



HOLY TRINITY/MISSION FESTIVAL

Luther Memorial Church June 15, 2025

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession
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Worship. 9am

Fellowship Meal 10:30am

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

PSALM: 2 (TLH Pg. 123);

PRAYERS: 74 (Pg. 109); **73** (Pg. 109).

HYMNS: 505 770 769 507

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 505 - "*O'er the Gloomy Hills of Darkness*"

A SERVICE OF THE WORD

(Worship Supplement Pg. 22)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

Congregation: **If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We stand forgiven. With boldness and confidence, we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

LESSON ONE:

JONAH 1:1-17

Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, ²“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me.” ³But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the Lord.

⁴But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up. ⁵Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried out to his god. And they hurled the cargo that was in the ship into the sea to lighten it for them. But Jonah had gone down into the inner part of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. ⁶So the captain came and said to him, “What do you mean, you sleeper? Arise, call out to your god! Perhaps the god will give a thought to us, that we may not perish.”

⁷And they said to one another, “Come, let us cast lots, that we may know on whose account this evil has come upon us.” So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. ⁸Then they said to him, “Tell us on whose account this evil has come upon us. What is your occupation? And where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?” ⁹And he said to them, “I am a Hebrew, and I fear the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.” ¹⁰Then the men were exceedingly afraid and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the Lord, because he had told them.

¹¹ Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea grew more and more tempestuous. ¹² He said to them, “Pick me up and hurl me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great tempest has come upon you.” ¹³ Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to get back to dry land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more tempestuous against them. ¹⁴ Therefore they called out to the Lord, “O Lord, let us not perish for this man’s life, and lay not on us innocent blood, for you, O Lord, have done as it pleased you.” ¹⁵ So they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. ¹⁶ Then the men feared the Lord exceedingly, and they offered a sacrifice to the Lord and made vows.

¹⁷ And the Lord appointed a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights. *

LESSON TWO:

JONAH 3:1-10

Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, ² “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” ³ So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. ⁴ Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵ And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

⁶ The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷ And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, “By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, ⁸ but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. ⁹ Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish.”

¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it. *

CONFESSION OF FAITH: THE ATHANASIAN CREED

Whoever wants to be saved should above all hold to the Christian faith. Anyone who does not keep it whole and unbroken will doubtless perish eternally.

Now this is the Christian faith: that we worship one God in trinity and the Trinity in unity, neither blending their persons nor dividing their essence.

For the person of the Father is a distinct person, the person of the Son is another, and that of the Holy Spirit still another. But the divinity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit is one, their glory equal, their majesty coeternal.

What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The Father is uncreated; the Son is uncreated; the Holy Spirit is uncreated.

The Father is unlimited; the Son is unlimited; the Holy Spirit is unlimited.

The Father is eternal; the Son is eternal; the Holy Spirit is eternal. And yet there are not three eternal beings; there is but one eternal being. So too there are not three uncreated or unlimited beings; there is but one uncreated and unlimited being.

Similarly, the Father is almighty; the Son is almighty; the Holy Spirit is almighty. Yet there are not three almighty beings; there is but one almighty being.

Thus, the Father is God; the Son is God; the Holy Spirit is God. Yet there are not three gods; there is but one God.

Thus, the Father is Lord; the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord. Yet there are not three lords; there is but one Lord.

Just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually as both God and Lord, so the Christian religion forbids us to say that there are three gods or lords.

The Father was neither made nor created nor begotten from anyone. The Son was neither made nor created; he was begotten from the Father alone. The Holy Spirit was neither made nor created nor begotten; he proceeds from the Father and the Son.

Accordingly there is one Father, not three fathers; there is one Son, not three sons; there is one Holy Spirit, not three holy spirits. Nothing in this Trinity is before or after, nothing is greater or smaller; in their entirety the three persons are coeternal and coequal with each other.

So in everything, as was said earlier, we must worship their trinity in their unity and their unity in their trinity. Anyone, who desires to be saved should think thus about the Trinity.

But it is necessary for eternal salvation that one also believe in the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ faithfully.

Now this is the true faith: That we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and human equally.

