# THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST





# **Weekly Trinity Prayer Sheet**

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## **Submitting Prayer Requests**

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## The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 13/14, 2025

Saturday Worship 6:00 p.m. • Sunday Worship 8:00 and 10:45 a.m.

#### WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR RISEN LORD

Welcome to Trinity! Today in the Divine Service God proclaims to us through Word and Sacrament the forgiveness, love, and salvation that He has won for us through the death and resurrection of His Son Jesus Christ. If you are new to Trinity or looking for a church home, we invite you to join our family. Please introduce yourself to our Pastors following the service. After the 8:00 a.m. worship service, please join us for



coffee, fellowship, and Christian Education. At various points in the service you will be invited to refer to our hymnal, the *Lutheran Service Book* or LSB (image to the right), located on the back of the seat in front of you.

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#### ARLEN MEYER BANNER DESCRIPTION

The Pentecost season is long and provides ample time for us to see how God is at work in us to accomplish fruitful lives – lives of loving and giving and sharing and burden bearing and forgiving. The banner depicts such rich fruits of faith-filled growth. Many colors of fruit in many sizes reflect the way that God brings each of us – not entirely like anyone else – to a spiritual maturation that gives glory to God.

#### THOSE SERVING IN WORD & SACRAMENT MINISTRY

Preacher: Pastor Mark J. Nelson Liturgist: Pastor Matthew B. Synnott

**Organist:** Cantor Peter Wykert

Saturday 6:00 Service - Comm. Asst.: Lee Slee, Dick LeCrone; Altar Guild: Mark Morrow; Sound:

Chris Pasold

**Sunday 8:00 Service** – Comm. Asst.: John Volovitz, Bill Wagner, David Askew; Altar Guild: Peggy Livengood; Acolytes: Michael Brown, Benjamin Coulter; Sound: Mark Baker; Ushers: Randy Neff,

Mark Morrow

**Sunday 10:45 Service –** Comm. Asst.: Jon Reick; Altar Guild: Debra Cribbs; Acolytes: Oliver

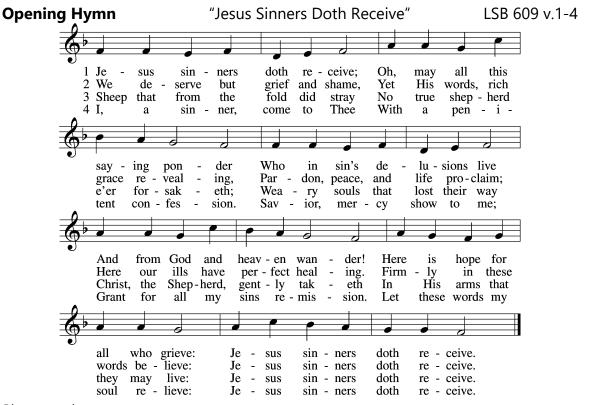
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## **Divine Service - Setting One**

#### + We Come Into God's Presence +

#### **Prelude**

## Ringing of the Bell



Please stand

**Invocation:** The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

**Exhortation** 1 John 1:8–9

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

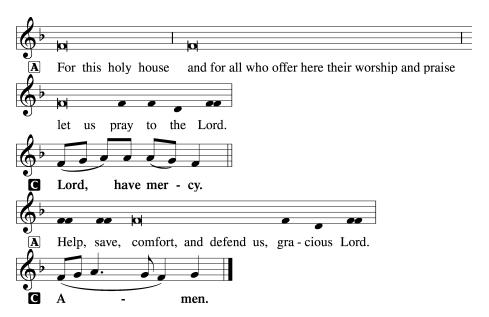
#### **Confession of Sins**

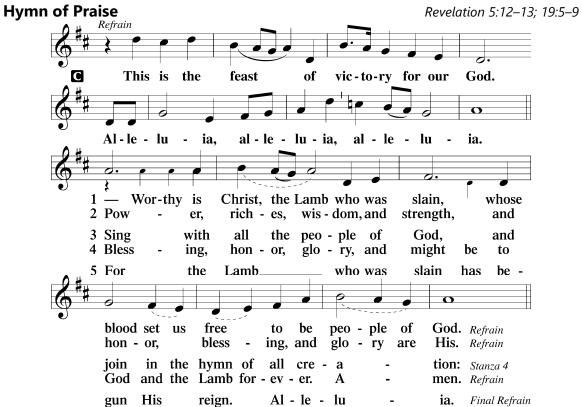
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**Absolution** John 20:19–23

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise 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.









