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October 3, 2021

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
LWML SUNDAY**

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 Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, instill in our hearts the love of Your name, impress on our minds the teachings of Your Word, and increase in our lives all that is holy and just; 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

LWML Sunday Service with Service of the Sacrament from Divine Service, Setting Four, *LSB* 208 (see insert or large print version).

PRAYER RESPONSE

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

HYMNS

"O Holy Spirit, Enter In" *LSB* 913
"Voices Raised to You We Offer" *LSB* 795
"Renew Me, O Eternal Light" *LSB* 704
"We Give Thee But Thine Own" *LSB* 781 vv. 1–2
"Love in Christ Is Strong and Living" *LSB* 706
"Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray" *LSB* 623
"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" *LSB* 740
"Serve the Lord with Gladness" Tune: *LSB* 662

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

"Our Hearts in HIS Hand"
1 Peter 1:22

IN OUR PRAYERS

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING OF OUR MEMBERS: SP: Justin Everson, Doug Gerlach, Jean Gerlach, Larry Gerlach, Elmer Sorensen, Jerry Boyd, David Merrill, Chris Heismeyer, and Kyle Lehman. TR: Pam Hallman, Eleanor Gieseman, and Deb Pope.

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Matthew Fey 3rd, Olivia Hanten 6th, Austin Hauge 7th

TRINITY ANNIVERSARY: Nick & Jill Rolfsmeier 6th

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAY: Cathy Albrecht 4th

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- The October newsletter is available today. Please pick up your copy.



THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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2021-10-03 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
CALENDAR — OCTOBER 3–10, 2021**

Today October 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
TBD	TBD St. Paul's Bible Study
Tues. October 5	2 p.m. TR LWML Hope Circle 6:30 p.m. TR LWML Ruth Circle
Wed. October 6	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. October 10	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service 10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service Amos 5:6–7, 10–15; Hebrews 3:12–19; Mark 10:17–22

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. 26)	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	38	28
Offering	\$575	\$397.50

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE — LIFE THOUGHT

October 3 – Pentecost XIX (Proper 22B): This world idolizes sexuality so much it sacrifices unborn children in worship. Our Heavenly Father establishes boundaries to protect us from this slavery. He elevates us by connecting sexuality to marriage, intimacy, procreation, and family. Human bodies testify that we're born already belonging to somebody. Where the world sees selves for expressing or enjoying, we celebrate them in sharing and serving!



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October 10, 2021

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

***Christ Jesus Is the One and Only Good by Whom You Inherit
Eternal Life***

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PRAYER OF THE DAY Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your Salvation; 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

Lord, in Your mercy,
 hear our prayer.

HYMNS

"Seek Where You May to Find a Way" *LSB 557*
"Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower" *LSB 694*
"We Give Thee But Thine Own" *LSB 781* vv. 1-2
TR only: "Jesus Comes Today with Healing" LSB 620
TR only: "Lord, Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray" LSB 623
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" *LSB 575*

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

"When Silence Is Deadly"
Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15

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TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Drew Gerlach 11th, Howard Weischedel 12th

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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CATECHISM REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

The Creed | The Second Article, Redemption



And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean? (part 1)

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

2021-10-10 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR — OCTOBER 10–17, 2021

Today October 10	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
	10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service
	1 p.m. Youth Confirmation Class, Plankinton
TBD	TBD St. Paul's Bible Study
Mon. October 11	7 p.m. SP LWML Dorcas Circle
Wed. October 12	2:15 p.m. Trinity Release-Time
	5:30 p.m. Trinity Bible Study
	5:30 p.m. Trinity Wednesday School
Sun. October 17	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
	10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20; Hebrews 4:1–13; Mark 10:23–31

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH OCTOBER 2021

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

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Oct. 3)	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	40	35
Offering	\$2507	\$856.50

Lectionary Summary for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost (10 October 2021)

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15; Hebrews 3:12–19; Mark 10: 17–22



Christ Jesus Is the One and Only Good by Whom You Inherit Eternal Life

The Lord is the Author and Giver of life, as well as a consuming fire of judgment against all “who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate” (Amos 5:12). “Seek the LORD and live,” therefore, by hating what is evil, loving what is good and doing what is just and right, according to His Word. “And so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you” (Amos 5:6, 14–15). Understand that “no one is good except God alone” (Mark 10:18). The life that you are called to live is found neither in your “great possessions,” nor in your good works, but only in Christ Jesus. Let go of “all that you have” and follow Him, even unto death, and “you will have treasure in heaven” (Mark 10:21–22). Do not harden your heart against His voice, nor turn away from Him, lest you “fall away from the living God.” Rather, hear and heed His call, cling to His Word, and “exhort one another every day,” that you may remain steadfast in Christ and “firm to the end” (Heb. 3:12–15).

