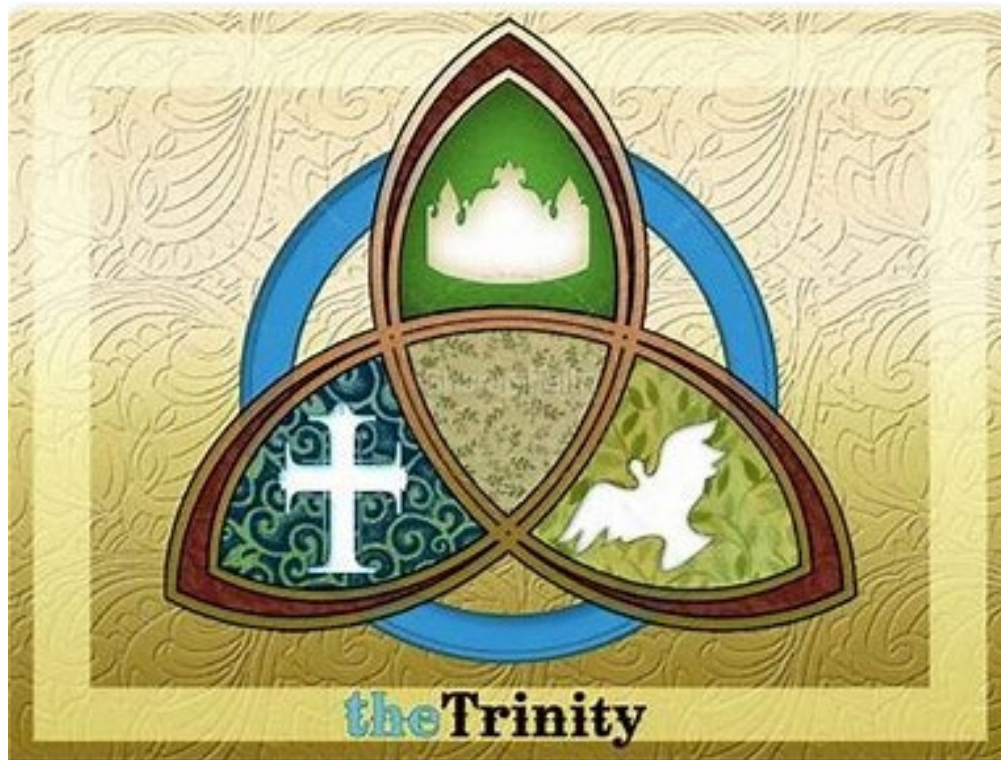


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Our Mission Statement:

**“Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;
make known among the nations what he has done.”**



If you have a child who is in confirmation you already know there has been one big change to the confirmation curriculum. The students are no longer doing journal assignments and instead will be doing devotions. These devotions will follow a reading plan where the catechumens will read the whole New Testament in two years. There will be a few Psalms thrown in there as well.

The reason behind assigning devotions to the catechumens is to help them develop a devotional life. But what do we mean by devotional life? A devotional life is a life that is shaped by the daily reading of Sacred Scriptures. These readings do not have to be long, in the case of the catechumens it will be a chapter a day. The purpose is to hear God speak to you through His Word, reflect on it, pray, and finally conduct your life according to what you have read.

Devotions as we have written about before do not have to be long. They can take as short as five minutes or as long as you would like. You can read a couple of verses (you should read enough to get the proper context of the verses you are reading) or you can take on reading the whole Bible in one year (this is dictating about 25-30 mins a day). Again, the purpose is you are in the Word of God and letting it make your life cruciform and fill your everyday language with the language of God's Word.

The parts of a devotion are simple, all you need is a section to read from the

scriptures and prayer. You can also include parts of the liturgy (there are rites for daily prayer in the LSB), hymns, and devotions written about specific portions of scripture. It is good to have a place set aside where you normally do your devotion. Having this place makes sure you have everything you need for your devotion; you have already made sure it was free from distractions, and it helps you clear other concerns before you start your devotion.

