



*He is like a tree
planted by streams of water...*

Psalm 1:3

We are Always of Good Courage

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AS WE GATHER

Once again, the Word of God in our ears this day speaks of the glorious and happy goal that God's salvation promises to all who believe in His saving mercy, grace, and love. From of old, the Lord has promised a secure future in His presence both now and especially in the eternity of life in the resurrection. Though we experience the weakness and maybe even dread of growing old, by faith we are like firm trees planted by the strength of God. That faith is the very creation of God the Holy Spirit, which grows and remains strong regardless of our circumstances. So even though we become discouraged at times, our confidence is always renewed by God as we remain steadfast in connection with His mighty Word.

OPENING HYMN**RENEW ME, O ETERNAL LIGHT****LSB 704*****INVOCATION**

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

OPENING SENTENCES2 Corinthians 5:1; Psalm 1:1–2*

- P We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God,
C **a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.**
- P Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, . . .
C **but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night.**

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P Let us prepare to receive God's strengthening of our faith this day as we confess our weakness and sin.
C **Merciful God, we confess to You our discouragements; all our sins of thought, word, and deed; and the inward groaning of our souls. For the sake of Your Son's own bitter suffering and death on behalf of all, grant us forgiveness and the strength of renewed faith that we may live today as joyful citizens of heaven.**
- P You are the planting and the harvest of the Lord. 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**—*sung, tune LSB 204*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**—*sung, tune LSB 204*

*SALUTATION

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

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 17:22–24

²²Thus says the Lord GOD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

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

PSALMODY

Psalm 1; antiphon v. 6

- C **For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

- A Blessed is the man
 who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
 nor stands in the way of sinners,
 nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law of the Lord,
 and on His law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree
 planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
 and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.
The wicked are not so,
 but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
 nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
 but the way of the wicked will perish.

- C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:1–17

¹We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹¹Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*VERSE

2 Peter 3:18a

C **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia!

*HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:26–34

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

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

²⁶[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

³⁰And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth,

³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

***NICENE CREED**—*See slides or inside back cover of the pew hymnal*

SERMON HYMN

OH, THAT I HAD A THOUSAND VOICES

LSB 811

SERMON

WE ARE ALWAYS OF GOOD COURAGE

OFFERING

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

After our petitions:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

***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 208*

***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**—*See slides or inside back cover of the pew hymnal*

***PAX DOMINI**

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

***AGNUS DEI**—*sung, tune LSB 210*

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	WE WALK BY FAITH AND NOT BY SIGHT	LSB 720
HYMN	I AM TRUSTING THEE, LORD JESUS	LSB 729
HYMN	FOR ME TO LIVE IS JESUS	LSB 742

***NUNC DIMITTIS**—*sung, tune LSB 211*

***POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

***BENEDICTION**

*HYMN TO DEPART	ALMIGHTY FATHER, BLESS THE WORD	LSB 923
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Serving our Lord

	June 16, 2024	June 23, 2024
Musician	Marsha Workman	Diane Streich
Cantor	Dave Workman	Dave Workman
Altar Guild	Connie Kohn and Nancy Nord	Connie Kohn and Nancy Nord
Elder	Kurt Vallin	Kurt Vallin
Reader	Kurt Vallin	Andy Olson
Usher Team	Andy Olson and Jon Peterson	Sam Erdman and Open
Greeter(s)	Open	Carolyn Wesling
Acolyte(s)	Dana Vallin, Sabontu Benya	Dana Vallin, Lily Olander
Projection	Jean Peterson	Chris Martin
Live Stream	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas

COMING UP AT TLO — June 16, 2024 — June 23, 2024		
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST		
Sun	9:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15am	Adult Bible Class
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
Monday - Friday		VBS at TLO — Celebrate the Savior!
Mon	6:30pm	Trail Life Troop 2950
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
Thur	6:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities
	6:30pm	Board of Christian Education
	7:00pm	B.R.E.W. Young Adult Ministry
Sat	2:00-8:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST		
Sun	9:00*am	Worship w/ HC , VBS wrap up, and installation of officers
	10:15am	Adult Bible Class and Moms in Prayer
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
*worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org		



New Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study

We are beginning a study of Romans with commentary by Martin Luther. Luther's commentary is very verbose and can be intimidating. However, the book, Reading Romans with Luther, allows us to step into his writings and teachings that call us to return to the pure gospel message of "grace alone" through "faith alone." It offers highlights from Luther's commentary and further explains how these themes are relevant to our lives today. Men, come join us Wednesday mornings at 6:30am.



