

False christ #9



Ninth in the series "Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?"

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AS WE GATHER

This week's false christ is the Mystical Friend. When Adam and Eve saw that the tree in the middle of the garden was good for food and a delight to the eyes, they departed from the Word of God and trusted in their own understanding. When we hear God's Word and take it to heart, it does not mean that we seek to understand the Word by asking ourselves, "What does this mean to me?" Personal growth in faith is best accomplished not by trusting in our own interpretation of God's Word, but through the Holy Spirit opening our minds to understand the Word of God and receiving His Sacraments within the community of fellow believers.

PRE-SERVICE (10:30am)**"ODE TO JOY"****By Beethoven, Arr. William Hathis***Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran School Grade 7 & 8 Handbell Choir***OPENING HYMN****CHURCH OF GOD, ELECT AND GLORIOUS****LSB 646, vs. 1-3*****INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCESPsalm 122:1; Hebrews 9:15*

- P I was glad when they said to me,
C **"Let us go to the house of the LORD!"**

- P Christ Jesus is the mediator of a new covenant,
C **so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTIONHebrews 9:22, 26b*

- P Scripture says, "under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. . . . But Christ has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself." Let us prepare to receive forgiveness and cleansing from God our Savior by confessing our need and repentance of our sin.
- C **Lord God, we come before You this day seeking Your mercy and grace for the forgiveness of our sins and the cleansing of our lives. We confess to You all our sins, both the wrong we have done as well as the love we have withheld and the good we have failed to do for others. Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

KYRIE-*Spoken

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE CHURCH OF GOD, ELECT AND GLORIOUS LSB 646, vs. 4**

***SALUTATION**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 17:8–16

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], ⁹“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” ¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²And she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.’” ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Hebrews 9:24–28

²⁴For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM (8:00am & 10:30am) "THANK YOU, LORD, FOR EVERYTHING"

By Barbara Steed Sanko, Arr. Brad Nix

Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran School students: 8:00am Kindergarten-Gr. 2; 10:30am Gr. 3 & 4

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM (10:30am) **"BY FAITH"** **By Getty, Getty, Townend** Arr. Daniel Semsen
Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran School Grade 5-8 Choir

***HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 12:38–44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁸In his teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces ³⁹and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, ⁴⁰who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. ⁴³And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. ⁴⁴For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

***APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**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.**

**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.**

SERMON HYMN

O WORD OF GOD INCARNATE

LSB 523

SERMON

FALSE CHRIST: THE MYSTICAL FRIEND

OFFERING

VOLUNTARY(10:30am) **"OUR HYMN OF GRATEFUL PRAISE"** Arr. Michael Helman

Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran School Grade 7 & 8 Handbell Choir

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

After our petitions:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

C **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.**

***CLOSING COLLECT**

P Almighty and everlasting God, You desire not the death of a sinner but that all would repent and live. Hear our prayers for those outside the Church. Take away their iniquity, and turn them from their false gods to You, the living and true God. Gather them into Your holy Church to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

HYMN TO DEPART

O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR

LSB 527, vs. 1–3

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Serving our Lord

		November 10, 2024	November 17, 2024
Musician		Diane Streich	Merlin Simon
Cantor		Dave Workman	Andy Koch
Altar Guild		Nim Traeger and Sharon Drews	Nim Traeger and Sharon Drews
Elder	8am	Andy Olson	Bill Breitinger and Sam Erdman
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Kurt Vallin, Matthew Berg
Reader	8am	Andy Olson	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Keith Prusak	Tim Morris
Usher Team	8am	Sam Erdman	Brian Nack
	10:30am	Open	Open
Greeter(s)	8am	Carolyn Wesling	Open
	10:30am	Helen Stoerzinger	Helen Stoerzinger
Acolyte(s)	8am	Lily Olander, Sophia Orr	Isaac Koch, Beth Koch
	10:30am	Dana Vallin, Sabontu Benya	Ethan Swenson, Dana Vallin
Projectionist	8am	Jean Peterson	Matt or Jacob Seeman
	10:30am	Open	Ben Swenson
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	LWML	Open



Thank you!

What a great blessing of music this morning! Our heartfelt thanks to TLO School students for sharing their lovely music in both our 8:00am and 10:30am worship this morning. And special thanks to Mrs. Stephanie Vallin for having the students so well prepared. We appreciate the voices and handbells that gave glory to God!



Operation Christmas Child

Lunch and shoebox packing event | TODAY! November 10 | 11:30am

Join us for pizza and to pack boxes that change the world. Along with toys and hygiene items, each box contains the Gospel in the child's language. The cost to ship each box is \$9 so donations towards this cost are also needed. Stop down to the gym after second service and join the fun!

