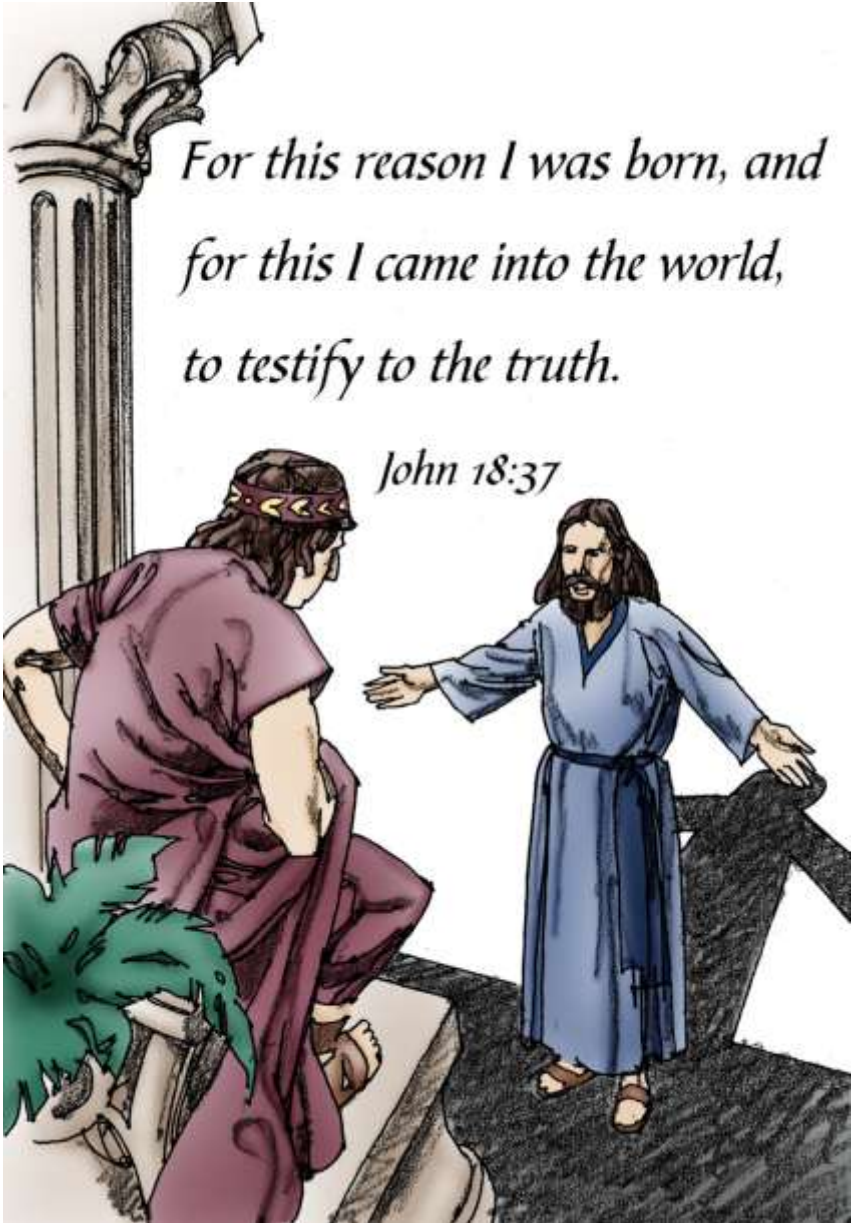


*For this reason I was born, and
for this I came into the world,
to testify to the truth.*

John 18:37



TRINITY NINETEEN

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

PSALM: 32 (TLH Pg. 130);

PRAYERS: 77 (Pg. 109); **70** (Pg. 109).