He is God from the essence of the Father, begotten before time; and he is human from the essence of his mother, born in time; completely God, completely human, with a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father as regards divinity, less than the Father as regards humanity.

Although he is God and human, yet Christ is not two, but one. He is one, however, not by his divinity being turned into flesh, but by God's taking humanity to himself. He is one, certainly not by the blending of his essence, but by the unity of his person. For just as one human is both rational soul and flesh, so too the one Christ is both God and human.

He suffered for our salvation; He descended to hell; He arose from the dead; He ascended to heaven; He is seated at the Father's right hand; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. At his coming all people will arise bodily and give an accounting of their own deeds. Those who have done good will enter eternal life, and those who have done evil will enter eternal fire.

This is the Christian faith: one cannot be saved without believing it firmly and faithfully.

HYMN: 770 - *“I Hear the Savior Calling”*

THE SERMON:

JONAH 4:1-11

But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he became angry. ² So he prayed to the Lord, and said, “Ah, Lord, was not this what I said when I was still in my country? Therefore I fled previously to Tarshish; for I know that You *are* a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, One who relents from doing harm. ³ Therefore now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for *it is* better for me to die than to live!”

⁴ Then the Lord said, “*Is it* right for you to be angry?”

⁵ So Jonah went out of the city and sat on the east side of the city. There he made himself a shelter and sat under it in the shade, till he might see what would become of the city. ⁶ And the Lord God prepared a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be shade for his head to deliver him from his misery. So Jonah was very grateful for the plant. ⁷ But as morning dawned the next day God prepared a worm, and it *so* damaged the plant that it withered. ⁸ And it happened, when the sun arose, that God prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat on Jonah’s head, so that he grew faint. Then he wished death for himself, and said, “*It is* better for me to die than to live.” ⁹ Then God said to Jonah, “*Is it* right for you to be angry about the plant?” And he said, “*It is* right for me to be angry, even to death!”

¹⁰ But the Lord said, “You have had pity on the plant for which you have not labored, nor made it grow, which came up in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹ And should I not pity Nineveh, that great city, in which are more than one hundred and twenty thousand persons who cannot discern between their right hand and their left—and much livestock?” **

GOD IS GRACIOUS AND MERCIFUL

THE PROPHET JONAH HAD A PROBLEM WITH THAT...DO YOU?

Our speaker this morning is known to many of you as a son of the congregation. Pastor Paul Krause serves Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in NE South Dakota.

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

We express our thanksgiving for what the Savior Jesus has done for us by supporting His Work with our time, talents and gifts. Should you wish to leave a gift, there are offering plates in the rear of the sanctuary. As our gifts are brought forward to His Altar, we sing His Praise.

THE OFFERING HYMN (TLH 234:1,3,6)

♪ Holy Ghost, with light divine Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the shades of night away, Turn the darkness into day.

♪ Holy Ghost, with power divine Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
In Thy mercy pity me, From sin's bondage set me free.

♪ See, to Thee I yield my heart, Shed Thy life through every part;
A pure temple I would be, Wholly dedicate to Thee.

PRAYER(S) /THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: 769 - *"Lift High the Cross"*

THE BENEDICTION: (Pastor) **CONGREGATION:** "Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 507 - *"Spread, Oh, Spread, Thou Mighty Word"*

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in Jesus' name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will return and join us again. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please either speak with the pastor or with an usher on the way out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 15, 2025

THIS MORNING

We will have a fellowship meal following worship this morning in the fellowship hall next door. join us!

THIS WEEK

Tuesday-Thursday: General Pastoral Conference, EC, WI

Sunday: Worship 9am

GENERAL BUDGET

The 2025 General Budget was set in our Annual Meeting at \$130,000.00. We have thus far received: \$59,738.25 toward that budget.

COOPERATIVE BUDGET PLEDGE

We have pledged to send \$22,000 to support the work of the LORD in our church body, the Church of the Lutheran Confession in 2024-25. Thus far we have received \$17,165.00 toward that pledge.

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP HOUR 2025

There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board for those who would like to host a Family Fellowship Hour during 2025. November remains without a host, so please take a look and sign up when you can host!

