

## THE GUIDE +++

**November 15 2020**

**Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

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### THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN. 8:30 AM Worship Service  
9:30 AM Sunday School, Alpha, W.L.S., College Plus  
10:15 AM Worship Service

TUE. 9:30 AM Morning Bible Study

WED. 8:30 AM **Guide/Bulletin** deadline  
8:20 AM Chapel  
6:30 PM WDS

THURS 7:00 PM Budget & Election meeting

SUN. 8:30 AM Worship Service  
9:30 AM Sunday School, Alpha, W.L.S., College Plus  
10:15 AM Worship Service

**November 8 8:30: 81 10:15: 70 Total 151 - Year Ago: 117 - Sunday School: 35**

Welcome Psalm 90 begins: "Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations." A beloved hymn echoes: "O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come." Welcome, as we worship God, our eternal home and shelter.

*If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

**Women of Trinity** are taking orders for poinsettias until November 22. The prices remain the same at \$5, \$10, and \$20. The colors available in all sizes are red, white, pink, and marble. The colors only available in the \$10 size are Winter Rose, Red Glitter and Ice Crystal. Christmas cactuses are also available in the \$5, and \$10 size. They also have bags of pecan halves and pieces available year round for \$10/bag. To order or purchase any of these, you can call the church office at 682-3881 during school hours 8-3, Kathryn Kirby at 682-5429 or contact any other Women of Trinity member.

**LYF** Don't forget to check out the LYF card selection in the nursery/choir room! We have a great selection of occasions, including Thanksgiving. Individual cards are \$0.50 and boxes are priced as marked. We appreciate your support!

**Weekday School** There will be **NO** Weekday School November 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Altar Flowers** The altar flowers for the month of November are in memory of Roy and Vera Schmitt from their family.

**FOR THE LORD'S WORK**

<u>CURRENT OFFERINGS</u>	<u>\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ RECEIVED</u>	<u>\$ DIFFERENCE</u>
November 8	\$ 3,214.00	\$1,720.00	\$ -1,494.00
year-to-date	\$ 134,808.00	\$ 144,103.17	\$ -9,295.17
<u>SYNOD OFFERINGS</u>			
November 8	\$ 423.00	\$ 305.00	\$ -118.00
Year-to-date	\$ 18,789.00	\$15,700.00	\$ -3,089.00
<b>TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000</b>		Total to Date	\$6,545.00
Building \$310 Trinity \$50 Cemetery \$70 Operation Christmas Child \$110			

**November 8 \$2,565.00**

- 11/24 9:30 AM Morning Bible Study
- 6:30-8:00 PM WDS Christmas Practice
- 11/26 9:00 AM Thanksgiving Day Service

**LYF** Join us for a LYF Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at Trinity. We will be serving a delicious meal of pancakes and smoked sausage from 7-10AM. Dine in and carry out! We appreciate your support as we prepare to attend the Higher Things conference this summer in Michigan.

**Christmas Practice** The weekday school kids will start Christmas practice on **Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Angel Tree** Sponsored by the Stew-Stras Parent-Teacher-Student Association is organizing an Angel Tree project for the upcoming Christmas season. This project will go towards spreading a little extra Christmas cheer to students and families *right here in Stewardson-Strasburg community!* If you wish to participate in this project, please send your contribution to the school on or before Friday, November 20. Please make checks payable to: Stew-Stras PTSA-Christmas. Checks may be mailed to Stew-Stras High School, 2806 E 600 North Rd, Strasburg, IL 62465.

**Congratulations** To Isaac Kramer and Mariah Riley who were married on October 24. Isaac is the son of Kevin and Chris Kramer and Mariah is the daughter of Erin Mueller (stepfather John Mueller) and Josh Dunaway (stepmother Ashley Dunaway). The couple resides in rural Strasburg. God's blessings on this union!

**Congratulations** To Daniel Vogel and Sarah Thoele who were married on Saturday, November 7. Daniel is the son of Jay and Kathy Vogel and Sarah is the daughter of Larry and Barb Thoele. They will be residing in rural Strasburg.

**News** Due to all the Covid isolation, we seem to have less interaction with our members, if you have news that you would like in the guide or newsletter, please let the church secretary know as soon as possible.

**Thanksgiving Day Offering** this year the offering will be distributed to the following organizations. Lutheran Care Center (20%), Lutheran Hour Ministries (15%), LWML Mites(15%), KFUE Radio (10%), Bethesda (10%), LCMS World Relief (10%), Food For The Poor (10%), Dakota Ranch (10%).