COMING UP AT TLO — November 10, 2024 — November 17, 2024**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Sun	8:00*am	Worship; grades K-2 students sing in worship
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship; grades 3-8 sing and grades 7-8 play handbells in worship
	11:45am	Operation Christmas Child lunch and packing event
	12:30am	Peniel Evengelical Church
Mon	Veteran's Day	
	10:00am	Adult Bible Class; studying Proverbs
Tue	6:30pm	Moms in Prayer
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
	4:00pm	Midweek Confirmation Class
	6:00pm	A.T.T.I.C. - all grade 7-12 invited!
	7:00pm	Truth Project
Thur	9:00am	Circuit Pastors' Meeting
	6:00pm	Peniel events
	7:00pm	Choir practice - all invited!
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word (WoW) Bible study
Sat	2:00pm	Peniel events

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:45am	Voters' Meeting
	12:30am	Peniel Evengelical Church

*worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org**Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11**

On November 11, the United States celebrates and honors America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. When first celebrated as Armistice Day, the day marked the end of World War I, formally recognized on the "11th hour, of the 11th day, of the 11th month" in 1918. However, in 1954, the holiday was renamed "Veterans Day" in order to account for all veterans in all wars. Please take time to thank the veterans in your life for their bravery and sacrifice.



Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church
Voters' Meeting Agenda
November 17, 2024 | 11:45am | TLO Gym



Call to Order

Open Meeting with Prayer

Review and Approve Voters' Meeting Minutes from September 22, 2024

Board and Officer Reports

Written reports will be available on Sunday, November 17 in the gym. Please review the reports and ask questions at the meeting.

Pastor's Report	Principal's Report	Board of Christian Education	President
Board of Elders	Board of Endowment	Board of Christian Outreach	Treasurer
Board of Trustees	Board of Stewardship	Board of Youth Ministry	
	Finance Secretary	Board of Social Ministry	

Unfinished Business

- **Rev. Dr. Thomas Park** — Council has recommended the TLOLC to do a 2-year pledge to contribute collections of \$2,205 annually, paid out semi-annually.

New Business

- MN South District LCMS Convention 2024
 - Election of pastor and lay person to attend Circuit Forum as congregation representatives.
 - Nomination of candidates for the circuit visitor for the 2025-2028 triennium
 - Nominations of candidates for the offices of District President, Regional Vice President, and Board of Directors.
 - Election of Convention delegates (one pastoral, one lay, one alt. lay)
 - Participation in the triennial process for determining the District's priorities

Board and Officer Nominations and Elections:

Board of Elders – 3 Open
Board of Stewardship - Chair
Board of Worship – Chair
Board of Youth Ministry – Chair
Board of Endowment – 1 Open
Board of Stewardship – Chair

New Members signing of Constitution

Motion to adjourn

Close with prayer



An Opportunity to Serve TLO School - Principal Search

After more than 40 years in Lutheran Education, Principal Jones has made the decision to retire at the end of the school year.

TLO School is seeking candidates to serve as principal. If you would like to nominate someone, please forward the candidate's contact information to Board of Christian Education Chair, Michelle Koch (michelleb440@hotmail.com). Include the following information: his/her current place of service and the reasons why you believe he/she will be an asset to TLO.

The qualifications for this position include:

- has been a successful administrator
- is rostered as a Commissioned Minister of Religion in the LCMS, or willing to work toward such designation
- is certified, or eligible to be certified, by the State of Minnesota



All grade 7-12 students are invited for A.T.T.I.C

A.T.T.I.C (All Tied Together in Christ) nights at TLO include a Bible Study/Devotion and an activity. We'll share how you are using your God given talents in your school community to be a shining light. Join us the first 2 Wednesdays per month from 6:00-7:30pm. Feel free to invite a friend to join in this Wednesday, November 13. I hope to see you there! — Mrs. Pinky Seeman, TLO Youth Director, pinky.seeman@tloschool.org, 612-270-0792

 SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIRS

The **Scholastic Book Fair** is where you will be able to shop for birthday or Christmas presents or just items for enjoyment and benefit TLO Library at the same time. The Book Sale ends today Sunday, November 10th at 12:00noon. We hope to see you there!



Flowers on the altar

The beautiful flowers on the altar are in honor of three wedding anniversaries:

Jake and Ashley (nee' Rahn) Goehring (9 years)

Jim and Kim Perron (43 years)

Ronnie and Cindy Rahn (43 years)

We pray God's richest blessings on all three couples for many more happy years serving Him.

