

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

July 26, 2026



**[Jesus said] “Not everyone who
says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will
enter the kingdom of heaven, but
the one who does the will of my
Father who is in heaven.”**

(Matthew 7:21 ESV)

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Many members. One body united in Christ.

Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

The Lord's Supper is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

Beware of False Prophets

"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves" (Matt. 7:15). Deceit has its strength in masquerading as the truth. False prophets speak a vision of their own heart, not from the mouth of the Lord (Jer. 23:16–29). They deny the judgment of the Lord, speaking peace to the unrepentant, when in truth there is condemnation and wrath. *"You will recognize them by their fruits"* (Matt. 7:20). The *"fruits"* of a true prophet are not outward righteousness or success but faithfulness in proclaiming the Word of the Lord. This is the will of the Father in heaven, that pastors take heed to the flock, the Father's adopted ones (Rom. 8:12–17), warning them against the wolves and their lies, and shepherding the Church of God which He purchased with His own blood (Acts 20:27–38). For indeed, the cross is that good tree bearing good fruit—namely, the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by David and Ellen Horn in thanksgiving and celebration of the birthday of their grandson, Leland.

Join in the discussion! Everyone is encouraged to attend this Summer's Family Bible Class (Sundays at 11:15 am)! It's a unique and thought-provoking hour during which Pastor answers your most burning Biblical and theological questions.

Lutheran Singles (LCMS members, ages 19-35) Mixer UPDATE! We have had to change the location of this event, due to the unexpected closure of the original venue. We will now be having it at the Historic Saigling House by downtown Plano (902 E 16th St). Consequently, we have also had to change the date of the event to Saturday, August 15. Everything else, including the time (6-8pm), is the same. The deadline to register is TODAY, July 26. Register at this link: [evite](#).

The August through November Meditations Daily Devotional is now available to be picked up. Both large print and the pocket-size editions can be found on the long table in the narthex.

Educating a new generation of Lutherans... Issues, Etc. is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent show topics include: Pope Leo's Encyclical on Artificial Intelligence, The Lord's Prayer in Lutheran Worship, A Lutheran View of the Scholastics, The Population Bust and more. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](#), the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

Jeremiah 23:17 – “They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come

upon you.” Jeremiah’s day sounds a lot like our own, with self-appointed prophets in the popular media telling people exactly what they want to hear. But preachers of the true Word of the Lord do us the sometimes-difficult favor of telling us *what is actually true*. And that often challenges us, shows us our sins and calls us to repentance.

UPCOMING WEEK’S EVENTS

SUNDAY	<i>The Eighth Sunday after Trinity</i>
07/26/26	9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Family Bible Class
TUESDAY	9:30 AM – Women’s Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	<i>Mary, Martha, Lazarus of Bethany</i>
THURSDAY	<i>Robert Barnes, Confessor and Martyr</i> 9:00 AM – Men’s Bible Study
FRIDAY	<i>Joseph of Arimathea</i> 9:30 AM – Matins 10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
SUNDAY	<i>The Ninth Sunday after Trinity</i>
08/02/26	9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Family Bible Class

Ushers next week: Winston Tiro, Volunteer needed

Acolyte: Will Wueller

PRAYERS

- For all who serve in public safety as police officers, firefighters, and paramedics, that God would protect them, give them courage in danger, and grant them wisdom as they perform their duties, especially Josh Needman, Joshan Savage (police officers), Joe Krizan (firefighter and paramedic), and Elisabeth Handgraaf, Jonah Underwood (paramedics).
- Baptism birthdays celebrated this week: Tabitha Rose (30), Gail Seller (31), Pete Kun (Aug 1).

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- Thanksgiving for the work of our Synod and God's continued blessing upon her faithfulness to His Word and the Lutheran Confessions.
- Brad Lowery and his LAMP group who are traveling to Lynn Lake and Brochet Canada to offer VBS to children in those towns.
- Emma Cassanova, Ellie Pollux (Alissa Ulmer's cousin), and Leah Savage for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Reagan Armstrong, preparing for surgery this week.
- Judy Michels, preparing for surgery this week.
- Those who are undergoing cancer treatments: Doug Drawe, Dana Evans, Robin Wildauer, Leigh R., Sandra Zastrow, Kyle, Randy Cooper.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: JE Purcell, Dony Reaves, Stephanie, Tibor Kun, Diego Martinez, Joseph Horte, Will, Lance, Mary, Ina, Suzie, Julie, Dakota, John Ulmer, Braden, Adeline.
- Those experiencing other types of challenges: Greg Sims, Andrew Fischer, Marc Schwiesow.

Assisting in the Divine Service Today:

Elder – Jeff Ellis

Altar Duty – Patti Ellis

Organist: Sebastian Saltanis

Ushers: Tim Sheehan, Greg Sims

Acolyte: Kyler Mallon

7/19/26 General Fund Offerings received: \$7,739.36

Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$5.00

Weekly budget needed: \$4,795.46

Budget year to date: surplus: **\$3,272.48**