HYMNS: 27 355 292:1-5

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 27 - "Oh, Bless the Lord, My Soul"

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT (Setting One, WS. Pg. 1-11)

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

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Congregation: Almighty God, our maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: ♪ Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to all people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory.**

**♪ Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

OT LESSON:

GENESIS 1:26-31

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹ And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. *

EPISTLE LESSON:

JAMES 5:13-20

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

¹⁹ My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, ²⁰ let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins. *

GOSPEL LESSON:

JOHN 9:24-41

²⁴ So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵ He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." ²⁶ They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" ²⁷ He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" ²⁸ And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹ We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." ³⁰ The man answered, "Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹ We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. ³² Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind.

³³ If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” ³⁴ They answered him, “You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?” And they cast him out.

³⁵ Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” ³⁶ He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” ³⁷ Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.” ³⁸ He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. ³⁹ Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.” ⁴⁰ Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?” ⁴¹ Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.*

ALLELUIA

Pastor: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Congregation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH: THE NICENE CREED (WS. Pg. 5)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made;

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead And the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN: 355 - *“Thou Art the Way; to Thee Alone”*

THE SERMON:

JOHN 18:37-38

³⁷ Pilate therefore said to Him, “Are You a king then?” Jesus answered, “You say *rightly* that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.” ³⁸ Pilate said to Him, “What is truth?” And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, “I find no fault in Him at all. **

THE LIES OF SATAN

#5 – We can’t really know the truth.

THE TRUTH...

...about Jesus’ Kingdom and Kingship.

...about Jesus’ purpose in coming.

...about His innocence and our guilt.

...about our justification.

THE OFFERTORY

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, Renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold me with Your free Spirit.

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. These gifts are NOT collected during worship but placed in the rear of the sanctuary at the beginning of worship.

THE OFFERING HYMN

(TLH 244:1-3)

♪ Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

♪ Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain; Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glory, glory, To the Lamb that once was slain!

♪ Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King, Glory to the King of nations; Heaven and earth, your praises bring! Glory, glory, To the King of Glory sing!

PRAYER(S)/THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

CLOSING HYMN: 292:1-5 - *"Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide"*

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. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's Word. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please either speak with an usher on the way out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 11, 2026

THIS WEEK

Tuesday: LM Confirmation 3-4pm; LM Council 6pm

Wednesday: Woodlands Services 10am, 10:30am;

LH Confirmation Class 4:15pm

Sunday: LM Bible Study 9am; LM Worship 10am;

LH Worship 12:30pm; LH Bible Study 1:30pm

GENERAL BUDGET

The 2026 General Budget has been set by the Voters in our Annual Meeting at: \$120,120.00. We have thus far received: \$.53 toward that budget.

COOPERATIVE BUDGET PLEDGE

We have pledged to send \$25,000 to support the work of the LORD in our church body, the Church of the Lutheran Confession in 2026-27. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027. Thus far we have received \$.00 toward that pledge.

NEED TO STEP OUT?

If you need to step out to tend to one of your children you can continue watching the service on your phone. Hang in there. You are doing a great job! Simply scan this QR Code to watch the service on your smartphone.



WORSHIP CREW

We are always in need of help in carrying out our worship service without an organist. If you've been thinking that you could help with the slides or the streaming service and would like to learn how to do it, please speak with Mr. Rodney Kern.

LADIES OF LUTHER MEMORIAL ORPHAN

The Ladies of Luther Memorial support an Orphan through Project Kinship. The cost is about \$300 per year. They have thus far received \$99 to support that orphan. Please consider giving to this worthy cause.

JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE – LIVING HOPE

Living Hope in Appleton are next up in the rotation for the Joint Reformation Service and have agreed to host that service on Sunday October 25th at 4pm. Please consider making the short 45-minute trip up to 3100 East Calumet Street in two weeks also as a way of encouraging the congregation. There will a meal following the service.

