





The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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WELCOME to God's House. We are happy to share this sacred place with you. For everyone's benefit: Enter silently. Before the Service, speak to God. During the Service, let God speak to you.

After the Service, speak to one another. May God's Holy Spirit, through His Word, bless and inspire you, assuring you of His grace, forgiveness, and heavenly support.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING GOD'S HOUSE

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, Who of Your infinite mercy has made us Your children by faith in Your dear Son, and through Him has begotten us again unto a lively hope, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that never fades away, reserved in heaven for us, we beseech You, put into our hearts the Spirit of Your Son, that He may even now enable us to cry, Abba, Father, and make us blameless on the Day of our Lord Jesus Christ; through the same Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

ALMIGHTY AND GRACIOUS GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has commanded us to pray that You would send forth laborers into Your harvest, of Your infinite mercy give us true teachers and ministers of Your Word, and put Your saving Gospel in their hearts and on their lips, that they may truly fulfill Thy command and preach nothing contrary to Your holy Word, that we, being warned, instructed, nurtured, comforted, and strengthened by Your heavenly Word, may do those things which are well pleasing to You and profitable to us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

† DIVINE SERVICE †

One of the deacons will conduct the service from the lectern. Processions are omitted.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN (*we stand*)

INVOCATION, p. 184

Divine Service, Setting 3, LSB p. 184

"O Day of Rest and Gladness" – #906

(we kneel)

CONFESSION OF SINS, pp. 184-5, right column

(we stand)

INTROIT – *Psalm 48:9-10, 1a, 3, 11, 14*



We + have thought on Your steadfast | love, O God,
In the midst of Your | temple.

As Your Name, O God, so Your praise reaches to the ends | of the earth.
Your right hand is filled with | righteousness.

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised
In the city of our God, His holy | mountain.

Within her | citadels
God has made Himself known as a | Fortress.

Let Mount Zi - | on be glad!
Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of Your | judgments!

This is God, our God forever and | ever.
He will guide us for - | ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son
And to the Holy | Spirit;

As it was in the be - | ginning,
Is now and will be forever. | Amen.

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KYRIE, p. 186

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, p. 187 *The congregation will sing the words,*
“Glory be to God on high.”

The Salutation is omitted.

COLLECT OF THE DAY, p. 189

Let us pray. Grant to us, Lord, we beseech You, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may by You be enabled to live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with the same Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

(we sit)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT

(Lying Prophets)

Jeremiah 23:16-29

¹⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’” ¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? ¹⁹Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. ²⁰The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. ²¹“I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. ²²But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. ²³Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away? ²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

GRADUAL – Psalm 31:2b, 1a

Be a Rock of ref - | uge for me,

A strong Fortress | to save me!

In You, O LORD, do I take | refuge;

Let me never be | put to shame.

EPISTLE

(Heirs with Christ)

Romans 8:12-17

¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

(we stand)

TRIPLE ALLELUIA, p. 190

HOLY GOSPEL

(A Tree & Its Fruit)

St. Matthew 7:15-23

¹⁵“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered

from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷ So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸ A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹ Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ Thus you will recognize them by their fruits. ²¹ Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ ²³ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

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THE APOSTLES’ CREED, p. 192

(we sit)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace” – #693

SERMON – *Fruits of the Spirit*

(we stand)

OFFERTORY, #956

(we sit)

THE OFFERING

(we stand)

THE DOXOLOGY, #805

THE GENERAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN

“Renew Me, O Eternal Light” – #704

THE COLLECT FOR THE CHURCH

Let us pray. Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God, to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ’s holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and in the confession of Your Name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

BLESSING

The grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy + Ghost be with us all.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” – #655

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

† *Soli Deo Gloria* †

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS TODAY!

So that we may get to know you, please complete one of the “visitor” cards in the pew holder, and/or sign our guestbook in the narthex or vestibule. **Come again soon!**

SERVING THE LORD THIS MORNING

Organist: Preston Showman

Cantor: Larry Rubel

Deacon: Bob Auger

Sound Operator: Jim Ostrosky

Ushers: Steve Tracey, Ken Wunschel, Normal Auvil, Clair Beckwith

Greeters: Fred, June, & Peter Bodnar

Acolytes: Sam Wilshire (Capt.), Cody Beckwith, Carl Bucholtz III, Nicholas Bucholtz, Jacob Limbert, Zachary Pugliese

THE ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God by the Auvils in thanksgiving for Kinsley & Ryan’s wedding yesterday and by Linda Tomko in memory of her mother on her August 3rd birthday.

TODAY August 6 ❁ Trinity VIII ❁

8:30 am Sunday School & Bible Class

9:45 am Divine Service

LOOKING AHEAD TO THIS WEEK...

Aug 7-12		RLS WATER CAMP!
Aug 6-14		Pastor Westgate & family away
Mon, Aug 7	7pm	Adult Bible Study
Tues, Aug 8	7:30pm	Voter’s Assembly Meeting

NEXT SUNDAY August 13 ❁ Trinity IX ❁

8:30 am Sunday School & Bible Class (Pastor Reddel’s topic is “Faith & Addiction”)

9:45 am Divine Service with the Sacrament of Holy Communion – Pastor Gene Reddel presiding

12 pm Outreach Committee Meeting

PASTOR RETURNS FROM VACATION IN THE EVENING

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

July 30 ❁ Trinity VII ❁

SERVICE: 105 **COMMUNED:** 73

PASTOR'S VACATION

Pastor will return from vacation next Sunday evening. If there is a need for emergency pastoral care this week, please call Pastor Greenway of Grace Penn Hills at 412-793-1394.

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This week on KFUO.org, we hear guest pastors on Sharper Iron study the daily New Testament reading (9am), Rev. Jonathan Fisk bring you the Word of God in the morning (*Oratio @ 8am*), begin 1 John on Thy Strong Word (8/10 @ Noon), and learn from the LCMS Communications Team about the Lutherans Engage magazine that you'll want to subscribe to! (*Faith & Family 8/8 @ 11:30am*). Listen on-demand at kfu.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

Monday, August 7 — **Oratio @ 8am:** Rev. Jonathan Fisk starts your morning in God's Word with meditations on Psalm 144, wisdom from Solomon, and Lutheran Confessions.

Tuesday, August 8 — **Faith & Family @ 11am:** Guests Pam Nielsen, Erik Lunsford, and Megan Mertz talk about the inspiring Lutherans Engage magazine.

Wednesday, August 9 — **Sharper Iron @ 9am:** Guest pastor Rev. Sean Daenzer studies 1 Corinthians 2:1-23 with Rev. Jonathan Fisk.

Thursday, August 10 — **Thy Strong Word @ Noon:** Guest Rev. Dan Torkelson from St. John Lutheran Church in Prairie, IL, joins guest host Rev. Steven Theiss to study 1 John 1: The Word of Life.

Friday, August 11 — **Let's Talk! The Pastor Is In @ 3pm:** Rev. Philip Zielinski joins us to answer all of your questions!

PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY... You're invited to attend the Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference November 10 and 11 at Memorial Lutheran Church in Houston, TX. Topics include: Religious Liberty, Jesus for You, Christian Marriage, Christians Engaging the News Media, The Sexual Revolution and A Strategy for Christians in a Post-Christian Nation. Speakers include: Mollie and Mark Hemingway, Rev. Bryan Wolfmuller, Dr. Scott Murray, Dr. Jennifer Roback Morse and Rod Dreher. Attendance is limited to 400. For more information, visit www.issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.

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