### **Special Prayers for Today**

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 Elaine Moran in gratitude to God and in celebration of her birthday on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

## Last Week

| Offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work: | \$16,711.34 |
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| June 2018 Automatic Contributions      | \$7950.00   |

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

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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:** John the Baptist appears in this week's Sunday School Lesson, "John Tells People to Repent." As they study this Bible account, students will learn how God wants them to be sorry for their sins and seek his forgiveness. Consider these discussion questions: "How did John call the people to repent of their sins? What was John preparing them for: Who calls us to repent?"

**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!

# America, the Beautiful Katherine Lee Bates Samuel A. Ward

O beautiful for spacious skies, Foe amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife, Who more than self their country loved, And mercy more than life! America! America! May God thy gold refine Till all success be nobleness And every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years Thine alabaster cities gleam, Undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!



Sermon

"Men Are Weak..." 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 Rev. Jonathan Holmes

Saturday Service 5:30pm-Parish Center Liturgy 151 Hymns: America the Beautiful 664, 770

<u>Sunday Services</u> 8:00am-Church Liturgy 151 Hymns: America the Beautiful 664, 770

10:30am-Church Liturgy 151 Hymns: America the Beautiful 664, 839, 785, 770

### **Scriptures for Today**

| 1st Reading: | Ezek. 2:1-5    |
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| Psalm:       | Ps. 123        |
| Epistle:     | 2 Cor. 12:1-10 |
| Gospel       | Mark 6:1-13    |
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### **Those Serving This Week**

#### 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...We are at the same time fully saint and fully sinner. We live in this tension until that one day when Christ will take us home to be with Him forever.

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, July 8, 2018





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#### Ushers

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

<u>Saturday</u> Melissa Bowers

> <u>Sunday</u> Sue Rohe

### **Altar Committee**

Saturday Non-Communion Service

Sunday Rhonda Goeres, Florence Matheny

