

In the name of our Lord and Father we welcome you! The greatest love we can show our neighbor is to call him away from sin to faith in Jesus, his Savior. If you are a guest with us, please sign our guest register. We invite you to worship with us again.

Our Worship

Order of Service: “Service Of The Word” can also be found on page 38 in *Christian Worship* if you would like to follow the music there.

HYMN – 493

STAND

M: The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE (Sung)

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

M: Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue safely without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen (Sung)

BE SEATED

THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 33:7-11 (NIV) *God gives Ezekiel and all his children the solemn charge of watching over each other's souls. We must preach the law to those who are disobedient and the gospel to those who are despairing.*

⁷ "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. ⁸ When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you will surely die,' and you do not speak out to dissuade him from his ways, that wicked man will die for his sin, and I will hold you accountable for his blood. ⁹ But if you do warn the wicked man to turn from his ways and he does not do so, he will die for his sin, but you will have saved yourself. ¹⁰ "Son of man, say to the house of Israel, 'This is what you are saying: "Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?" ' ¹¹ Say to them, 'As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, O house of Israel?'

Epistle Lesson: Romans 13:1-10 (NIV) *Because of God's unconditional love for us, we who believe in Christ have a joyful debt of love to our neighbor. This includes our government.*

¹Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. ²Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. ³For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and he will commend you. ⁴For he is God's servant to do you good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword for nothing. He is God's servant, an agent of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer.

⁵Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. ⁶This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. ⁷Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. ⁸Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "Do not commit adultery," "Do not murder," "Do not steal," "Do not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this one

rule: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no harm to its neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

VERSE OF THE DAY:

M: Alleluia. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Alleluia.

C: (Sung) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

STAND

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20 (NIV) *Since the Good Shepherd spared no pain to find the lost sheep, so Christ's Church diligently uses God's law and gospel to call the erring brother to repentance.*

¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. ¹⁶But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, treat him as you would a pagan or a tax collector. ¹⁸"I tell you the truth, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven ¹⁹"Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where

two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."

C: (Sung) Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

HYMN – 304 verses 1,4,6,7

Sermon Text: Matthew 18:15-20

“WIN YOUR BROTHER; SAVE HIS LIFE”

STAND

APOSTLES CREED

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

STAND

OFFERING HYMN - 484 verse 1

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

(Saturday)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Or

(Sunday)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BE SEATED

HYMN – 620

STAND

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (Sung) Amen.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: (Sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

HMYN – 410 verses 1,6,9. Please stand for verse 9.



We welcome those visiting us today. If you are a resident of this area and have no church home, we invite you to give consideration to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, town of Liberty. If you are interested, you may speak to the pastor. We pray the blessing of God's Holy Spirit upon his Word, which you are hearing with us today. Please worship with us again!

Announcements:

Organist

Our organist this weekend is Sue Zuberbier from Zion, Louis Corners. We thank her for playing and helping to beautify our worship.

Prayer Requests –

- Dennis Moldenhauer family after their auto accident weeks ago – we pray that our Lord Jesus would continue Dennis and his family’s good recovery in body and in spirit.
- Marion Moldenhauer & Harold Jaeger – who are both at the Manitowoc Health Care Center, we pray for God’s mercy on them, that they may enjoy their walk with him toward glory.
- Wally Kiesow – as he recovers from knee surgery at Manitowoc Health Care Center, we ask God to heal him and let this procedure be a blessing to him and his.
- Jim Liermann – as he continues his treatments, we pray that the Lord would remove his disease and strengthen his family by the Holy Spirit through God’s Word.
- Jesse Lietzau – serving in the Middle East. We implore the LORD to guard him by his angels and build him and his family in Christ. We pray the same for Nicole Schultz, granddaughter of Ralph Schultz and Ed Vetter, now back serving in Germany, and for Erika Chute, granddaughter of Orabelle Fisher, now serving in Iraq.

Building Committee . . .

Is set to meet September 4th at 7:30 pm in the church office, to work on the next steps in our expansion project.

Some Notes of Thanks

We appreciate the willingness of Juel and Marie Knutson and Jeff Knutson to be our representatives at the County Fair last Sunday, to sit at the WELS booth during Trinity's time. Starting next year, we plan to put the duty of finding volunteers for this work into the hands of the Bd. of Evangelism.

