

September 6, 2026—Fifteenth 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 that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy & bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world & reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

L: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ✝ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace. C: Amen.

***Gathering Hymn:** "How Great Thou Art" #856 ELW

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

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

WORD

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-11

Responsive Psalm Reading: Psalm 119:33-40

Second Reading: Romans 13:8-14

***Gospel Acclamation:** "Halle, Halle, Halle" #172 ELW

***Gospel Reading:** Matthew 18:15-20

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

Hymn: "Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil" #512 ELW

Sermon:

Hymn of the Day: "God of Grace and God of Glory" #705 ELW

***Apostles' Creed** p. 127 ELW

Prayer Song: "Hear Our Prayer"

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord make us whole:

Peace to all people, hope for each soul.

God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

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Prayers of Intercession: (L: Hear us, O God, C: Your mercy is great.)

MEAL

Our Tithes/Offerings to God

***Offertory Hymn:** "Create in Me" #188 ELW

***Offertory Prayer**

***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:** "Go, My Children, With My Blessing" #543 ELW

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

Postlude

In Our Thoughts/Prayers: Michelle Carlblom, Bernadette Botner, Bernie Walters, 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; EaND Synod Bishop Tessa Moon-Leiseth/ELCA Bishop Rev. Yehiel Curry; PEACE

"Trinity Family" to pray for this week: Chad & Tracey Zaun (Drew, Teagan, Georgia), Peyton & Madi Zaun (Gryffin)

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Our "Thanks!" to those who serve today:

Pastor: Rev. Diane Krumm

Accompanist: Diane Kracht

Greeter: Linda Westby

Ushers: Rob & Dee Nelson

Scripture Reader & Holy Communion Assistant: Kathy Hoefs

Acolyte: Cambrie Westman

This Week @ TLC:

Today, September 6th: **Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

10 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion

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

Mon., Sept. 7th/Labor Day: *Pr. Diane's Sabbath*

Tues., Sept. 8th: **10 a.m.** Bible study @ Bridgeview Est.

6:30 p.m. Church Council

Wed., Sept. 9th: **9 a.m.** Quilters

3:15-5 p.m. Kids Club @ Faith (gr. 4-6 youth)

6:30 p.m. Parent & Confirmation Youth (gr. 7-9) Info meeting @
Faith Lutheran Church

Next Sunday, Sept. 13th: **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Registration deadline for SWO Convention (*see insert*)

10 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Mission Breakfast for Casa de Fe @ TLC:
free-will offering fundraiser with proceeds benefitting an
orphanage in Shell, Ecuador. All are welcome!

School Kit items for Lutheran World Relief

We are wrapping up our collection for school kit items for LWR (Lutheran World Relief). Thank you to everyone who has donated so far. We currently have enough crayons, rulers, erasers, scissors, pencils & drawstring backpacks to make 85 kits for this year. We need the items below to finish off the kits. Please drop off your donation by September 30th to be included in this year's shipment.



- Pens (blue or black ballpoint; no gel pens)
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Notebooks (70 sheets wide or college rule)

*Please do not donate items with these symbols: religious,
military (flag/camouflage) or group names.*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Sunday, September 6, 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



Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community.

Jesus' words in today's gospel are often used in situations having to do with church discipline. The prophet Ezekiel tells of warning the wicked to turn from their ways, and Paul reminds us that love is the fulfilling of the law. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

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