



2nd in the series "Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?"

**AS WE GATHER**

Faith in Christ Jesus is not one way of salvation among many. The Scriptures declare Jesus is *the Way, the Truth and the Life*. There are not many avenues to heaven. Religious pluralism removes the exclusivity of the Gospel truth that Jesus is the one way to eternal life. Universalists will claim all roads lead to heaven. The Word of God is, only God's loving sacrifice for sin in Christ Jesus is able to fulfill the law that we may be saved through Him.

**OPENING HYMN****HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION****LSB 728, vs. 1–3, 5****\*INVOCATION**

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

**\*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**

- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

- P Since we are gathered to have our faith strengthened by hearing God's Word and by receiving our Lord's body and blood in the fellowship of this altar, but cannot come before God in our sinful condition, let us seek His infinite mercy and ask our heavenly Father's forgiveness.

- C **Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive the weakness of our faith and our many sins, and restore us to fellowship with You and one another, now and forever.**

- P In Holy Baptism our heavenly Father declared us to be His children and united us to His Son, by whose death and resurrection all our sins are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

- C **Amen.**

**\*KYRIE**

- C **Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**\*SALUTATION**

- P The Lord be with you.  
C **And also with you.**

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need,  
C **continue to preserve Your church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace;**  
P for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
C **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 50:4–10*

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of those who are taught,  
that I may know how to sustain with a word  
him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;  
he awakens my ear  
to hear as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious;  
I turned not backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who strike,  
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;  
I hid not my face  
from disgrace and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>But the Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like a flint,

and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

<sup>8</sup>He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

<sup>9</sup>Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;  
the moth will eat them up.

<sup>10</sup>Who among you fears the LORD  
and obeys the voice of his servant?

Let him who walks in darkness  
and has no light  
trust in the name of the LORD  
and rely on his God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

*James 3:1–12*

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. <sup>4</sup>Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs.

<sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup>but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things

ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### \*VERSE

*Mark 9:23b*

- P Alleluia. All things are possible
- C **for one who believes. Alleluia.**

### \*HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 9:14–29*

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.
- C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. <sup>15</sup>And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. <sup>16</sup>And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" <sup>17</sup>And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. <sup>18</sup>And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." <sup>19</sup>And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." <sup>20</sup>And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. <sup>21</sup>And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. <sup>22</sup>And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." <sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." <sup>24</sup>Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" <sup>25</sup>And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." <sup>26</sup>And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." <sup>27</sup>But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. <sup>28</sup>And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" <sup>29</sup>And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## SERMON HYMN

## O GOD, MY FAITHFUL GOD

**LSB 696, vs. 1, 2, 4, 6**

## SERMON WILL THE REAL JESUS PLEASE STAND UP? THE OPTION AMONG MANY

\***NICENE CREED**—see *projection screens or inside back cover of pew hymnal*

## \*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Psalm 116:1–2, 5, 7–9*

P Let us pray for ourselves, the church around the world, and all people in their various conditions.  
Today's Psalm is the response of a trusting person, confident that God has heard the prayer.

Be present, Lord our God, wherever wars rage and governments fail, where homelessness and disease are rampant, and where the poor are forgotten.

C **I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

P Guard, defend, and give wisdom to all who go into harm's way to do battle against foreign enemies and in emergencies here at home. Use medical personnel and caring neighbors to bring about health and healing.

C **Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.**

P Provide faith-filled leaders and followers to proclaim the Gospel, serve You with the gifts You have given them, and care for the needs of people around the world.

C **Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.**

P Be with all who tend flocks, raise harvests, and distribute food so that many may be fed.

C **Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.**

P Visit, relieve, and console those who are sick or in mourning, [*including . . .*], according to Your gracious plans for them.

C **For You have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**

P These and any other things You see that we need, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living. Amen.**

## OFFERING

### \*PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### \*PROPER PREFACE

\***SANCTUS**—*sung; tune LSB 178*

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### \*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

## \*PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.  
C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**  
P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father... So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## \*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.**

## \*PAX DOMINI

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **Amen.**

## \*AGNUS DEI—*sung; tune LSB 180*

**DISTRIBUTION** Distribution is at the rail, with both common cup and individual cup; de-alcoholized wine in center of tray. Gluten free wafers available by signifying to pastor/elder. Please use the pew cards to register your attendance at Holy Communion.