We also thank Gary Vetter for his hours of extra work on the church grounds over the past few weeks, edging the teacherage lawn, trimming trees at the parsonage, and taking care of the tree by the ball diamond recently, to facilitate our building plans. Along with him we thank Steve Pleuss for his labors, the other men and women who have done outside work with them (including our janitor Alicia Lambert and her helping grandmother Lucille Jaeger), and Augie Teesch and Fred Wehausen for their regular work in maintaining our grounds.

Family Fun Fest

If you are looking for something to do on Sat. Sept. 6th Zion Church at Louis Corners is holding their Family Fun Fest from 10am to 2pm. They are having many different activities and food and refreshments are available.

Get Ready!

Public worship is certainly our ultimate time for spiritual growth. But don't forget about the wonderful added bonus of dedicated Bible study. Another year of digging into God's Word and gaining power for our lives is about to begin! Sunday School for our children starts on September 7th. Adult Bible class starts September 14th. In adult Bible Class, we plan to look at various world religions, even cults that exist today, to see how they differ from the true faith we have through Scripture.

Sunday School is planning to study the good old Bible stories of the Old and New Testament that ground our kids in salvation history. Everyone is welcome!

Youth Group

First of all, we have a meeting set for September 3rd, right after catechism, a quick meeting from 6:15 to 6:45. Young people, teens, you're encouraged to come and plan our upcoming activities.

The next date for the Youth Group's Adopt-A-Highway clean up is Saturday, September 13, 2008. We will be meeting at 9 AM at Anthony Matznick's residence (Uriah & Tabitha's dad's house) at 9533 County Highway C. We will start with a short 5 minute video - for those that have not seen it before. Then, we will head out to pick up the trash on County Highway C, starting at Highway 42 working our way to Nagel Road, then back to Highway 42. After the clean up we will be treated to pizza for all our hard work. We should be done by 1 PM with the clean up and dinner.

Please wear long pants (jeans), long sleeve shirt, work type boots / shoes (preferably the high top type), high socks (so our pant legs can be tucked inside), and a hat / cap. You will also need a heavy pair of work type gloves and we may want bug spray. Minimum age requirement is 11 years old or in 6th grade. So all youths 6th grade to 11th grade are encouraged to come and help out for this community service project. You may also bring a friend. If anyone is in need of a ride, please contact Polly Bonfigt or Pastor.

Reminders

- *Confirmation Class starts on Sept.3rd at 5:00 p.m.
- *Check out the MLHS calendar for events.
- *Scrip is still available.

Calendar of Events

Sat.30th	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Sun.31st	9:30 a.m.	Worship
Mon.1st		Labor Day
Tues.2nd	8:00 p.m.	Spiritual Affairs
Wed.3rd	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	6:15 p.m.	Youth Group Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Evangelism
Thur.4th	7:30 p.m.	Building Committee
Sat.6th	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Sun.7th	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship

Greeters:

Aug. 31st: Wayne & Elizabeth Otto

Sept.7th: Jeff & Krista Tuschel

Ushers:

Aug. 30th: John Smith, August Teesch

Aug. 31st: Fritz Wehausen, Elwood Free, Al Bonfigt, Larry Hochkammer

Sept. 6th: Dave Williamson, Mike Kiesow

Sept. 7th: Keith Petersen, Len Arnold, Eli Kenneke, A.J. Kenneke

Altar Guild: August- Group 4:

Marie Knutson, Darlene Kiesow, Marilyn Kaufmann, Grace Ott



A Happy Birthday to...

8/30 Cindy Williamson

8/30 Hannah Bratz

8/30 Heidi Bratz

8/31 Lisa Kiesow

8/31 Tyler Teesch

*****9/1 Ralph Schultz –89 Yrs young!**

9/3 Matthew Fitzgerald

9/5 Myron Schreiber

9/6 Virginia Ratsch

9/7 Susan Krey



Happy Anniversary To...

8/31 Jeff & Sherri Kasten –18 Years!

9/1 Harold & Alice Schnell – 63 Years!

9/2 Damian & Jane Bushman – 30 Years!

9/3 Todd & Lisa Petersen – 14 Years!

9/4 Edward & Janet Matthias – 60 years!

9/5 Steve & Kim Fischer - 10 years!

9/5 Jay & Debbie Fitzgerald – 28 Years!

9/7 Eli & Betsy Kenneke – 17 Years!

9/9 Rick & Audrey Bratz – 13 Years!

*If you had an August birthday or anniversary that was missed or listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update church records! Thanks!