The winner of this year's Wayne Coburn Award is Gary Sheets

Gary is the embodiment of the Bible verse "Let your light so shine before men, *that they may see your good works*, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matt. 5:16.

Gary has a humble spirit as he serves behind the scenes in maintaining the TLO Church and School building. He is at the church and school numerous times a week repairing anything and everything that needs repairing. Painting walls, cleaning the gym floor, changing light bulbs, shoveling snow are just a few of the things we see Gary working on during the week and there are many more that we don't see. Gary has generously committed much time and energy to the ministry at TLO. He regularly attends church and Bible study, is always willing to serve as an usher and is also a member of the TLO Quilters. He does all this in his quiet manner, not expecting any recognition. God has truly blessed TLO Church and School through Gary's humble service. Thank you to Gary for letting God's light shine through you!



More Josephs, Please

I'd be happy with another Samson to rout the Philistines, another David to slay Goliath. I can think of more than a few places where I'd like Joshua to march around seven times. But what we really need is more Josephs.

Our own hymnal calls him Joseph the Guardian. But, really, he was more than that. He was to Jesus a true father, to Mary a true husband. Depictions of Joseph as an old man do him a disservice. The Bible teaches us that Jesus had brothers, including James, Jude, and Simon. Sisters too. To all these, and Jesus as well, Joseph was provider, protector, and model. He loved Mary as his wife. And Jesus was known as the carpenter's son, even as another identity would later be revealed in the Jordan River.

The world, of course, hates Joseph, because the world hates the One Joseph provided for. If the world loved Joseph, the world would love natural marriage, would love the family. If the world loved Joseph, it would do everything it could to make sure that every child had mom and a dad. If the world loved Joseph, it would do everything it could, like Joseph did, to preserve the lives of our littlest children. Yes, Jesus was the only begotten Son of God from all eternity. But then He became one of us, was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of Mary, and was given an earthly father, and then a family of brothers and sisters. In the mystery of the Incarnation, even God's Son needed a Joseph.

How much more are the children of our age in need? What is the leading indicator of just about everything bad? The lack of a father, that is to say a Joseph, in the home. Will the neighborhood be safe? Get more Josephs? Would Christians like their children to grow up and stay in church? Well, for that, there's a Joseph. A guardian against the thugs? Joseph. Someone who may even whisk a family away from tyranny, knowing that the family takes precedence over the state? Joseph.

So sure, I'll take a Gideon, a Samson, or a David. Throw in a Solomon, a Joshua, and a Moses. Better yet, give me millions of Josephs.

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Join the fun!

TLO friends, families and neighbors, join in some fun, active get togethers this summer whether it's sunny or cloudy! Bring along your water.



Playground playdates

Sunday, June 30	4:00-5:30/6:00pm	TLO playground
Sunday, July 14	4:00-5:30pm	Rich Valley Park
Sunday, August 11	4:00-5:00/5:30pm	Eagan Community Center splash pad & playground



Ultimate Frisbee for all ages and experience at TLO

Sunday, June 30	4:00-6:00pm	TLO Field
Sunday, July 21	4:00-6:00pm	TLO Field
Monday, August 19	4:00-6:00pm	TLO Field

We'll warm up, talk strategy and then scrimmage.



