with Christ always in mind.

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist Saturday, June 23, 2018





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