LIFE THOUGHT — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

October 10 – Pentecost XX (Proper 23B): “I would never choose it for myself, but I’m not comfortable telling anyone else how to act.” Our neighbors need more from us than lukewarm. The Lord God invites the same courage and compassion His salvation has shown us. “Hate evil, and love good” (Amos 5:15). Real love proclaims both the Law and the Gospel directly (Mark 10:19-21). Jesus makes us nothing less than gentle but relentless!

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



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October 17, 2021

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

By the Voluntary Poverty of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of God

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PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; 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

"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" *LSB* 904
"Salvation unto Us Has Come" *LSB* 555 vs. 1, 4-5, 9-10
"We Give Thee But Thine Own" *LSB* 781 vv. 1-2
"Your Table I Approach" *LSB* 628
"Sent Forth by God's Blessing" *LSB* 643
"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing" *LSB* 924

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

"Mission Impossible"
Mark 10: 23-31

IN OUR PRAYERS *

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING OF OUR MEMBERS: SP: Justin Everson, Doug Gerlach, Jean Gerlach, Larry Gerlach, Elmer Sorensen, Jerry Boyd, David Merrill, Chris Heismeyer, and Kyle Lehman. TR: Pam Hallman, Eleanor Gieseman, Deb Pope, and Jay Thompson.

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TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: Wayne & Sue Tatro 20th, Michael & Barbara Gilbertz 22nd

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: James Will 17th, Shannon Tobin 19th, Camie Johnson 20th, Tyson Huff 20th

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

2021-10-17 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR — OCTOBER 17–24, 2021

Today October 17	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service 10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service 1 p.m. Youth Confirmation Class, Plankinton
TBD	TBD St. Paul's Bible Study
Wed. October 19	2:15 p.m. Trinity Release-Time 5:30 p.m. Trinity Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Trinity Wednesday School
Thurs. October 21	7:30 p.m. Trinity Voters Meeting
Sun. October 24	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service 10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service

SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH OCTOBER 2021

Elder: Justin Everson	Elder: Scott Meier
Ushers: Brent Morenz, Mike Tuschen, Howard Weischedel	Ushers: Dean Suellflow Ben Bogenhagen
Acolyte: Altar: Marlene Johnson	Acolytes: Joshua Doering Jake Doering

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Oct. 10)	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	27	35
Offering	\$545	\$825.50

CATECHISM REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

The Creed | The Second Article, Redemption



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What does this mean? (part 2)

... who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death ...

Lectionary Summary for the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost (17 October 2021)

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20; Hebrews 4:1–13; Mark 10:23–31



By the Voluntary Poverty of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of God

To love and trust in earthly wealth is vanity. For nothing of this earth will last forever, nor can any of it grant eternal life (Eccl. 5:10). But the one who trusts in God is “occupied with joy in his heart” and is able to sleep in peace, “whether he eats little or much,” because he knows that the “days of his life” are “the gift of God” (Eccl. 5:12, 18–20). The person who trusts in riches cannot sleep, because he “shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand” (Eccl. 5:15). Therefore, it is difficult “for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God” (Mark 20:23). Indeed, it is impossible for man, yet “all things are possible with God” (Mark 20:27). Thus, the Rich Man, Jesus Christ, has made Himself poor and has gone through “the eye of a needle,” through death and the grave, “to enter the kingdom of God” on our behalf (Mark 20:24–25). He is the “great high priest who has passed through the heavens” (Heb. 4:14), so that we may now enter His Sabbath rest by faith in His forgiveness (Heb. 4:3–9).

LIFE THOUGHT — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

October 17 – Pentecost XXI (Proper 24B): Surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis can indeed make anyone feel vulnerable (Ecclesiastes 5:15). Our Incarnate Almighty knows (Hebrews 4:15), and so He arranges better solutions than intentional death. His promises have power even over problems of the body (Hebrews 4:12), and whatever losses we may suffer, He more than compensates (Mark 10:29-30). Jesus the Savior makes all things possible—even joy amid suffering (Ecclesiastes 5:18).