If you do have concerns that are cluttering the space in your head while trying to do devotions, write them down. Your mind and heart are telling you the things you need to take to your Father in Heaven in prayer. Do not be worried about the size of what is cluttering your head up, simply write it down and pray for it. This is how we take everything to God in prayer. It is also how we cast all our anxieties on God.

When to do devotions? It does not matter as long as you are doing them. It would be good to set aside time at the same time each day, as a way to make sure you have scheduled your devotions, so you do not have a reason to miss them. Morning is good because they set your day in the right direction. Evening is good because it gives you a chance to reflect on your day and confess any sins you might have and go to sleep in God's forgiveness and grace. Lunch can be a great time because it is a refresher part way through your day and can help you to pray for things that have popped up.

Finally, with who to do devotions? By yourself is always ok. It is a great blessing to do these as a family, husband and wife, parents, and children. As you can discuss the readings, grow in your faith together, and pray for each other.

Your Servant in Christ,
Pastor

**SEPTEMBER 10TH IS,
RALLY SUNDAY!!!
Sunday School begins!**

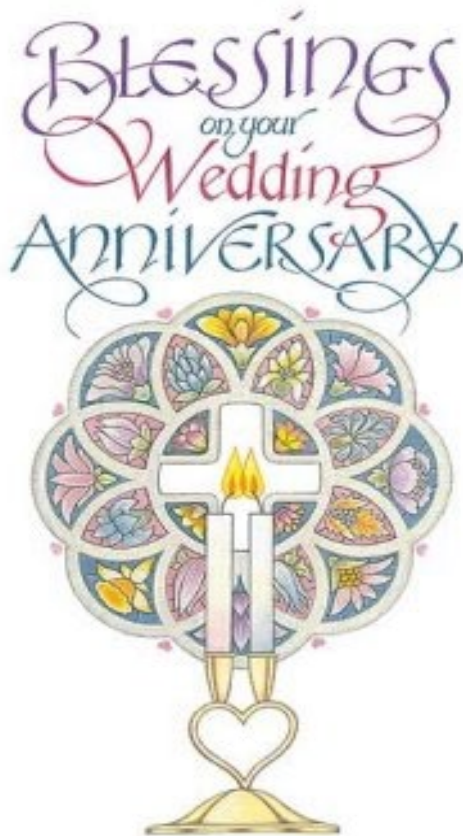


**Youth Group will start meeting on September 6,
2023 at 7:00 pm.**



SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Justin & Jenna	Baumberger	September 4, 2010
Peg & Bill	George	September 5, 2009
Jonathan & Danielle	Gehrels	September 7, 2019
Matt & Kayla	Tweet	September 7, 2013
Connie & Jeff	Brown	September 11, 1998
Dale & Kathy	Dorow	September 12, 1964
Ted & Carolyn	Lindholm	September 17, 1971
Jerry & Julie	Gehrels	September 19, 1981



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Lori	Lindholm	September 1, 1979
Jake	Hemmer	September 3, 1996
Jayden	Delfs	September 4, 2011
Jeremy	Lindholm	September 5, 1979
Peggy	George	September 6, 1968
Russ	Claussen	September 8, 1966
Brittyn	Bjorklund	September 10, 2015
Diana	Maas	September 10, 1957
Ryan	Lindholm	September 13, 1983
Jill	Feige	September 14, 1985
Brendyn	McManus	September 16, 2012
Connie	Hess	September 18, 1948
Cindy	VanPelt	September 19, 1958
Deb	Reck	September 20, 1953
Nicole	Backus	September 23, 1993
Rory	Milbrandt	September 26, 2021
Landen	McManus	September 27, 2010
Arlyn	Tammen	September 28, 1939

