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Feb 8, 2026 — Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

The Righteousness of Christ

Jesus warns that *“unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven”* (Matt. 5:20), but He also calls His imperfect people *“the salt of the earth”* and *“the light of the world”* (Matt. 5:13, 14). That's because the Lord Jesus came not to abolish the Law or the prophets, *“but to fulfill them”* (Matt. 5:17) in perfect faith and love. Since He does and teaches all of God's commandments, He is *“called great in the kingdom of heaven”* (Matt. 5:19). God manifests His *“demonstration of the Spirit and of power”* in *“Jesus Christ and him crucified”* (1 Cor. 2:2–4), and through the preaching of the Gospel He gives His *“secret and hidden wisdom”* (1 Cor. 2:7). Christ gives this perfect righteousness to His people, and it leads them to true fasting, which is *“to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free”* (Is. 58:6) and *“to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house”* (Is. 58:7).

DIVINE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service Setting Four, *LSB* 203

CREED: Apostle's

HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 814 “O Bless the Lord, My Soul”

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 606 “I Lay My Sins on Jesus”

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1–2 “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Distribution/Third Hymn:

LSB 609 “Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”

Closing Hymn:

LSB 670 “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

SERMON TEXT AND THEME

Genesis 3:8-15 (see insert for text)

“Not My Fault”

IN OUR PRAYERS **

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

TRINITY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Pam Hallman, Deb Pope, Barb Gilbertz, Marlene Henthorn, Florence Meier, and Linda Smith. Neil Peters, Reiko Pope, Earl Tripp, Richard Kieffer, Mike (Barb) Gilbertz, and Michelle Everson.

ST. PAUL'S MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Chris Heismeyer, Kendra Will, and Bernice Kollman. Lynn Anderson, Tina Gerlach, Lenora Hoffman, Rocky Hauge, and David.

Mary Milbrandt, Darryn, Jane, Nadine Larson, Keith Wallin, Alissa Wieman, Zoe Jones, and Greyson.

TRINITY BIRTHDAY: John Geyer 02/13

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Bernice Kolman 02/09; Lane Wesseling 02/10

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARY: Brent & Andrea Morenz 02/14

** Please contact Nancy at trinitywlsd@gmail.com or 605-249-2570 for any updates to this bulletin prayer list. Thank you.

TRINITY LUTHERANS FOR LIFE MEAL AND A MOVIE

Adults from Trinity and St. Paul's are invited to a **soup/sandwich meal, beginning at 5 p.m., Wednesday February 11, 2026**. Following the meal, the **movie *Unplanned*** will be shown. This is the most important movie you'll ever see on the most controversial issue of our time. No matter which side of the fence you're on, no one will leave this film unmoved by Abby's journey, which led her to become one of the most outspoken for-life speakers of our time. This free event is being hosted by Trinity LFL. Please join us!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Paul's newly-elected officers and those continuing their elected terms will be installed during today's Divine Service, following The Lord's Prayer.

President: Rodney Weber

Vice President: Howard Weischedel

Secretary: Kathy Guindon

Treasurer: Mike Tuschen

Finance: Josh Kemp, Kieth Albrecht, Mike Tuschen

Trustees: Lennis Titze, Howard Weischedel, Dan Gerlach

Elders: Curt Guindon, Mike Tuschen

Sunday School: Ferra Kemp

Head Usher: Howard Weischedel

The **2025 Annual Reports** for each congregation are available.

The February 18, 2026, **Ash Wednesday** services, with communion, will be held at 5 p.m. at Trinity and 7 p.m. at St. Paul's.

Trinity LWML Ruth Circle will provide a meal following Trinity's Ash Wednesday service. Everyone is welcome!

2026-02-08 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR AND INFORMATION

Sun. Feb. 8	8:30 a.m.	Divine Service at Trinity
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School at St. Paul's
	9:45 a.m.	LWML Trinity Ruth Circle
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service at St. Paul's
Mon. Feb. 9	7 p.m.	Catechism Class at St. Paul's
Tues. Feb. 10	2 p.m.	LWML St. Paul's Dorcas Circle
Wed. Feb. 11	2:15 p.m.	Release-Time Class at Trinity
	5 p.m.	Trinity LFL Soup and Movie Night

FEBRUARY 2026

Elders: TR: David Bogenhagen SP: Curt Guindon
Ushers: TR: Dan G, Dean S SP: Jett K, Larry G
Acolytes: TR: Brant Bogenhagen SP: Tayven Weber
Altar: TR: Janice Thiry SP: Sandy Tuschen
Greeters: SP: 02/01 Sharon B; 02/08 Dan G.

February 1 Attendance and Offering: SP: 32, \$1390; TR: 22, \$1527

THE LORD'S SUPPER is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.

Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until he comes. We do this because as members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod we take very seriously the advice of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11:28–29, *A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.*

Self-Examination. 1. Do I believe that I am a sinner? 2. Do I believe and trust in Jesus Christ as my personal Lord and Savior, from sin, death, and the power of the devil? 3. Do I believe that I receive forgiveness for all of my sins through Christ's true body and blood, present in the Sacrament? (Real presence of Christ's body.) 4. Do I promise to amend (or change) my sinful life with the help of the Holy Spirit?

If you have so examined yourself and are in full agreement with us, and have been instructed, you are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. If you desire to learn more about these beliefs or are interested in learning how to become a member, please talk to Pastor McKillop or one of the elders. Thank you.