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October 24, 2021

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Lord Jesus Christ Opens Our Eyes to God and Brings Us into His Presence

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PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; 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*, without communion
10:30 a.m. TR, Divine Service, Setting One, *LSB 151*

PRAYER RESPONSE

Lord, in Your mercy,
 hear our prayer.

HYMNS

"Today You Mercy Calls Us" *LSB 915*
"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" *LSB 528*
"We Give Thee But Thine Own" *LSB 781 vv. 1-2*
TR only: "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" LSB 636
"Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" *LSB 917*

SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

IN OUR PRAYERS *

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Sue Tatro 10-26; Charlee Byrd 10-27

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: Paul & Janet Borgmann 10-26; Dan & Jane Guericke 10-27; Tige & Michelle Everson 10-30

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Sharon Boyd 10-26; Donna Fink 10-26; Kellie Harless 10-28; Terry Anthony 10-28; Tara Thomas 10-29; Shannon Tobin 10-29

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Mitchell Circuit Reformation Festival** -- Our annual Circuit Reformation Festival is set for **October 31, 2021** at Zion Mitchell. Worship is at 4 p.m. and a meal at 5 p.m. Preacher and dinner speaker will be Rev. Ryan Loeslie of Immanuel, rural Dimock. Come celebrate our Lutheran heritage and enjoy the fellowship of our circuit.
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- The November 2021 newsletter will be available on/after October 31, 2021. Articles are due October 25, 2021.

2021-10-24 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR — OCTOBER 24–31, 2021

Today October 24	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service 9:30 a.m. St. Paul's Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service 11:40 a.m. Trinity Youth Confirmation Class 1 p.m. St. Paul's Youth Confirmation Class 3 p.m. Mitchell Circuit Youth Picnic, Armour
TBD	TBD St. Paul's Bible Study
Wed. October 27	2:15 p.m. Trinity Release-Time 5:30 p.m. Trinity Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Trinity Wednesday School
Sun. October 31	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service 9:30 a.m. St. Paul's Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service 4 p.m. Reformation Festival, Mitchell TBD Trinity Youth Confirmation Class TBD St. Paul's Youth Confirmation Class

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Acolyte: Altar: Marlene Johnson	Acolytes: Joshua Doering Jake Doering

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Oct. 17)	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	29	32
Offering	\$952	\$255.50

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

OCTOBER 31, 2021: Revelation 14:6–7; Romans 3:19–28; John 8:31–36

Lectionary Summary for the Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost (24 October 2021)



Jeremiah 31:7–9; Hebrews 7:23–28; Mark 10:46–52

The Lord Jesus Christ Opens Our Eyes to God and Brings Us into His Presence

As He did for blind Bartimaeus, so does the Lord, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon you. With His Word of the Gospel, *“he is calling you”* to Himself, to *“take heart,”* to rise up and live by faith in His forgiveness. He opens your heart and mind to see and know God rightly in Him and to follow Him *“on the way”* of the cross and into life everlasting (Mark 10:49–52). *“He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him,”* because He is the great High Priest, who offered Himself *“once for all”* as a sacrifice for sins. Since He is risen from the dead and *“exalted above the heavens,”* He *“holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever,”* and *“he always lives to make intercession”* for His people (Heb. 7:24–27). Along with that, He gathers the children of God to Himself by the proclamation of His Gospel, even *“from the farthest parts of the earth.”* In mercy He calls them, by the waters of Holy Baptism, *“in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,”* unto life everlasting (Jer. 31:8–9).

LIFE THOUGHT — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

October 24 – Pentecost XXII (Proper 25B): Disabilities do not deserve death, either at life's beginning or near its end. The Lord our God loves to save us in all our brokennesses (Jeremiah 31:8-9). May we learn something even greater than comfort from our limitations—may we learn in our disabilities to cry out to Jesus and follow Him (Mark 10:48, 52), through affliction to life everlasting.

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October 31, 2021

REFORMATION DAY

***The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death
by His Grace***

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 Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; 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. St. Paul's and 10:30 a.m. Trinity
Divine Service, Setting Three, *LSB* 184, without Introit and Gradual

PRAYER RESPONSE

Lord, in Your mercy,
 hear our prayer.