SEPTEMBER BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Kaleb	Lindholm	September 1, 2013
David	Beeck	September 2, 1956
Brock	Eppe	September 3, 2006
Abigail	Eppe	September 5, 2010
Austin	Tammen	September 6, 1998
Kenneth	Lindholm	September 7, 2003
Tom	Baumberger	September 8, 1951
CeCe	Gibney	September 9, 2007
Dannie	Johnson	September 10, 1944
Olivia	Lindholm	September 10, 2006
Lizabeth	Tammen	September 17, 2000
Daniel	Voy	September 17, 2000
Jeffrey	Arneson	September 19, 1971
Jackson	Mendel	September 20, 1992
Peggy	George	September 22, 1968
Jake	Hemmer	September 22, 1996
Danielle	Eppe	September 26, 1976
Lane	Gehrels	September 26, 2021
Jill	Feige	September 29, 1985



**TO READ THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR:
SUGGESTED BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**

DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING
Sept 1	1 Chron. 29:10-13	Job 31-33
Sept 2	Psalm 86	Job 34-36
Sept 3	Psalm 87	Job 37-39
Sept 4	Psalm 88	Job 40-42
Sept 5	Psalm 89	Proverbs 1-3
Sept 6	Psalm 90	Proverbs 4-7
Sept 7	Psalm 91	Proverbs 8-10
Sept 8	Psalm 92	Proverbs 11-13
Sept 9	Psalm 93	Proverbs 14-16
Sept 10	Psalm 94	Proverbs 17-19
Sept 11	Psalm 95	Proverbs 20-22
Sept 12	Psalm 96	Proverbs 23-25
Sept 13	Psalm 97	Proverbs 26-28
Sept 14	Psalm 98	Proverbs 29-31
Sept 15	Psalm 99	Ecclesiastes 1-3
Sept 16	Psalm 100	Ecclesiastes 4-6
Sept 17	Psalm 101	Ecclesiastes 7-9
Sept 18	Psalm 102	Ecclesiastes 10-12
Sept 19	Psalm 103	S. of Solomon 1-4
Sept 20	Psalm 104	S. of Solomon 5-8
Sept 21	Psalm 105	Jeremiah 1-3
Sept 22	Psalm 106	Jeremiah 4-6
Sept 23	Psalm 107	Jeremiah 7-9
Sept 24	Psalm 108	Jeremiah 10-12
Sept 25	Psalm 109	Jeremiah 13-15
Sept 26	Psalm 110	Jeremiah 16-18
Sept 27	Psalm 111	Jeremiah 19-22
Sept 28	Psalm 112	Jeremiah 23-25
Sept 29	Psalm 113	Jeremiah 26-28
Sept 30	1 Chron	Jeremiah 29-31

GET CONNECTED

WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE.



Volunteer at lcms-lert.org and find out how you can become part of the Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) network of volunteers, trained to respond in times of disaster.



SEPTEMBER 2023

Altar Guild: Ashley Milbrandt ~ Marlys Arneson ~ Trish Tammen

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 Sunday, September 3 -9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Makenzie Cacho Greeters: Jason & Meredith Fischer Family Organist: Peg George Adult Bible Study following service.	4	5	Pastor out of town for DDRC Conference			
			6 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation and Bible History Class 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	7	8	9
10 Sunday September 10 -9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Olerick Welton Greeters: Kasey & Lacey Gehrels Family; Kadyr Gehrels Organist: Peg George Adult Bible Study following service.	11 7:00 pm ~ Altar Guild	12	13 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation and Bible History Class 7:00 pm ~ Elders Meeting 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	14	15	16
17 Sunday September 17 -9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Rilynn Zillgitt Greeters: Peg & Bill George Organist: Peg George Adult Bible Study following service.	18	19	Pastor out of town for DDRC Training			
	NEWS LETTER DEAD-LINE		20 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation and Bible History Class 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	21	22	23
24 Sunday September 24 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Abigail Eppe Greeters: Leon & Melissa Gerry Family Organist: Kayla Augustine Adult Bible Study following service	25	26	27 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation and Bible History Class 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	28	29	30