PIANO/VIOLIN RECITAL

A piano/violin recital is planned for Sunday June 29th in the fellowship hall following worship.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The 2025 Summer Vacation Bible School has been scheduled for the week of August 11-15, 2025. The VBS Theme is "Incrediworld, Amazement Park, A Journey Through God's Creation.

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH PICNIC

This year's Luther Memorial Church Picnic is scheduled for Sunday August 17th following worship.

CALL REPLY OF TEACHER DAN BARTHELS

I have received the divine call from the Lord that He gave me through your congregation to be teacher and principal of Luther Memorial School. After prayerful consideration, the Lord has led me to return the call. My thoughts and prayers are with you that the Lord will provide a teacher for your school if it be His will for this school year.

Yours in Christ, Daniel Barthels

SPOKESMAN/DAILY REST RENEWAL

It's time for the annual renewal of our synod publications Daily Rest and Lutheran Spokesman. The subscription to Daily Rest expires after the current issue (Volume 7.2, August 31st). The subscription to the Lutheran Spokesman expires after the June 2025 issue.

The subscription list to each of these publications is posted on the bulletin board in the entryway. Please review the list of names and if an address needs to be updated, please indicate it by crossing out the old address and entering the new. If you no longer wish to receive the publication, put an x in the delete box to the left of your name.

The cost of a yearly subscription to the Lutheran Spokesman is \$20. The cost of a yearly subscription to Daily Rest is \$15. Payments are to be placed in the offering plate and/or indicated on the envelope. Renewals and payments are due by June 30, 2025.

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Frank Gantt has accepted the call of Faith Lutheran in Manchester (St. Louis Area) MO and will also continue serving the various groups (AL, GA, NC & TN) of Zion Lutheran Church of Loganville, GA • Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, Wisconsin has called Pastor Mark Tiefel, who currently serves Peace through Christ in Middleton (Madison) WI. • Professor Joel Gullerud has returned the call to serve as principal of Immanuel Lutheran K-12 School, Mankato, MN. • Lori Ruthenbeck has been called to teach for one year part-time at St. John's Lutheran School in Okabena, MN. Lori is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. • Luther Memorial in Fond du Lac, WI has called Teacher Emeritus Dan Barthels to serve as teacher at Luther Memorial School. He has since returned that call.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2025

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Luther Memorial to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.

Amount Pledged 2024	Received as of 6/8/25	Amount Remaining	Approximate per Sunday (3)
\$22,000	\$17,165.00	\$4,835.00	\$1,612.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – 6/8/2025

Attendance: 6/8 -64

General Fund (Budgetary)	General Missions (CBP)	Kinship (Missions)	MDF (Missions)	M & I Fund (Non-Budgetary)
\$1,749.00	\$355.00	\$60.00	\$50.00	\$10.00
Spokesman (Non-Budgetary)	Daily Rest (Non-Budgetary)			
\$40.00	\$15.00			

Total Offerings: \$2,279.00

Luther Memorial General Budget 2025

The Voters of Luther Memorial established the general budget at the Annual Meeting in January of 2025. All Budgetary offerings are applied to this budget. This fiscal year runs from January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025.

General Budget	Received as of 6/8/25	Amount Remaining	Approximate Amount (29 Sundays)
\$130,000.00	\$59,738.25	\$70,261.75	\$2,423.00

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BIBLE READINGS FOR DEVOTIONS JUNE 16-21, 2025

Monday - Matthew 28:18-20 On the basis of His authority, Jesus commissions His disciples to gather more disciples from all nations, baptizing them into the name of the triune God – Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

Tuesday – Ephesians 1:3-10 In a grand sweep, the apostle praises the triune God (vv3,13) for His saving acts in Christ from beginning to end and through all eternity. He chose, adopted, redeemed, and enlightened us!

Wednesday – Ephesians 1:11-12 In connection with Christ, we have not only been spared deserved punishment, but have also been given a bright future, an inheritance to look forward to in Him.

Thursday – Ephesians 1:13-14 In Christ, we who have been forgiven all our sins and given a bright future, are even now sustained by the promised Holy Spirit, who persuaded us to believe and keeps us in the faith.

