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September 5, 2021

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Christ Jesus Delivers Us from Sin, Death and the Devil

WELCOME!! Welcome to all who worship here this morning. We pray this service is a blessing to you. Visitors, please sign our guest book located in the entrance area of our church. If we can be of help to you, please let us know.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O Lord, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your church; and because she cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

8:30 a.m. SP, Divine Service, Setting One *LSB* 151
10:30 a.m. TR, Divine Service, Setting One *LSB* 151

PRAYER RESPONSE

- Let us pray to the Lord,
- Lord, have mercy.**

HYMNS

- "Church of God, Elect and Glorious" *LSB* 646
- "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive" *LSB* 843
- TR only:* "We Give Thee But Thine Own" *LSB* 781 vv. 1-2
- "To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All" *LSB* 613
- "What Is This Bread?" *LSB* 629
- "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" *LSB* 649

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

"Conflict and Reconciliation for God's People"
Matthew 18:15 *"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother."*

IN OUR PRAYERS

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING OF OUR MEMBERS: SP: Justin Everson, Doug Gerlach, Jean Gerlach, Larry Gerlach, Erin Thomas, Elmer Sorensen, Jerry Boyd, David Merrill, and Chris Heismeyer (cancer). TR: Pam Hallman and Eleanor Gieseeman.

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS: SP: Lynn Anderson, brother-in-law of Marlene Johnson and cousin of Peggy Hoffman, who is struggling with cancer.

FOR THE LORD'S GUIDANCE AND BLESSINGS upon Pastor Lessman and his family as they enter a time of transition following his August 1, 2021 resignation.

FOR THE LORD'S GUIDANCE AND BLESSINGS upon St. Paul's and Trinity congregations as we begin a pastoral vacancy and the work to determine His direction for the future Gospel ministry of Word and Sacrament here.

THANKSGIVING FOR RAIN: Most gracious God and Father, we thank and praise You for sending rain to water the earth. Teach us ever to remember that we do not live on bread alone, in order that we may receive Your blessings with thanksgiving and Your Word with grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Rachel Thompson 6th, Karen Pfitzer 9th, Malcom Janis 9th

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Will Tobin 6th, Mike Johnson 6th, Halley Haak 8th

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- St. Paul's is looking for a volunteer to clean their church for September and/or October. Please contact Marlene Johnson (999-2260) or Deb Haak (770-3101).
- If you can help with parsonage cleaning, please contact Judy Jira (999-3455). If anyone has furniture that can be used in the parsonage during our vacancy, please contact Brent Morenz (770-2804).
- Rev. Mark Mischnick is serving the needs of our parish for emergency calls through September 12, 2021. You may contact him via email or cellphone: themischnicks@midco.net • 605-730-0340 (mobile).
- Ruth Circle will host the LWML Trinity Annual Joint Meeting Tuesday, September 7, 2021. This event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a light supper, followed by the LWML 2021 Prayer Service, "He Prayed *with* Them". It will conclude with a discussion of joint LWML Trinity business.

2021-09-05 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
CALENDAR — SEPTEMBER 5–12, 2021

Today Sept. 5 8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service
Tues. Sept. 7 6:30 p.m. Trinity LWML Annual Joint Meeting
Sun. Sept. 12 8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service

Rev. Mark Mischnick, Mitchell, is preaching today, September 5. Vacancy pastor Rev. Charles Adams will begin next Sunday, September 12.

CATECHISM REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

The Creed | The First Article, Creation



I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean? (part 1)

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2021

ST. PAUL'S

Elder:
Ushers: Curt Guindon, Merlyn
Haak, Marv Jira

Acolyte:
Altar: Cathy Albrecht

TRINITY

Elder: Dan Guericke
Ushers: Brian Hall

Acolytes: Madison Meier
Taelyn Clark

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Aug 29)

	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	22	31
Offering	\$3218	\$371.50

(Aug. 8-15-22-29)

LECTIONARY SUMMARY

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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4–10; James 3:1–12; Mark 9:14–29

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Those who teach the Word of God “will be judged with greater strictness” (James 3:1) because it is by the Word that saving faith is obtained, whereas false doctrine always threatens to destroy Christian faith and life. The tongue “boasts of great things,” whether for good or evil (James 3:5). In fallen man, “it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison” (James 3:8). But anyone who bridles his tongue with the Word of God, who “does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man” (James 3:2). It is Christ who opens His ear to the voice of His Father, so that, with “the tongue of those who are taught,” He is able to sustain the weary “with a word” (Is. 50:4–5). Entrusting Himself to His Father, even to death, He is not put to shame but is vindicated in His resurrection (Is. 50:6–9). By His faith and faithfulness, He casts out the “mute and deaf spirit” from us (Mark 9:25). He has compassion on us and helps us, so that we are not destroyed but cleansed from every evil and raised up from death to life (Mark 9:22–27).

