

August 16, 2026— Twelfth Sunday after PENTECOST

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Welcome to you who are visitors among us; please sign our guest book, take a “Welcome” bag home, and do come worship with us again. *To those of you looking for a church home, we invite you to join this community of faith, as we seek to grow and serve in God’s grace and love.*

***: Please stand, in body or spirit.**

Large print bulletins are available at the back table.

“Busy Bags” for small children’s use during Worship on back hand rail.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

***Confession & Forgiveness**

L: Compassionate God,

C: **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.**

L: Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” In the name of God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God’s love.

C: **Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn:** “You are Holy” (sing twice) **#525 ELW**

***Apostolic Greeting (C: And also with you.)**

***Kyrie** **#157 ELW**

***Prayer of the Day** (Today’s Readings insert)

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Responsive Psalm Reading: Psalm 67

Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2, 29-32

***Gospel Acclamation:** “Celtic Alleluia” **#174 ELW**

***Gospel Reading:** Matthew 15:10-28

***Responses: “Glory to you, O LORD”/“Praise to you, O Christ.”**

Hymn of Day: “Evening & Morning ” **#761 ELW**

Sermon:

Hymn: “There’s a Wilderness in God’s Mercy” **#588 ELW**

***Apostles’ Creed** p. 127 ELW

Prayer Song: “Come, Bring Your Burden to God” Text by Barbara Clark
*Come, bring your burdens to God; come, bring your burdens to God;
Come, bring your burdens to God, for Jesus will never say no. (Sing 2x)*
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Prayers of Intercession: (L: Merciful God, C: Receive our prayer.)

MEAL

Our Tithes/Offerings to God

***Offertory Hymn:** “Give Thanks” Text Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One;

Give thanks because GOD’s given Jesus Christ to us. (Repeat)...

*And now let the weak say ‘I am strong’, Let the poor say ‘I am rich’
because of what the LORD has done for us (Repeat)...* Give thanks!

***Great Thanksgiving** p. 206-207 ELW

***Lord’s Prayer**

Holy Communion/Kneel or stand at Communion rail



All are welcome to join us in celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion, believing the Risen Christ is present with us in the bread and wine, assuring us of GOD’s love and forgiveness.

Please receive the bread in your hand and place your empty cup in the side basket. Gluten-free bread/juice are available. To be served in your pew, please raise your hand after pianist is served.

***Post-Communion Prayer**

SENDING

***Blessing (C: Amen!)**

***Sending Hymn:** “Jesus Shall Reign” **#434 ELW**

***P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

In Our Thoughts/Prayers: Fam/Friends of Jolene Brown (died on 8/11); Michelle Carlblom (8/12 spinal surgery, Fgo), Bernie Walters, Sharon Anundson, Tim Yokom (Jerry’s bro), Marleen Pytlik, Madonna Bacher-Slack, Bea Tait, Gayle Hoff, Chad Henningsgard, Karen Magnuson, Beth Busche (Kathy Hoef’s sis-in-law), Don Clark; our Missionaries; PEACE

“Trinity Family” to pray for this week: Boyd & Rebecca Westman (Kellen, Cambrie), Nicole Wieser (Shaunn, Chloe, Ashtynn, Bentley, Paizley)

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Our "Thanks!" to those who serve today:

Pastor: Rev. Diane Krumm

Accompanist: Amy Anderson

Greeters & Ushers: Vicki Zinck Metcalf, Sue Martin

Acolyte: Ben Johnson

This Week @ TLC:

Today, August 16th: **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

10 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion

11 a.m. Coffee Fellowship (*Thanks for hosting, Kim!*)

7 p.m. Info mtg @ Faith Lutheran for Castaway Club Retreat
(event for youth in gr. 6-10); email was sent to TLC families.

Mon., Aug. 17th: *Pr. Diane's Sabbath*

5-7 p.m. Community Closet @ Our Savior's Lutheran Church:
A source of FREE clothing of all genders & sizes, shoes, blankets,
& other household items. (*see insert*)

Tues., Aug. 18th: **10:30 a.m.** Bible study @ TLC

12 p.m. WELCA

Wed., Aug. 19th: **9 a.m.** Quilters

5-7 p.m. "Back to School Luau" @ Faith Lutheran. (*see insert*)

Thurs., Aug. 20th: **1 p.m.** Worship Committee meeting

Sat., Aug. 22nd: **10 a.m. – 3 p.m.** Red Willow Quilt Auction @ Red
Willow Bible Camp in Binford, ND. Quilt viewing @ 10 a.m.;
Luncheon @ 11 a.m.; Silent Auction, 10 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.;
Live Auction @ 12:30 p.m. *Thank you to TLC'ers who purchased a
raffle ticket on 6/14/26 @ Trinity! Winner will be notified.*

Next Sunday, Aug. 23rd: **Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

10 a.m. Worship

11 a.m. Coffee fellowship (*WELCA hosting*)

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Sunday, August 16, 2026

Trinity Lutheran Church

499 4th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND

Our Mission: "Love God. Love Others."

A member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

"Have mercy on me,
Lord, Son of David."

Matthew 15:22



In Isaiah we hear that God's house shall be a house of prayer for all people and that God will gather the outcasts of Israel. The Canaanite woman in today's gospel is a Gentile, an outsider, who is unflinching in her request that Jesus heal her daughter. As Jesus commends her bold faith, how might our church extend its mission to those on the margins of society? In our gathering around word and meal we receive strength to be signs of comfort, healing, and justice for those in need.

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Sunday School or helping
with it, please contact
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