INSTANT CHURCH DIRECTORY

*The Mission Committee is excited to introduce **Instant Church Directory**, an easy and convenient way for our church family to stay connected. With Instant Church Directory, you'll be able to 1) View our church directory from your computer or mobile device, 2) Easily find names and contact information for fellow church members, 3) Put faces with names through member photos, 4) Keep up with directory information as it is updated, 5) Access the directory through a secure, private system available to our church family.*

This is NOT SOCIAL MEDIA. We understand the importance of protecting personal information. Instant Church Directory is a private, password-protected directory intended only for members of our church. The directory is NOT a public website and access is limited only to specific individuals verified by our church.

Interested? You will need to provide an e-mail address before you can log in. Your e-mail address helps to identify your account and provides a secure way to access the directory. If you are interested, please provide an e-mail address and you will be sent directions how to log in.

SAVE THE DATE – ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

*The ladies of Luther Memorial Church warmly invite you to Advent by Candlelight on **Sunday, December 6, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.** Join us as we reflect on the Good News proclaimed through the birth of our Savior, the Great Joy we receive through the Gospel message, and the beautiful reminder that this Good News is for All People! We look forward to sharing this special afternoon of faith, fellowship, and the light of Christ with you!*

LIES OF SATAN

JESUS said of the Devil (John 8:44b):

"He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it."

Therefore, if we are to be on guard against the enemy (cf. 1 Peter 5:8–11), then we must recognize the lies that he uses with great success, and cling instead to the Truth of Scripture.



DATE

THE LIE

10/11

"WE CAN'T REALLY KNOW THE TRUTH."

10/18

"WE NEED TIME AWAY FROM CHURCH."

10/25

"THERE IS MORE THAN ONE WAY TO HEAVEN."

11/1

"JUDGE NOT..."

11/8

"IF YOU ARE A GOOD PERSON, YOU'LL GET TO HEAVEN."

CLC CALL NEWS

St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Lemmon, SD, has called Pastor Frank Gantt who currently serves Zion Ev. Lutheran in Loganville, GA and Faith Lutheran in Manchester (St. Louis) MO. • Mount Zion Lutheran in Madison Heights (Detroit) MI has called Pastor Paul Krause who currently serves Trinity Ev. Lutheran in Watertown, SD and Zion Ev. Lutheran in Hidewood Township, SD. • Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ has called Pastor Neal Radichel, who currently serves Messiah Lutheran, EC, WI • Pastor Tim Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran in Hecla, SD, Zion Ev. Lutheran Church in Aberdeen and Redeemer Lutheran Church in Bowdle, SD, has accepted the call of the CLC Board of Missions to serve as Part-Time Missionary to Mexico. • Pastor Rob Sauers of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL, has been called by the CLC Board of Missions to serve as Part-Time Missionary to India. • Gift of God in Mapleton (Fargo) ND and St. Paul's in Ponsford, MN, have called Pastor Michael Wilke, who currently serves Gethsemane in Saginaw, MI. • Missionary Todd Ohlmann has returned the call of Messiah Lutheran in EC, WI.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2026-27

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, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

Amount Pledged 2026	Received as of 10/4/26	Amount Remaining	Approximate per Sunday (38)
\$25,000	\$	\$	\$

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – LM Offerings 10/4/26

Attendance: 10/4 – 97 (Online - 24) - 121

General Fund (Budgetary)	General Missions (CBP)	MDF (Missions)	Kinship (Missions)	ILC SAF (Missions)
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Offerings: \$				

Luther Memorial General Budget 2026

The Voters of Luther Memorial established the General Fund Budget at the Annual Meeting January 18, 2026. The fiscal year is from January 1 – December 31, 2026.

General Budget	Received as of 10/4/26	Amount Remaining	Remaining Amount (17 Sundays)
\$120,120.00	\$	\$	\$

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HOME DEVOTIONS FOR OCTOBER 12-17, 2026

Monday – Matthew 9:1-8 A paralyzed man is brought to Jesus, but Jesus deals with his sin as the first priority. Then He uses His power to heal the man's body and show His authority to forgive the man's sins.