**HYMN** **THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR** **LSB 619**

**HYMN** **JESUS HAS COME, AND BRINGS PLEASURE ETERNAL** **LSB 533**

## \*NUNC DIMITTIS—*sung; tune LSB 182*

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

## \*BENEDICTION

**HYMN TO DEPART** **O JESUS, KING MOST WONDERFUL** **LSB 554**

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## Serving our Lord

		September 15, 2024	September 22, 2024
Musician		Merlin Simon	Diane Streich
Cantor		Dave Workman	Open
Altar Guild		Roxanne and Gary Foley	Roxanne and Gary Foley
Elder	8am	Rob Orr	Andy Olson and Sam Erdman
	10:30am	Open	Kurt Vallin
Reader	8am	Rob Orr	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Tim Morris	Kurt Vallin
Usher Team	8am	Layne Streich	Gary Sheets
	10:30am	Terry Stoerzinger	Ben Swenson
Greeter(s)	8am	Pam Burdick	Open
	10:30am	Lynn Kroonblawd	Open
Acolyte(s)	8am	Sophia Orr	Open
	10:30am	Open	Dana Vallin
Projectionist	8am	Jean Peterson	Open
	10:30am	Tim Morris	Open
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	Open	LWML



### **Welcome Pinky Seeman, TLO Youth Director**

The TLO Church Council is pleased to announce Pinky Seeman has accepted the part-time position of Youth Director that was approved in the 2024-2025 Budget. Pinky has invited all grade 7-12 students to attend an informational meeting Wednesday, September 18 from 6-8pm to hear about all the exciting new events and activities planned for this year. We praise the Lord that Pinky will be serving our congregation's youth and pray the Lord will bless her service.



### **Sunday Morning Coffee Hour**

TLO is seeking volunteers to host coffee on Sunday mornings during the Bible study hour. Contact the church office to sign up!

<b>COMING UP AT TLO — September 15, 2024 — September 22, 2024</b>		
<b>SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>		
Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	12:30am	Peniel Evengelical Church
	4:00pm	Ultimate Frisbee with potluck to follow
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible class
	6:30pm	Trail Life Troop 2950
Tue	10:30am	TLO leads worship at Lexington Pointe Senior Living
	5:30pm	Board of Christian Outreach
	7:00pm	TLO Church Council
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
	6:00pm	Youth information meeting for all grade 7-12 students
Thur	6:00pm	Peniel event
	7:00pm	B.R.E.W Young Adult Ministry
Fri	9:00am	WoW Bible study
Sat	8:00am	LWML Board Meeting
	2:00pm	Peniel events
<b>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>		
Sun	8:00*am	Worship
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	9:15am	Moms in Prayer
	10:30am	Worship with preschool through grade 8 students singing
	11:45am	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
	12:30am	Peniel Evengelical Church
*worship online at <a href="http://www.trinityloneoak.org">www.trinityloneoak.org</a>		



### **Ultimate Frisbee at TLO**

Sunday, September 15 | 4:00pm | TLO Field

Ultimate Frisbee for all ages and experience at TLO today, Sunday, September 15. We'll warm up, talk strategy and then scrimmage. This last-of-the-season frisbee event is being followed by a potluck. Come for the frisbee—stay for the food!





# Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church Voters' Meeting Agenda

Sept. 22, 2024 | 11:45am | TLO Gym



Call to Order

Open Meeting with Prayer

Review and Approve Voters' Meeting Minutes from May 19, 2024

## Board and Officer Reports

*Written reports will be available on Sunday, September 22 in the gym. Please review the reports and ask questions at the meeting.*

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

## Old Business

- The Fire Alarm System has been upgraded and switched over from Johnson Controls to USA Connect

## New Business

- Presentation on creation of a Life Team at TLO – Nim Traeger
- LCMS Together In Mission (TIM) Program sponsorship proposal
  - To consider a missionary support sponsorship of Rev. Dr. Thomas Park

## Board and Officer Nominations and Elections

Board of Elders – 3 open	Board of Worship - Chair
Board of Christian Ed – 1 open	Board of Social Min – Cindy Rahn
Board of Stewardship – Chair	Board of Endowment – Chair + 1

New Members signing of Constitution

Motion to adjourn

Close with prayer

## Mark your calendar for future Voters' Meeting!

- November 17 at 11:45 a.m.