### **ANNIVERSARIES**

19-Travis & Laura Dollarhide  
20-Otto & Lisa Rincker

### **BIRTHDAYS**

15-Sheryl Vonderheide  
16-Dean Schultz; Ella Storm  
17-Marilyn Kull; Zach Rincker;  
Corbyn\* Reel  
20-Gary Sporleder; Heath McCormick

### **HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK**

Christian & Jenna (Daryn) Merriman, Muriel Merriman, Patrick & Leigh Merriman, Nida Miller, Adam Moomaw, Janice & Mark Moomaw, Zachary Moomaw, Luke & Kalei Rincker, Michael & Laurie Rincker, Mildred Rincker, Otis & Donna Rincker, Otto & Lisa Rincker, Maxine Ruff

### **HEALING**

Brett Kull	Jackie Stodden
Diane Paraiso	Melba Storm
Anna Schlechte	Ken Hagan
Mary Rincker	Carolyn Stremming
Merle Ragan	Noah Vonderheide
Judy Wittenberg	Rosemary Sporleder
Carl Lading	Shirley Stremming

### **LIMITED MOBILITY**

Noma Rose Huddleston - Lakeland NH  
Imogene & Carl Lading - Villas of  
Holly Brook  
Nida Miller  
Bill Orr  
Mildred Rincker - Brookstone Suites  
Larry Storm - Heartland, Neoga  
Doris Stremming - Brookstone Suites  
Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone  
Mattoon  
Brett Kull- Shelbyville

### **FRIENDS & FAMILY** **(non-members)**

Jean Lowe (Hip Replacement-Susan  
Hanfland Friend)  
Erica Stollard (cancer)  
Matt Durbin  
Melissa Wirth  
Family of Crewe Jones  
Rhiannon (Wallace) Klier (surgery)  
Colin Kinkelaar (car accident)  
Dennis Ogle (cancer, Mac & Lois  
Ogle's son)  
Diana Vonderheide (Joe & Linda  
Oakley' daughter)  
Madonna Nichols (liver cancer)  
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's  
uncle)  
Karl Zalman (cancer)  
Bryan Mowry (Laurie Wirth's brother,  
health)  
Caralea (Moffett) Smith (cancer,  
undergoing treatments)  
Dave Polk (cancer, Virginia Vogel)  
Dennis Noffke (Stage IV bone cancer)  
Austin Miller, (leukemia, Dennis &  
Nitelle Lading's gson.)  
Sarah Grove (Neuroendocrine lung  
cancer)

**Twentieth-fourth Sunday after Pentecost, November 15, 2020**  
**PRESERVICE MUSIC – RINGING OF THE BELLS – WELCOME**

**Opening Hymn      God Himself Is Present**

*LSB 907*

- 1    God Himself is present: Let us now adore Him  
    And with awe appear before Him. God is in His temple;  
    All within keep silence; Humbly kneel in deepest rev'ence.  
    He alone On His throne Is our God and Savior; Praise His name forever!
- 3    Fount of ev'ry blessing, Purify my spirit,  
    Trusting only in Your merit. Like the holy angels,  
    Worshipping before You, May I ceaselessly adore You.  
    Let Your will Ever still Rule Your Church terrestrial As the hosts celestial.

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*Please be stand*

- P    In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. *LSB 203*
- C    **Amen.**
- P    Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C    **who made heaven and earth.**
- P    If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C    **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
- P    Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C    **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P    Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C    **Amen.**

**Glory to God in the Highest (spoken)**

*LSB 204*

- C    **1** To God on high be glory, And peace to all the earth;  
    Goodwill from God in heaven, Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
    We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing  
    Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heavenly King.

- 2** To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;  
 O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
 Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
 Where You in pow'r are seated, At God's right hand on high
- 3** For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
 Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;  
 You with the Holy Spirit, Alone are Lord Most High,  
 In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

*Please be seated*

**Epistle**

*1 Thessalonians 5:1–11*

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please Stand*

**Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 25:14–30*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Gospel is read.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Apostles' Creed**

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Please be Seated*

**Sermon Hymn Jerusalem, my happy home**

*TLH 618*

- 1** Jerusalem, my happy home, Name ever dear to me,  
 When shall my labors have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
- 4** Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there, Around my Savior stand;  
 And soon my friends in Christ below, Will join the glorious band.
- 5** Jerusalem, my happy home, When shall I come to thee?  
 When shall my labors have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?

**6** O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare, For that bright home of love  
That I may see Thee and adore, With all Thy saints above.

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## **Sermon "Living Watchful Lives" 1Thess 5:1-11**

*Please Stand*

### **Prayer of the Church**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

**P 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.**

#### **Closing Collect**

**P** Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

#### **Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

**C Amen.**

#### **Closing Hymn Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise**

*LSB 917*

**1** Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace  
That Satan may not harm us, Nor we to sin give place.

**4** Abide with richest blessings, Among us, bounteous Lord;  
Let us in grace and wisdom, Grow daily through Your Word.

**5** Abide with Your protection, Among us, Lord, our strength,  
Lest world and Satan fell us, And overcome at length.

**6** Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love;  
Grant steadfastness and help us, To reach our home above.

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***Please be seated, Pastor Cluver will dismiss the congregation by rows.***

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