Tuesday – Ephesians 4:22-28 Paul reminds the Ephesian Christians to take off the old sinful self and to put on the new self-created to be like God. This will make a real difference in their day to day lives with one another.

Wednesday – Isaiah 44:21-23 The LORD wants His people to keep in mind that He has made them His servants, redeeming them and removing their sins and rebellions. Shout for joy, O heavens; rejoice, O earth!

Thursday – Psalm 61 King David may be "out on a limb," but he remembers where his strength and refuge are (v3). He knows who has heard his vows (v5), and whose merciful presence has filled his heart with music!

Friday – John 1:35-39 John the Baptizer directs his disciples to Jesus as "the Lamb of God." This one takes away the sin of the world. They go to Jesus, and He invites them to come and see where He is staying.

Saturday – Psalm 119:145-152 To call from the heart, to call to the LORD, this is what we want to remember to do. Whether early in the morning (v147), or late at night (v148), we wait to hear His merciful Word (v149).



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 32

¹Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. ²Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. ⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. *Selah*

⁵I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Selah*

⁶Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. ⁷You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. *Selah*

⁸I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. ⁹Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. ¹⁰Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord. ¹¹Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart! *

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR AN ANSWER TO PRAYER

Almighty God, you have promised to hear the prayers of those who ask in Your Son's name, so we ask you to listen to those who have now made prayers and supplications to You; and grant that those things asked in faith according to Your will may be given that we may find relief in our necessity and in return glorify Your name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord. Amen.

FOR HUMILITY

O God, you resist the proud and give grace to the humble. Grant to us true humility, like that of Your Son Jesus Christ, that we may never be lifted up in pride and provoke Your anger, but in all lowliness be made partakers of the gifts of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN

OH, BLESS THE LORD, MY SOUL

1. Oh, bless the Lord, my soul! Let all within me join And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose favors are divine.
2. Oh, bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mercies lie Forgotten in unthankfulness And without praises die!
3. 'Tis He forgives thy sins; 'Tis He relieves thy pain; 'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses And makes thee young again.
4. He crowns thy life with love When ransomed from the grave; He that redeemed my soul from hell Hath sovereign power to save.
5. He fills the poor with good; He gives the sufferers rest: The Lord hath judgments for the proud And justice for th' oppress.
6. His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known, But sent the world His truth and grace By His beloved Son.

HYMN

THOU ART THE WAY; TO THEE ALONE

1. Thou art the Way; to Thee alone From sin and death we flee; And he who would the Gather seek Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee.
2. Thou art the Truth; Thy Word alone True wisdom can impart; Thou only canst inform the mind And purify the heart.
3. Thou art the Life; the rending tomb Proclaims Thy conquering arm; And those who put their trust in Thee Nor death nor hell shall harm.
4. Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life; Grant us that Way to know, That Truth to keep, that life Life to win, Whose joys eternal flow.

THE OFFERING HYMN

(TLH 244:1-3)

♪ Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

♪ Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain; Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glory, glory, To the Lamb that once was slain!

♪ Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King, Glory to the King of nations; Heaven and earth, your praises bring! Glory, glory, To the King of Glory sing!

HYMN

LORD JESUS CHRIST, WITH US ABIDE

1. Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide, For round us falls the eventide;
Nor let Thy Word, that heavenly light, For us be ever veiled in night.

2. In these last days of sore distress Grant us, dear Lord, true steadfastness
That pure we keep, till life is spent, Thy holy Word and Sacrament.

3. Lord Jesus, help, Thy Church uphold, For we are sluggish, thoughtless, cold.
Oh, prosper well Thy Word of grace And spread its truth in every place!

4. Oh, keep us in Thy Word, we pray; The guile and rage of Satan stay!
Oh, may Thy mercy never cease! Give concord, patience, courage, peace.

5. O God, how sin's dread works abound! Throughout the earth no rest is found,
And falsehood's spirit wide has spread, And error boldly rears its head. Amen.