Help Us Organize and Manage Our Membership Information

The following is some of the information we would like to receive from our members in order to better manage our records and keep you informed:

- Any recent or soon to be address changes
- If you know someone who is NOT getting the TLO Together weekly eNews, have them send their email address to the church office office@trinityloneoak.org.
- Any permanent addresses of adult children who are still on our membership list—if married, wedding date/spouse's name (Adult children with permanent addresses will be put into their own households. If your adult child is a college student and does not have a permanent address, he/she will remain listed under you until his/her circumstance changes, at which time the office should be notified.)
- If your adult child has joined another church and we still have him/her listed as a member (if you do not know your adult child's membership status with Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church, please contact the church office).
- If there has been a divorce and mailings should be addressed differently.

Please contact the church office with this information. The office must hear directly from an immediate family member or the member.

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: June 9, 2024

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	11,486.00
	(Our offering budget is \$8,525 per week)		
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	1,460.15
	(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)		
	Sunday school	\$	14.00
	Tuition	\$	12,042.64
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	4,000.00
	1883 School Annual Fund in memory of Helen Peter		50.00
	Parking Lot fund	\$	2,050.00
	Fire alarm fund in memory of Helen Peter		25.00
	VBS		50.00
	Church and school fees	\$	4,328.97
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	35,506.76
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	360.45
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	25.00
	Acorn Scholarship Fund in memory of Helen Peter	\$	120.00
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	505.45



Birthdays this week

- June 18 Brooks Grimm, Marsha Workman
- June 19 Brian Nack
- June 20 Lucille Weckop
- June 21 Alicia Forthun
- June 22 Maggie Martin

Anniversary this week

- June 13 Pam and Eddie Burdick
- June 17 Michelle and Greg Nadeau
- June 18 Jim and Kym Howe
- June 19 Michael and Jackie Holey
- June 20 Melissa and Willie Washington
- June 21 Heidi and Solomon Gould
- June 22 Ben and Katie Vallin



Remember in Prayer

Avianna, young niece of Chelsea Cardenas, battling cancer
Eddie Burdick's genetic brain disease is progressing, and symptoms are worsening
Dixie Cliff
Gerry Groth, strength in recovery
Dan Kohn, brother of Jim, recovery after surgery
Jim Kohn's sister-in-law, Gloria, prayers for recovery after surgery
Larry Flannery, prayers for strength with medical conditions
Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns
Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, continue prayers for resolution of autoimmune liver issues
Joyce (Kirchner) Moynihan, diagnosed with cancer
Jill Olson, granddaughter of Roger and Lois Schaaf, undergoing treatment for breast cancer
Sharon Phelps, mom of Cindy Rahn
Sally Pieper, recovering after surgery
Ron and Denise, close friends of Char as Ron recovers pelvis and broken femur
Former TLO staff member Curt Stoltenow will be starting a 5-week round of radiation treatments
Billy D. Swain, facing decisions on medical care
Stuart Weierke placed on hospice at the Minneapolis VA Home
Beverly Ziebell, mom of Karen Turmire, hospitalized after a fall and awaiting transfer to nursing home.
Continued prayers for Karen's dad, LaVerne, please, as he deals with his wife's transition



Weekly memory verse

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. Col. 3:23-24



The flowers on the altar are given by Faith and Pete Jonas. In memory of Pete's father, Marvin A Jonas (b. 1925, d. 2018) WWII veteran. And in honor of Faith's father, Wilbur C Franzmeier (b. 1926) retired Lutheran pastor. Blessings to men and boys of all ages who have been kind, caring, and nurturing in their families.



Dear Lord, in every age, You have inspired men to labor, with hearts united, in Your kingdom. Continue to grant the men of this congregation and everywhere, faithfulness in serving You and upholding the truth of Your Word that they may respond to Your redeeming love in Jesus by devoting themselves to seeking and doing Your holy will and following in the footsteps of our Lord. – LSB 306



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%.

20 Year TLO Anniversary Celebration for Pastor Kroonblawd July 14 – following worship



Come celebrate Pastor Kroonblawd's 20-year Anniversary of serving at TLO and the blessings that God has provided us through Pastor's ministry. It was in July 2004 when he began his call to serve at Trinity Lone Oak as Senior Pastor. Cake and coffee will be served and there will be a basket if you desire to bring a card with a personal message for Pastor.