LIFE QUOTE — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

September 5: “The people you tell today are the ones who get to tell the next group of people yet to be born. Someday our children will be telling their children about their Savior, knowing God’s Word and His story of grace, because you model it and share it every day. Because you put your trust in God.” Linda Buxa, Time of Grace

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



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September 12, 2021

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Christ Jesus Delivers Us from Sin, Death, and the Devil

WELCOME!! Welcome to all who worship here this morning. We pray this service is a blessing to you. Visitors, please sign our guest book located in the entrance area of our church. If we can be of help to you, please let us know.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, You have prepared for those who love You good things that surpass all understanding. Pour into our hearts such love toward You that we, loving You above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

8:30 a.m. SP, Divine Service, Setting One *LSB* 151 (w/o communion)
10:30 a.m. TR, Divine Service, Setting One *LSB* 151

PRAYER RESPONSE

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

HYMNS

“Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake” *LSB* 688
“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” *LSB* 849
TR only: “We Give Thee But Thine Own” *LSB* 781 vv. 1–2
TR only: “Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” *LSB* 637
TR only: “Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared” *LSB* 622
“On What Has Now Been Sown” *LSB* 921

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

“The Tame Tongue”
James 3:1–12

IN OUR PRAYERS

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Kyle Everson 12th, Jayna Doering 13th, Dawn Fredericksen 14th, Kaeden Dalldorf 15th, Dan Meier 17th

TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: Jay & Terri Thompson 16th

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAY: Kendra Will 17th

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- St. Paul's is looking for a volunteer to clean their church for September and/or October. Please contact Marlene Johnson (999-2260) or Deb Haak (770-3101).
- Rev. Scott Sailer will lead a brief installation of Rev. Charles W. Adams as our resident vacancy pastor following the first hymn this morning. May Pastor Adams' time with us be blessed.

Brief Bio for Rev. Charles W. Adams

Pastor Adams grew up in rural northern Wisconsin, graduating from Merrill High School. After service in the U.S. Army, he attended Concordia College (now University), graduating in the fall of 1981. There he also met his wife Laura (Vogt). They were married three days after graduation. Their marriage has been blessed with three children and six grandchildren. Pastor Adams graduated from the St. Louis seminary in 1986. His vicarage year was served in Sioux City, Iowa, and he has served Grace Lutheran in Alma Center, WI; St. Matthew Lutheran in Mapleton, Iowa; Trinity Lutheran, Salina, KS; and Faith Lutheran in Ottawa, KS, from which he retired from full-time ministry in August 2020. Laura is a teacher who continues long-term substitute teaching in the Ottawa, KS elementary schools.

2021-09-12 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR — SEPTEMBER 12–19, 2021

Today Sept. 12	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service 10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service
Mon. Sept. 13	7 p.m. LWML St. Paul's Dorcas Circle
Wed. Sept. 15	2:15 p.m. Trinity Release-Time
Sun. Sept. 19	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service 10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service

CATECHISM REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK The Creed | The First Article, Creation



I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
What does this mean? (part 2)

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2021

ST. PAUL'S	TRINITY
Elder:	Elder: Dan Guericke
Ushers: Curt Guindon, Merlyn Haak, Marv Jira	Ushers: Brian Hall
Acolyte:	Acolytes: Madison Meier
Altar: Cathy Albrecht	Taelyn Clark

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Sept. 5)	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	16	27
Offering		\$1148.50

LECTIONARY SUMMARY

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4–10; James 3:1–12; Mark 9:14–29

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LIFE THOUGHT — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

September 12: Even Christian lips can dishonor God and endanger neighbors (James 3:9). When we permit assisted suicide or promote abortion, we cause more destruction than forest fires (James 3:5). But words also serve the Lord's gracious purposes. Gospel promises have delivered us. Even our sinful tongues can become instruments of His miracles. When we proclaim how God treasures every human life, He changes hearts and saves lives more than any laws or elections.



THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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September 19, 2021

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Our Father Cares for His Children with the Gospel of His Son

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PRAYER OF THE DAY O Lord, grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Your governance that Your Church may joyfully serve You in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

8:30 a.m. SP, Divine Service, Setting One *LSB* 151
10:30 a.m. TR, Divine Service, Setting One *LSB* 151

PRAYER RESPONSE

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

HYMNS

"Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now" *LSB* 902
"Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us" *LSB* 851
"We Give Thee But Thine Own" *LSB* 781 vv. 1–2
"Your Table I Approach" *LSB* 628
"The Lamb" *LSB* 547
"Abide, O Dearest Jesus" *LSB* 919

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

"Blindsided"
Jeremiah 11:18–20

IN OUR PRAYERS

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Michele Contreras 19th, Marcella Thompson (95) 20th, David Markhardt 20th

TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAY: Marv Jira 20th, Ann Harless 22nd, Erik Thomas 23rd, Addisyn Everson 24th

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- Contact information for Pastor Adams (also at the top of the left inside page of every bulletin): 785-893-4387 is his mobile phone number and is the best way to get ahold of him — anytime. If he can't answer right away, please leave a message and he'll get back to you as soon as possible.
- The October newsletter will be available on/after October 3, 2021. Articles are due September 28, 2021. trinitywlsd@gmail.com

2021-09-19 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR — SEPTEMBER 19–26, 2021

Today Sept. 19	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
	10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service
Wed. Sept. 15	2:15 p.m. Trinity Release-Time
Sun. Sept. 19	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
	10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service

CATECHISM REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

The Creed | The First Article, Creation

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.



What does this mean? (part 3)

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is y duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2021

ST. PAUL'S

Elder:
Ushers: Curt Guindon, Merlyn
Haak, Marv Jira
Acolyte:
Altar: Cathy Albrecht

TRINITY

Elder: Dan Guericke
Ushers: Brian Hall
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Acolytes: Madison Meier
Taelyn Clark

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Sept. 12)

	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	33	28
Offering	\$1028	\$357.50

Lectionary Summary for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



Jeremiah 11:18–20; James 3:13–4:10; Mark 9:30–37

Our Father Cares for His Children with the Gospel of His Son

The sinful heart is filled with *"bitter jealousy and selfish ambition"* (James 3:14), which causes hostility, quarrels and conflicts, even among those who are fellow members of the Body of Christ. This should not be so! Rather, God *"opposes the proud"* with His Law, in order to humble them unto repentance; He *"gives grace to the humble,"* in order to exalt them by His Gospel of forgiveness (James 4:6–10). This true *"wisdom from above"* is found in the gentleness, mercy and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who humbled Himself and sacrificed Himself for the salvation of sinners (James 3:17). He was *"like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter,"* committing Himself to God, His Father, *"who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind"* (Jer. 11:19–20). Therefore, *"after three days,"* His Father exalted Him by raising Him from the dead (Mark 9:31). In Holy Baptism, He takes disciples of all ages into His arms like little children. In receiving Him through repentance and faith in His forgiveness of sins, they receive from His Father a share in the glory of His cross and resurrection (Mark 9:36–37).

LIFE THOUGHT — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

September 19: Life issues like surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis are not morally neutral situations (James 4:4). Intentionally ending life arises from sinful selfishness (James 4:2). But we don't have to let our neighbors be led like lambs to slaughter. We can encourage and assist them in committing their cause instead to the Lord of hosts (Jeremiah 11:19-20). He has already given Jesus as guarantee that He will lift them up (James 4:10).



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September 26, 2021

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Christ Jesus, the Son of God, Cares for Us and Serves Us with the Forgiveness of Sins

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PRAYER OF THE DAY O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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PRAYER RESPONSE

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

HYMNS

“O Worship the King” *LSB* 804
“O Christ, Our True and Only Light” *LSB* 839
“We Give Thee But Thine Own” *LSB* 781 vv. 1–2
TR only: “I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table” *LSB* 618
TR only: “Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior” *LSB* 619
“God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven” *LSB* 877

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

“Radical Repentance”
Mark 9:38–50

IN OUR PRAYERS

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TRINITY BIRTHDAY: Riann Byrd 2nd

TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: David & Nancy Bogenhagen 30th

