

## This Week at Trinity Lutheran Church

### Sunday, September 25

*Coats and Blankets Appeal continues*  
Traditional Worship, 8 a.m.  
Flu Shot Sunday, 8:30 a.m. (*until 12:30 p.m.*)  
Rejoice Worship (Rejoice band), 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday School, 9:20 a.m.  
Live Streaming of Worship, 9:15 & 10:45 a.m.  
Traditional Worship, 10:45 a.m.  
Oasis Cooking Class, 2 p.m.  
Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.  
High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

### Monday, September 26

Stroller Barre, 9 a.m.  
Outreach Committee Meeting, 6 p.m.  
Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 6 p.m.  
Beyond Belief Band Rehearsal, 6 p.m.

### Tuesday, September 27

Council on Aging, 7:30 a.m.  
Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.  
Fitness Classes, 10 a.m.  
LWR Quilters, 10:30 a.m.  
Trinity Arts Committee Meeting, 4 p.m.  
Stephen Ministry Continuing Education, 6:30 p.m.  
Stephen Ministry Peer Support Group, 7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, September 28

Coffee & Donuts, 10:15 a.m.  
Pastor Bob's Adult Forum, 10:30 a.m.  
JOYful Days, 11:30 a.m.  
Fit4Baby, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, September 29

Fitness Classes, 10 a.m.  
Resound Bell Rehearsal, 6 p.m.  
Trinity Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m.

### Friday, September 30

Friday Morning Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

### Saturday, October 1

Habitat for Humanity Build, 8 a.m. (*until 4 p.m.*)  
Perennial Transplant Day, 9 a.m.

### Sunday, October 2

*Coats and Blankets Appeal continues*  
*Christmas Wreath Sale begins*  
Traditional Worship, 8 a.m.  
High School Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.  
Rejoice Worship (Beyond Belief band), 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday School, 9:20 a.m.  
Live Streaming of Worship, 9:15 & 10:45 a.m.  
Traditional Worship, 10:45 a.m.  
LWR Quilters, noon  
Middle School Youth Group, 2 p.m.  
Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.  
High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

## Assisting in Worship This Morning

### 8:00 a.m.

Sacristan: Elaine Rongey  
Lector: Carolyn Johnson  
Communion Assistants: Dale Barkema  
Mary Minich-Carwell  
Ushers: Bob Carwell, Bill and Meri Leidel  
Acolyte: Helena Philips

### 9:15 a.m.

Rejoice Band leading worship  
Sacristan: Ruth Ann Evans  
Lector: Karen Unruh  
Communion Assistants: Chris & Kim Engle  
Ushers: Brad & Pam Burkle, Bill Bush,  
Tim Lundgren, Karen Nagle,  
Pat Radloff  
Acolyte: Tyler Mason

### 10:45 a.m.

Cantor: Carrie Hoeksema  
Sacristan: Lois McCardell  
Lector: Steve Cairns  
Communion Assistants: Kai Bredwell  
Michael Mulligan  
Ushers: Jenn Becker, Kara Day, Gene Gunderson,  
Carol Hendricks, David Kuecherer,  
Chris Kutschinski, Jordan Wiseman  
Acolyte: Riley Day  
Bread Baker: Marcia Schaner

## Trinity Members in Our Prayers

We pray for **Trinity members in times of illness, hospitalization, rehabilitation and recovery**: Sue Bailey, Mark Baker, Krysta Billock, Jim and Sue Boyse, Pat Bruin, Cheryl Bushman, Mike Danielski, Beth and Gordy Engstrom, Ruth Ann Evans, Elias Frezghi, Eric Gohlke, Bob Guigue, Mark Hahn, Bob Heine, Callan Hughes, Carol Huttenga, Patricia Johnson, Roy Lamprich, Lloyd and Allison Landon, Marilyn Leese, Jane Legault, Matthew Lohr, Tim Lundgren, Judy Mallen, Tom Mannisto, Rebecca Mattison, Carolyn McCreedy, Jill McKinney, Marilyn Mellema, John and Karin Moglia, Christophe Muganza, Charmayne Mulligan, Jo Murphy, Karen Nagle, John and Kris Racek, Jacqueline Riegling, Marian Schaible, Chas Schaner, Chris Schomberg, Lee Schomberg, Pam Sellers, Michael Smith, Joan Start, David Straw, Franny Turnage, Gale Volkerding, Sue Wait, John Walls, Robert Williams, Donna and Eric Wollen, Peyton Wollen, Rick and Michelle Wolner, David Young, Kay Zeaman, Kathryn Zielinski and Cindy Zientarski.