#### **Salutation**

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

## **Collect of the Day**

- **P** Let us pray.
- Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

## + God Speaks to Us +

## **Old Testament Reading**

Ezekiel 34:11-24

<sup>11</sup>"For thus says the Lord GoD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

<sup>17</sup>"As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GoD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. <sup>18</sup>Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? <sup>19</sup>And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

<sup>20</sup>"Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak

with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup>I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup>And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

8:00: CLS K-5 Choir "I Will Call Upon the Lord/This is My Commandment"

Epistle Reading 1 Timothy 1:5-17

<sup>5</sup>The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. <sup>6</sup>Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, <sup>7</sup>desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

<sup>8</sup>Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, <sup>9</sup>understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, <sup>10</sup>the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, <sup>11</sup>in accordance with the glorious gospel of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

<sup>12</sup>I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, <sup>13</sup>though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup>and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup>But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup>To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Luther's Small Catechism: Confession – Question 1**

- **A** What is Confession?
- Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

Please stand

#### Alleluia and Verse



- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-10

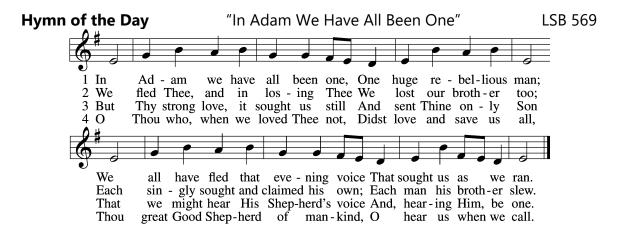
<sup>1</sup>Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? <sup>5</sup>And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. <sup>6</sup>And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' <sup>7</sup>Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>8</sup>"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? <sup>9</sup>And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup>Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated



5 Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth; Thou Son, O set us free From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways, To make us one in Thee. △6 Then shall our song united rise
 To Thine eternal throne,
 Where with the Father evermore
 And Spirit Thou art one.

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#### Sermon

Please stand



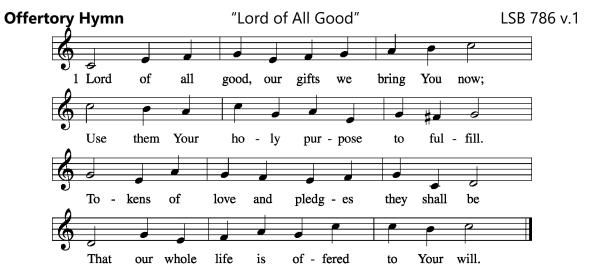
## + We Respond to God's Word +

#### **Nicene Creed**

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 worshiped 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  $\pm$  of the world to come. Amen.



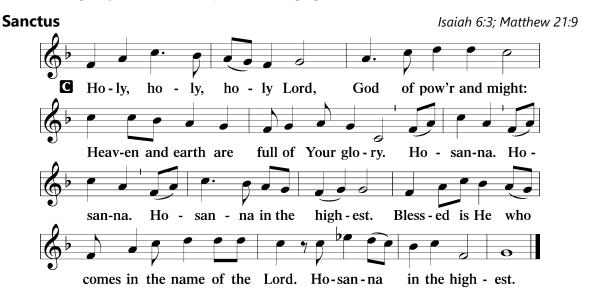
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**Prayers of the Church** P ... let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

## + God Serves Us His Holy Feast +

#### **Preface**

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who gives us life through His body and blood. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we glorify Your name and praise You singing:



**Lord's Prayer** (see inside back cover of hymnal for text)

Matthew 6:9-13

#### The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24 Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pax Domini John 20:19

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Please be seated

#### Distribution

#### **Communion Statement**

As a Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod (LCMS) church, we believe and confess that through the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper we receive the true body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine. As we commune with faith and repentance, we receive the forgiveness of sins and power to amend our sinful lives. If you would like to commune with us but are not a member of a church in fellowship with the LCMS, we ask that you schedule a visit with our pastor before communing. Our communion practice is not intended to exclude anyone, but rather to make certain that we, in love, faithfully administer the sacrament according to Christ's institution.

If you are not communing, but wish to come forward to receive a blessing, please fold both arms across your heart. Children are also encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

## **Sunday: Music During the Distribution**

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| "As Rebels, Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered"  | LSB 612 |
| "God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons" | LSB 682 |
| "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"            | LSB 686 |

### **Saturday: Post-Communion Blessing**

Please stand

#### **Post-Communion Canticle**



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



## Post-Communion Prayer

- Gracious Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; in His name,
- C Amen.

### + God Sends Us Out +

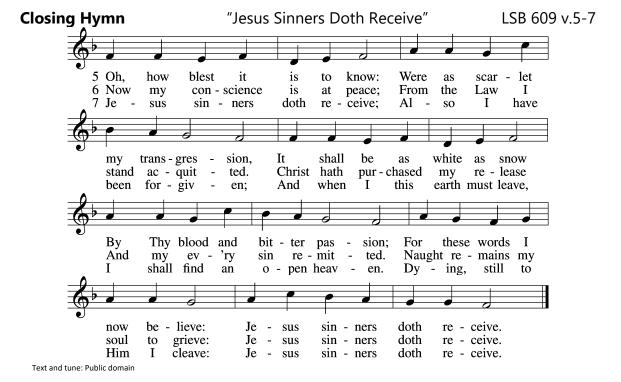
Benedicamus Psalm 103:1

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**Numbers 6:24–26

- 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 ⅓ give you peace.
- C Amen.

Please be seated



## **Silent Prayer**

#### **Dismissal**

- P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- Thanks be to God!

#### **Announcements and Welcome**

#### **Postlude**

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Phyllis Chamberlain and George Haug in celebration of September birthdays, especially her twin brother, Phillip, sister-in-law Janie, and son, Matthew.

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#### **CONNECT WITH US**

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