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAY: Isabelle Albrecht 27th

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARY: Jeremy & Lori Haak 30th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Parents of Confirmation age children** (7th–8th graders): Confirmation classes will begin Wednesday, September 29, 2021, 7 p.m. at St. Paul's. Please contact Pastor Adams (785-893-4387) to enroll your child(ren) or for any questions regarding the class.
- Please contact Pastor Adams (785-893-4387) for any spiritual needs, to schedule a home visit, or to get acquainted.
- **Bible Study** has begun at both congregations. Pastor Adams will lead us in studying the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday's service. All are welcome! Trinity will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. St. Paul's day and time will be announced today.
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2021-09-26 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Today Sept. 26	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
	10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service
TBA	TBA St. Paul's Bible Study
Wed. Sept. 29	2:15 p.m. Trinity Release-Time
	5:30 p.m. Trinity Bible Study
	5:30 p.m. Trinity Wednesday School
	7 p.m. Confirmation class at St. Paul's
Sun. Oct. 3	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
	10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service
	1:30 p.m. LWML Mitchell Zone Fall Rally, Plankinton

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ezekiel 36:22–27; Psalm 51:1–2, 6, 10–12; Mark 12:28–31

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2021

ST. PAUL'S	TRINITY
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Ushers: Curt Guindon, Merlyn Haak, Marv Jira	Ushers: Brian Hall
Acolyte:	Acolytes: Madison Meier
Altar: Cathy Albrecht	Taelyn Clark

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH OCTOBER 2021

Elder:	Elder: Scott Meier
Ushers: Brent Morenz, Mike Tuschen, Howard Weischedel	Ushers: Dean Suelflow Ben Bogenhagen
Acolyte:	Acolytes: Joshua Doering
Altar: Marlene Johnson	-

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Sept. 19)

	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	31	37
Offering	\$630	\$1068.50

Lectionary Summary for the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost (26 September 2021)

Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29; James 5:13–20; Mark 9:38–50



Christ Jesus, the Son of God, Cares for Us and Serves Us with the Forgiveness of Sins

When the people of Israel wept, complaining that they had no meat to eat (Num. 11:4), Moses cried out to the Lord that “the burden of all this people” was too heavy for him and that he was “not able to carry all this people alone” (Num. 11:11–14). So the Lord had Moses gather “seventy men of the elders of Israel” (Num. 11:16), and the Lord “took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders” (Num. 11:25), so that Moses would not carry the burden alone. All who thus labor are honored, and all the people are cared for, in the name of the Lord (Mark 9:39–41). Everything is done with reference to Christ Jesus. So we cling to Him, and we flee from all sins that would separate us from Him (Mark 9:42–48). The life of the Church is one of repentant faith in Christ. Christians confess their sins to one another, and they “pray for one another,” that each would be raised up and healed by the Lord Jesus, who covers “a multitude of sins” and saves our souls from death (James 5:15–20).

LIFE THOUGHT — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

September 26, 2021: Decisions about manner and timing of death—either our own or anyone else's—are difficult and dangerous. We cannot anticipate all its effects and consequences. Our Lord relieves us from playing God by reserving for Himself the right to determine how human beings live and when we die (Psalm 104:29-30). And He assures us that we may flee the likes of abortion and assisted suicide by taking refuge in His kingdom of forgiveness and faith (Mark 9:43-47).

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



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. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with our pastor or an usher.



LWML Mitchell Zone Fall Rally
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Plankinton
October 3, 2021

Registration	1:30 p.m.
Opening Devotions	1:45 p.m.
Welcome	2 p.m.
Mitchell Area Safe House Presentation 2–3 p.m.	
Break	3–3:15 p.m.
Business Meeting.....	3:15 p.m.
Closing	4 pm
Luncheon	

(Free Will Offering)

There will a silent auction at the 2021 Fall Rally. Each group (society) is encouraged to provide one or two items. All proceeds will go to mites for missions.

Gifts from the Heart (ingathering) will be items for the Mitchell Area Safe House: paper towels, toilet paper, garbage bags, disposable gloves, Clorox wipes, hand sanitizer, dish soap, laundry soap, tampons, deodorant, hair conditioner, baby diapers (4,5,6) and wipes, copy paper, batteries (9V), non-perishable food items, gift cards for grocery stores, gas stations, hair salons, and office supplies.

The 2021 Nominating Committee is Plankinton St. Paul's and White Lake Trinity. Officers up for election this year include the Vice President and the Secretary/Historian. Please contact Diana Kieffer or Marlene Johnson if you have suggestions for ladies to serve in these positions.

If you have a Thrivent Action Team project that you need to use before the end of the year, our parsonage is in need of help. We are trying to do the \$250 action team grants for parsonage repairs. There are many projects to use the grants for and we will have no problem with the "in kind" participation. If you would like to use yours for this, please apply for one and use "parsonage repairs" for the description. If you are approved, please let Judy Jira (999-3455) or Kathy Guindon (770-2324) know as soon as your project has been confirmed. Thank you.