We also lift up **Trinity families mourning the loss of loved ones**: George Bauer, Todd and Bonnie Brandstadt, Renee Brinks, Jennifer Brown, Bill and Patricia Bruin, Morgan and Jaci Cole, Jack Danielson, Sharon Fourcha, Eric Gohlke, Keith Gohlke, Bob and Nanci Guigue, Carol Hendricks, Linda Holm, Sarah and David Huckstep, John and Emily Keller, Terry and Susan Knoll, Ed and Joan Lohr, Dolly Lowe, David and Rebecca Marquardt, Mark and Rebecca Mattison, Craig and Patti Mutch, Tammy Parat, Lee and Ann Schomberg, Doug and Joan Start, Linda Taffs, Gale and Dale Volkerding, Julie Williams, Phillip Youngman, and John and Missy Ziech.

We also lift up in prayer this week Pastor Sue Hand and the people of Zion Lutheran Church in Saginaw, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

## Readings & Hymns for September 25

Amos 6:1a, 4-7  
Psalm 146

1 Timothy 6:6-19  
Luke 16:19-31

#853 When Morning Gilds the Skies (red book)  
#1062 Build a Longer Table (purple book)  
#723 Cantic of the Turning (red book)

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022  
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST



*Real life is filled with faith and generosity.*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 16:19-31	Poor Lazarus and the rich man
Monday	Amos 6:1a, 4-7	Judgment for a self-indulgent life
Tuesday	1 Timothy 6:6-19	The good fight of faith
Wednesday	Proverbs 11:24-25	Be generous
Thursday	Luke 21:1-4	The widow's offering
Friday	Acts 20:32-35	Paul says goodbye to the church
Saturday	Psalms 146	Praise for God's help
Sunday	Luke 17:5-10	Faith the size of a mustard seed

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

*They [the rich] are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, 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. 1 Timothy 6:18-19 (NRSV)*

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### **A Prayer for the Week:**

Dear God, help us to be sensitive to the hurts and pains of others that we may lead content lives, generous with what we have for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Mealttime Prayer:**

Bless, O Lord, this food to our use and us to your service. And keep us ever mindful of the needs of others. In Jesus name, amen.

#### **A Blessing to Give:**

May the God who watches over the needy, watch over you with generosity. (Psalm 146:9)



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### HYMN OF THE WEEK

*O God of Love,  
O King of Peace*



### WEEKLY MILESTONES



Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

### CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When have you helped a stranger in need? What did you do?
- What gets in the way of reaching out to others with compassion and generosity?

### DEVOTIONS



*Read:* Luke 16:19-31.

Why could the rich man not see and respond to the poor and diseased Lazarus who lies at the rich man's gate? What is it about consumption and wealth (v. 19) that can lead to complacency and a lack of concern at the demise of others? Amos calls it out and judges the people of Judah who were not grieved by the destruction of the northern kingdom of Israel (Amos 6:6). Like the rich man, the people of Judah did not seem to care about the destruction of Israel. The people were content with their life of leisure. The rich man in Luke could not see—or at least care about—the needs of Lazarus nor, it appears, to “listen to Moses and the prophets” (v. 31). The good news is that what is needed for life and faith is not wealth but the word of God that is already in front of us. A living faith receives and responds to God's message of compassion and care for the needy. Jesus embodies and lifts up a life that is able to show the love that the rich man was unable to provide Lazarus. The rich man's insensitivity created a loss for him as well as for Lazarus.

*Discuss:* How does God open your eyes to see the needs of others?

*Pray:* **Loving God, give us eyes of faith to see the needs of our neighbor and the desire to care for others as you care for us each and every day through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, what can you do to help and care for someone in need?

### RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Giving is a response to God's generosity. Walk around your house and look in closets and drawers. Make a list of things you no longer use or need. Think or talk about who may appreciate and need them and consider taking them to organizations who can give them to those in need. Conclude your time reflecting on the theme for this week, and then pray: **Lord, fill me with faith and generosity. Amen.**



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