HYMNS

"Amazing Grace" *LSB* 744
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" *LSB* 656
"We Give Thee But Thine Own" *LSB* 781 vv. 1-2
"What Is This Bread" *LSB* 629
"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" *LSB* 633
"We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God" *LSB* 941



SERMON TITLE AND TEXT

"Keeping the Main Thing the Main Thing"
Romans 3:19-28

IN OUR PRAYERS *

FOR HEALTH AND HEALING OF OUR MEMBERS: SP: Justin Everson, Doug Gerlach, Jean Gerlach, Larry Gerlach, Elmer Sorensen, Jerry Boyd, David Merrill, Chris Heismeyer, and Kyle Lehman. TR: Pam Hallman, Eleanor Gieseman, and Deb Pope.

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

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of Sara Barto (sister-in-law of Jayna Doering, TR). May our heavenly Father grant comfort and peace in the blessed assurance of eternal life for His children.

TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: Lorraine Mosemann 10-31; Wayne Tatro 10-31; Angela Hemple 11-02; Paul Borgmann 11-04

TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

ST. PAUL'S BIRTHDAYS: Lori Haak 11-01; Kurt Fink 11-03; Bert Fink 11-04; Justin Everson 11-05

ST. PAUL'S ANNIVERSARIES: none

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Barbara Gilbertz and Jenny Gilbertz have transferred their membership from St. Paul's Plankinton to Trinity White Lake. Welcome to Trinity, Barb and Jenny!
- **Mitchell Circuit Reformation Festival** -- Our annual Circuit Reformation Festival is set for **October 31, 2021** at Zion Mitchell. Worship is at 4 p.m. and a meal at 5 p.m. Preacher and dinner speaker will be Rev. Ryan Loeslie of Immanuel, rural Dimock. Come celebrate our Lutheran heritage and enjoy the fellowship of our circuit.
- The annual St. Paul's/Trinity **Joint Voters Meeting** will be held at Trinity Wednesday, November 3, 2021, 7 p.m.
- A signup sheet is located in the narthex for **church cleaning at St. Paul's Lutheran Church**. Please sign up for a month that works for you. Caring for our church property is one of the ways we show our Christian love and something in which we can all participate. There is a list of cleaning duties in the cleaning supply room in the basement to use as a guide. Thank you to those who have already signed up and to those who will be signing up. Reminder, men can clean too. We are covered until January 2022.

If anyone is interested in cleaning St. Paul's Lutheran Church on more of a full-time basis as a **paid position**, or if you have any questions, please contact Marlene Johnson (999-2260) or Deb Haak (770-3101).
- St. Paul's LWML Dorcas Circle will continue collecting cleaning supplies for the Mitchell Area Safe House through the rest of 2021.

2021-10-31 Reformation Day

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR — OCTOBER 31–NOVEMBER 7, 2021

Today October 31	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
	9:30 a.m. St. Paul's Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. Trinity Divine Service
	4 p.m. Mitchell Circuit Reformation Festival
TBD	TBD St. Paul's Bible Study
TBD	TBD Youth Confirmation Class
Wed. Nov. 3	2:15 p.m. Trinity Release-Time
	5:30 p.m. Trinity Bible Study
	5:30 p.m. Trinity Wednesday School
	7 p.m. Joint Voters Meeting, Trinity
Sun. Nov. 7	8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Divine Service
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SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH OCTOBER 2021

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

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS (Oct. 24)	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance	26	43
Offering	\$620	\$1134.50

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

NOVEMBER 7, 2021: Revelation 7:9–17; 1 John 3:1–3; Matthew 5:1–12

Lectionary Summary for Reformation Day

(31 October 2021)

Revelation 14:6–7; Romans 3:19–28; John 8:31–36

The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace

“Wisdom is justified by her deeds” (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son, has justified us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His kingdom and “remain in the house forever” (John 8:35). He is “a friend of tax collectors and sinners” (Matt. 11:18–19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel “to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people” (Rev. 14:6), “the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law” (Rom. 3:21), “that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus” (Rom. 3:26). And by the hearing of that Gospel of Christ Jesus, “whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith” (Rom. 3:25), “you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free” (John 8:31–32).

LIFE QUOTE — LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

October 31 – “So follow Daniel ... Martin Luther ... the believers of ages past who have stood firm on Scripture alone, by faith alone, and by God's grace alone no matter what the cost. Spread the Word. Preach the truth. Defend your faith. Pass it on to your children. God will bless you and keep you firm in the one true faith. With that comfort you can proclaim, ‘Here I stand. I cannot do otherwise. God help me. Amen!’” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota*

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