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Everyone Is Invited to Stay for Coffee Hour in the Gathering Room



WELCOME TO TRINITY! We are so happy you are here this morning to worship the Lord. We pray this worship hour is a blessing for you and invite you to please come again soon. If you are a visitor, please sign the Guest Register in the entry.

Introit

Psalm 39:4–5, 7–8; antiphon: Isaiah 35:10

P The ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing;
C **everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.**
P They shall obtain gladness and joy,
C **and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.**
P O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;
C **let me know how fleeting I am!**
P Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing before you.
C **Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!**
P And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?
C **My hope is in you.**
P Deliver me from all my transgressions.
C **Do not make me the scorn of the fool!**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Say to my soul, "I am your salvation!"
C **When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears.**
P [The LORD] saved him out of all his troubles;
C **this is God, our God forever and ever.**

Collect of the Day

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ♫ Amen.

OT Reading: Zeph. 1:14–18

14 The great day of the Lord is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter;
the mighty man cries aloud there.
15 A day of wrath is that day,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.
17 I will bring distress on mankind,
so that they shall walk like the blind,
because they have sinned against the Lord;
their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold
shall be able to deliver them
on the day of the wrath of the Lord.

In the fire of his jealousy,
all the earth shall be consumed;
for a full and sudden end
he will make of all the inhabitants
of the earth.

Gradual *Psalm 45:14–15*

P In many-colored robes [the king's daughter] is led to the king,

C **with her virgin companions following behind her.**

P With joy and gladness they are led along

C **as they enter the palace of the king.**

Epistle: 1 Thess. 5:1–11

[1]Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. [2]For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3]While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. [4]But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. [5]For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. [6]So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. [7]For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. [8]But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9]For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10]who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. [11]Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1–13

[1][Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2]Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3]For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4]but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5]As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. [6]But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7]Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. [8]And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9]But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' [10]And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. [11]Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12]But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' [13]Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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Birthdays

Sunday	Whitney Shoemaker	Burl Peckman
	Jason Peterson	Martin Carter
Monday	Lisa Shannon	Charlotte Yarborough
Tuesday	Lindsey Lester	Christie Stephens
Wednesday	Courtney Belsanti	Dana Hall
Thursday	Liliana Peckman	

Anniversaries

11/22/2005	Brad and Susan Ashley	21 years

We remember in our prayers:

Immediate and Long-Term Concerns:

- Susan Mueller

Recovering:

- Bill Mueller (Barbie's brother)
- Dennis Karina
- Lloyd Ohlmeier
- Duane Rodewald
- Debra Karina
- Linda Ferrell

TREASURER'S REPORT Nov 8, 2026

Checking Account Balance	Oct 31, 2026	$	46,446.68
Income:	Deposit	$	5,675.00
Expenses	Checking	$	(5,510.50)
Balance	Nov 7, 2026	$	46,611.18

Attendance

Worship Attendance	Nov 15	79

THANKSGIVING WEEK - Please send any announcements for the bulletin and newsletter to the church email by Tuesday. There will be no choir on Wednesday.

THANKSGIVING DAY - Our Thanksgiving service will be at 10:00. Come on out to give God thanks for all of his bountiful blessings to us.

ANGEL TREE - Our Angel Tree is Up! Our congregation is once again partnering with the Miami County Cops for Tots / Angel Tree program to bring Christmas blessings to local children and families in need. Stop by the Christmas tree in the back today to select an Angel tag! Each tag includes a child's age, clothing sizes, Christmas wish list, and contact information just in case you have any questions. Don't forget to sign out your Angel by adding your name to the list under the tree. As always, thank you for your support!

NURSING HOME SERVICES - You are invited to help Trinity provide brief worship services for nursing home residents at North Point and Medicalodge on November 29th. The simple services are approximately 20 minutes in length at each home. We begin at 1:30pm at North Point, then Medicalodge around 2:15pm for the second service. The residents really enjoy these services, especially singing their favorite hymns. It's great to have church members there to greet the residents and sing along. We have a faithful few members who help but we could use your help too!

DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS - The Youth and Sunday School will be decorating for Christmas after the service next Sunday. Families are welcome to stay and help, and lunch will be provided!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM PRACTICE begins next week! Parents of children and youth, please be sure to bring them to these Sundays; it will be important for them to practice their parts and songs!



POINSETTIA DONATIONS - Donating poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary is a great way to remember loved ones at Christmas! There is a signup sheet on the counter in the Gathering Room to order plants from Price Chopper at a cost of $10 each. Please place your payment in the offering marked "Poinsettias." When signing up please indicate how many plants you wish to donate and for whom they are in memory or honor. You are also welcome to bring your own poinsettias, which you purchase elsewhere or receive as gifts. Just drop them by the church sometime before Christmas Eve and leave them on the tables in the Gathering Room. Please still sign up on the sheet, indicating that you are providing your own plants, and for whom they are in memory or honor of.

EMERGENCY FOLDERS - Ladies Aid has put out some red zip type folders in the gathering area. These folders are emergency folders that are to be put on your refrigerator for emergency personnel. If they are called to your home they will look for this folder on your refrigerator. Inside the folder you would put your list of medications and other important notices for emergencies. Please pick one up if you do not already have one. If we run out of the folders, please contact one of us and we will get one made up for you.

YOUTH TRIP - Our Youth and families are planning a trip to the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter in Kentucky June 2-6, 2027. Congregation members are also invited to join them! In order to finalize housing plans, we need a firm commitment from any Youth families by November 1. Please let Kristina or Lori know if you are planning to attend. We are asking each Youth family attending to pay a $100 commitment fee to help

offset the cost of the trip. There will be a sign-up list in the back of church for any other congregation members planning to join us. We ask that congregation members sign up by December 1. See Lori Schlegel for any questions you have.

MISSIONS FUND--Where does the money from the mission fund go to? Some of it is a set amount ($7500) that we give to our Synod and District. They provide oversight and assist with the call process, publications, missionaries, pastoral and lay education, and so much more. We also support a missionary at $500 a year (or more). We have received $5800 so far this year for our total commitment of $8000.
Your donation to this fund is greatly appreciated, as it supports a lot of things that are "behind the scenes."

BEST CHOICE LABELS - We are collecting labels for Ladies Aid. If you have any, please put them in the box on the coat rack by the office.

GOOGLE REVIEWS - As part of the website update, Pastor Chris Jackson is helping us be more visible online. One of the most common ways that people search for us is using Google. You can help by rating our church (ideally 5 stars!) and leaving a review or pictures. That will greatly help our church's online presence. Thank you very much!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY - We will be covering Wisdom Literature: Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs! Join us at 9 a.m. on Sundays in the Heritage Room!



SIGN UP FOR COFFEE HOUR - Everyone is invited to stay for Coffee Hour in the Gathering Room following worship today. Thanks to Ladies Aid for providing snacks this morning. The signup sheet to provide snacks for Coffee Hour is on the counter in the Gathering Room. Consider signing up to honor birthdays, wedding anniversaries, etc.