## Birthdays this week

Sept 15 Jenna Arnold  
 Sept 20 Liz Flannery, Cindy Rahn, Jill Shockley  
 Sept 21 Thea Rossmann, Evelyn Sattler, Erin Turnmire

**WEEKLY DEPOSITS: September 8, 2024**

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	7,503.10
	(Our offering budget is \$9,330 per week)		
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	145.00
	(Our offering budget is \$675 for per week)		
	Tuition	\$	28,257.43
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	115.25
	Chapel offerings - supporting Rev. Tom Park in Taiwan	\$	29.00
	Sunday school - supporting Rev. Tom Park in Taiwan	\$	100.75
	Church and school fees	\$	4,975.11
	<b>Subtotal General Fund Income</b>	\$	<b>41,125.64</b>
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	185.30
	Fire Alarm System Replacement	\$	N/A
	Concordia Fund - supporting TLO members attending a Concordia	\$	N/A
	Acorn Scholarship Fund - supporting TLO School student tuition	\$	N/A
	<b>Subtotal Special Fund Income</b>	\$	<b>185.30</b>



Amnion Pregnancy Center has some needs to bring to your attention.

Size 4 diapers, Baby wipe, Nurse (job description at helpofferhope.org )

Thanks for helping us meet these needs. God bless you!



**Advancing School Choice in Minnesota with Corey DeAngelis  
September 20, 2024  
Minnehaha Academy, 3100 W River Parkway, Minneapolis**

For two years in a row, only 49.9% of Minnesota’s public school students are proficient in reading. Polling consistently shows around 75% of American parents want School Choice with Education Savings Accounts (ESAs). Currently, nearly 20 states have already established School Choice. Learn why school choice is sweeping the nation, how each Minnesota student could receive \$7,000 to attend any school of choice, and what you can do to establish ESAs in our state. Full details and ticket information on the flier in the narthex.

## Remember in Prayer

### Mission Field:

- For all missionaries, that God would remind all who share His Word to speak with compassion, giving them faithfulness and honesty in their teaching



### Blessings and Thanksgiving:

- Successful cross country meet hosted at Trinity Lone Oak September 6

### Those With Health Concerns:

Dealing with cancer and treatment:

- Avianna, young niece of Chelsea Cardenas
- Joyce (Kirchner) Moynihan, friend of Terry and Helen Stoerzinger
- Jill Olson, granddaughter of Roger and Lois Schaaf
- Dick Schultz - friend of Alice

Hospitalized, in rehab, or on hospice

- Alice Dornseif, moved to The Deerfield, 575 Hospital Rd., New Richmond, WI 54017
- Char Timm, Presbyterian Homes, 9889 Penn Ave S, #212, Bloomington, MN 55431
- Laverne Ziebell, father of Karen Turmire, recovering at Langton (part of Pres. Homes, Roseville)

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, recovering from surgery and in need of our prayers
- 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, moved to Rosemount
- Sally Pieper, recovering at home after surgery
- Russ Starksen, grandfather of Henley Starksen, on hospice at home

### Ongoing Prayers

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



**Thank you** for all the prayers and cards during this time. My mother is with God and Jesus along with family members and friends. My father is now recovering at Langton, part of Presbyterian Homes in Roseville. —Karen Turmire. *Eccl. 1:18 "For with much wisdom comes much sorrow; the more knowledge, the more grief."*



### Weekly memory verse

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 2 Cor. 12:9



## 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.

**Today we celebrate Holy Communion.** Please speak with our pastor or an elder before communing if this is your first time receiving the Lord's Supper at TLO. The light-colored wine in the center of the individual communion tray is de-alcoholized wine, where the alcohol is reduced to .05%.

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**Amnion Pregnancy Center Gala**  
**Friday, October 25 - 6pm**  
**Brackett's Crossing Country Club, Lakeville**

You are invited for an encouraging evening to hear what God has been doing in the lives of those experiencing an unplanned pregnancy! Doors open at 6pm with dinner at 6:30pm. Because seating is limited, reservations by **Oct. 1** are required. Adults only, please. An opportunity for a financial faith promise investment will be provided. Complimentary parking available. Please text/call **Connie Kohn (651-235-8477)** or **Lynn Kroonblawd (651-235-8259)** if you would like to be seated with other TLO members at the Gala. Come and hear how God's love and hope break through seemingly hopeless situations!