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: November 3, 2024

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	10,892.75
	(Our offering budget is \$9,330 per week)		
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	443.00
	(Our offering budget is \$675 for per week)		
	Tuition	\$	5,817.87
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	5.00
	Chapel offerings - supporting Rev. Tom Park in Taiwan	\$	37.36
	Sunday school - supporting Rev. Tom Park in Taiwan	\$	6.25
	Church and school fees	\$	4,006.96
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	21,209.19
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	385.30
	Fire Alarm System replacement	\$	N/A
	Acorn Scholarship Fund - supporting TLO School student tuition	\$	N/A
	Young Investors stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	286.00
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	671.30

Ways to Give to TLO's Ministry



Online—Visit trinityloneoak.org/giving and click Give Now to set up a one-time or recurring donation, or to make a payment.



QR CODE—Scan the QR code pictured here.



In Person—Whether it's cash or check, we appreciate your kindness. Please place your donations in the offering plate as it's passed.



Birthdays this week

Nov 10 Ana Estrada
 Nov 11 Cheryl Guion, John Markgraf, Dan Sattler
 Nov 12 Margo Johnson
 Nov 14 Jennifer Carlson
 Nov 16 Doug Schaaf

Anniversaries this week

Nov 10 Dan and Paula Sattler

Remember in Prayer



Mission Field:

- Pastor Park, missionary to Taiwan, requests our prayers for unity among Christians in Taiwan

Blessings and Thanksgiving:

- For successful conferences Nov. 5 and 7, allowing parents and teachers to work together on behalf of TLO School students

Those with Health Concerns:

Dealing with cancer and treatment:

- Avianna, young niece, Chelsea Cardenas

Hospitalized, in rehab, or on hospice

- Char Timm, moved to Heritage Place, Room #105, 3434 Heritage Dr., Edina MN 55355
- Jeff Schaaf, recovering after a stroke and a fall
- Billy D. Swain, in transition at Walker Methodist (WSP), grateful no surgery was needed

Dealing with health concerns:

- Eddie Burdick's genetic brain disease is progressing, and symptoms are worsening
- Dixie Cliff
- Teresa Dornseif, sister-in-law of Alice, recovering from ankle reconstruction surgery
- Gloria, Jim Kohn's sister-in-law, continued prayers as she goes through chemo
- Silas Kohn, undergoing treatment for LCH until August 2025
- Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns
- Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, autoimmune liver issues
- David Nystrom - godson of Alice - recovering at home
- Sharon Phelps, mom of Cindy Rahn, recovering after a fall
- Sally Pieper, recovering at home after surgery
- Joanie Wachter, recovering after knee replacement surgery

For those who mourn

- The family and friends of Richard Schuldt, brother-in-law to Alice Dornseif, whose memorial service was November 2

Ongoing Prayers

- For our members and friends in care facilities or homebound
+ Donine Leatherby
- Ryan Kroonblawd - 2nd Year Seminarian - Concordia Seminary - St. Louis, MO



Our weekly memory verse:

Psalm 1 teaches us to meditate on God's Word day and night. The LCMS invites everyone to memorize a verse together each week. Let's memorize!

*It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. **Romans 4:24-25***



Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to our pastor, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

For those with small children, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children’s bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

Restrooms are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.



Join us this Thanksgiving!

You’re invited for a special service this Thanksgiving, acknowledging that living a life of gratitude to God is good for us physically, mentally and spiritually. Join us!

Thanksgiving Eve

November 27 | 6:30*pm

**livestreamed at trinityloneoak.org*

Thanksgiving Day

November 28 | 9:00am



TLO is hosting a food drive through the month of November to help stock The Open Door, a food shelf that supports the Dakota County area. The Open Door is the first call for unemployed, people experiencing homelessness, seniors on a fixed-income, and low-income families with young children—all in need of healthy food support. Collection bins are at church and school entrances.

Do you need support from The Open Door or want to learn more? Visit theopendoorpantry.org.



You are warmly welcomed to Moms in Prayer

TLO’s Moms In Prayer group prays for our own children, TLO students and staff, and Trinity Lone Oak as a whole. The group meets the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Sunday. Join us for an upcoming session!

- Tuesday, November 12 | 6:30pm | TLO Conference Room
- Sunday, November 24 | 9:15am | TLO Music Room
- Tuesday, December 10 | 6:30pm | TLO Conference Room

Contact Jean Peterson, Moms in Prayer Coordinator at 651-785-7524 for more info.