Friday – Numbers 6:22-27 In the ancient benediction we are reminded of the triune God, who preserves us, who brings us God's grace, and who fills our hearts with His peace. He puts His name upon us to bless us.

Saturday – Isaiah 6:1-13 Especially at the beginning of the Trinity season, the “Holy, Holy, Holy” of the angels (seraphim) remind us of the saving work of our three-one God, who can bring life even from a stump (v13).



These devotions are produced by Pastor/Professor Emeritus Paul Schaller and sent out on a weekly basis. Graphics in the bulletin are taken from Church Art Online via a regular legal subscription.

HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PSALM 2

Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? ²The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying, ³“Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us.”

⁴He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.

⁵Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, ⁶“As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.”

⁷I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you. ⁸Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. ⁹You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

¹⁰Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

¹¹Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. ¹²Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him. *

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR PEACE

O God, you are the author of peace. Defend us, your humble servants, against every assault of our enemies, that we, surely trusting in Your defense, may not fear the power of any adversary; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR THE BLESSEDNESS OF HEAVEN

Almighty, Everlasting God, who gave Your only Son to be a High Priest of good things to come, hereafter grant to us, Your unworthy servants, to have our share in the company of the blessed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN: O’ER THE GLOOMY HILLS OF DARKNESS

**1. O'er the gloomy hills of darkness, Cheered by no celestial ray,
Sun of Righteousness, arising, Bring the bright, the glorious day.
Let the morning Of Thy blessed Gospel dawn.**

**2. Kingdoms wide that sit in darkness, Grant them, Lord, the
glorious light; And from eastern coast to western May the
morning chase the night And redemption, Freely purchased, win
the day!**

3. Fly abroad, eternal Gospel; Win and conquer, never cease. May Thy lasting, wide dominions Multiply and still increase! May Thy scepter Sway th' enlightened world around!

HYMN

I HEAR THE SAVIOR CALLING

1. I hear the Savior calling! The gospel comes to me. My eyes once closed in blindness Are opened now to see That I myself was helpless To live eternally, But, dying, Christ did save me, And now He calls for me!

2. I hear the Savior calling! He leads a soul to me, A soul in bitter anguish, One needing to be free. The gift I have to offer is Christ, my Lord's decree That all have been forgiven – My Savior calls for me!

3. I hear the Savior calling! He gives this charge to me: To serve the best I'm able, Whate'er the call may be. Thus hand in hand with others Who share the gospel key We spread the gospel tidings – My Savior calls for me!

4. I hear the Savior calling! He changes hearts for me. From door to door I witness To share my Savior's plea; Yet nothing can be added, No word on bended knee, Beyond the simple gospel – My Savior calls for me!

5. I hear the Savior calling! His call has urgency! Each moment souls are dying; Soon comes eternity. And so, my precious Savior, This is my humble plea: Prepare me for my mission For You are calling me!

THE OFFERING HYMN

(TLH 234:1,3,6)

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♪ Holy Ghost, with power divine Cleanse this guilty heart of mine; In Thy mercy pity me, From sin's bondage set me free.

♪ See, to Thee I yield my heart, Shed Thy life through every part; A pure temple I would be, Wholly dedicate to Thee.

HYMN

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

Refrain: Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain

2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign, The hosts of God in con-qu'ring ranks combine. Refrain

3. So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory. Refrain.

HYMN SPREAD, OH, SPREAD, THOU MIGHT WORD

1. Spread, oh, spread, thou mighty Word, Spread the kingdom of the Lord, Wheresoe'er His breath has giv'n Life to beings meant for heav'n.

2. Tell them how the Father's will Made the world and keeps it still, How His only Son He gave Man from sin and death to save.

3. Tell of our Redeemer's love, Who forever doth remove By His holy sacrifice All the guilt that on us lies.

4. Tell them of the Spirit giv'n Now to guide us up to heav'n, Strong and holy, just and true, Working both to will and do.

5. Up! The ripening fields ye see. Mighty shall the harvest be; But the reapers still are few, Great the work they have to do.

6. Lord of Harvest, let there be Joy and strength to work for Thee Till the nations far and near See Thy light and learn Thy fear. Amen.