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### September 4, 2022

13th Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 1; Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 14:25-35 "God's People of Salt" – Sermon Text: Luke 14:34a – Rev. Walter Maier III

### <u>September 11, 2022</u>

14th Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 119:169-176; Ezekiel 34:11-24; Luke 15:1-10 "The Seeking of the Shepherd" – Sermon Text: Luke 15:4-5 – Rev. Thomas A. Eggold

### **September 18, 2022**

15th Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 113; Amos 8:4-7; Luke 16:1-15 "Shrewd Faith" – Sermon Text: Luke 16:15b – Rev. Shayne M. Jonker

## **September 25, 2022**

16th Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 146; Amos 6:1-7; Luke 16:19-31 "Focus on Christ" – Sermon Text: Luke 16:19-31 – Rev. Paul E. Shoemaker

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During the month of August, the following people were in the hospital, had surgery, recovering at home or our shut-ins — KATHY COOMER, RAY LAUGHBAUM, JOE OPPEE, DIANA DUNKELBARGER, PAM DAY, GARY GANN, KAREN WATHEN, AL ARENDT, GLORIA ARENDT, ARLENE HARTMANN, DON KECK, ALICE KECK, NEAL WATHEN and HELEN MARIE WORTMANN.

<b>CHURCH ATTENDANCE</b>		<b>BIBLE CLASS</b>
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# WHAT'S COMING UP

<u>NEWSLETTER ITEMS</u>: If you have an item for the monthly newsletter it must be in no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month! Nothing will be accepted after business hours on the 20<sup>th</sup>. You can also submit items by emailing them to: <u>trisha@tldarm.org</u>

<u>BIBLE CLASS</u>: In September, **PASTOR TEMME'S** Class will continue the study of the Gospel of Luke of Jesus healing a centurion's servant, raising a widows son, and encouraging John the Baptist. **ALAN LETTERMAN'S** Class is studying the book of Daniel.

**CHURCH WORK DAY**: In preparation for fall events, a work day on Saturday, Sept 10 is planned to clean the inside and outside of the church. Cleaning supplies for the inside will be supplied. If you would like to help with the outside, bring a leaf rake and/or a broom. Donuts and coffee will be provided for an 8:00 AM start. With a good crew, we can be finished in a couple of hours. Any questions, contact Alan Letterman 812-459-3005 or the church office.

<u>HERITAGE SUNDAY</u> –In celebration of our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary, please join us for our Heritage Sunday on September 18<sup>th</sup> with guest preacher and speaker **REV. DR. LAWRENCE RAST**, president of Concordia Theological Seminary. As we need a headcount for the free catered dinner from the Bauerhaus, please be sure to sign up in the narthex or call the church office at 867-5279 to make your reservation by **September 9**<sup>th</sup>.

**YOUTH GROUP**: **MIKE & KULA WATHEN** have invited our youth group and members of our congregation to their home at 12014 W. 700 S., Owensville, on Sunday, September 11. We will see the largest privately owned fish tank in Indiana, a menagerie of animals and landscape, and a life size cross mounted high in the sky. We will have lunch at church after Bible class and then meet at their home around 1:00PM.

**GOLF SCRAMBLE**: The members of St Peter Lutheran Church in Vincennes is hosting a Golf Scramble on Saturday, September 10 in celebration of Rev Nathan and Barbara Rastl. This is for their 25 years of tending to the flock at St Peters. The scramble will be held at High Pointe Golf Club in Bicknell. There is more information on the bulletin board by the Church Office.

<u>HANDBELLS</u>: I would like to extend a special invitation to all members that love to hear the Handbells play in church, to join our choir and play! We have been playing with two octave bells and we have five octaves sitting in cases not being used!! I would be glad to give you a lesson or two and that is all you need. (being able to read a little music helps) If you are interested in playing, new members and current members, please text or call **PAULA REININGA** at 812 483 5988. We will plan on starting practice September 22, on Thursday night at 6:30 PM.

<u>MOMS IN PRAYER</u> is an international support group (momsinprayer.org) for women to gather in small groups (in person or on Zoom) and pray Scripture for children and their schools. Moms, aunts, grandmas, sisters, and friends can pray for a child of any age. The format for each prayer meeting uses **ACTS** – Adoration, silent Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication. A prayer sheet with theme Bible verses for each month is used to pray Scripture during Adoration and Supplication. If you are interested in being a part of this women's ministry at Trinity, contact Linda Temme. We can meet in person or on Zoom **once a month** for 1 hour in small groups of 2 to 5 ladies. Dates and times are flexible.

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH REUNION**: There will be a Zion Lutheran Church Reunion on Sunday, September 18 at Zoar Church Road in Elberfeld. Dinner will be served at Noon with a catered meal provided by Thrivent. Drinks and tableware will also be provided. A free-will donation will be taken for the Zion Cemetery Fund. The program will be provided by Youth Group Experiences. For reservations, call **MARGARET PFENDER**, 812/484-6017.

#### **PRESCHOOL**

Let the preschool help you with dinner. We are selling a take and bake meal from P Fresh Kitchen. The meal includes cheese tortellini & grilled chicken, salad & ranch, a side of broccoli, breadsticks, and chocolate chip cookies.

A small (feeds 3-4) is \$35, a medium (feeds 5-6) is \$42, and a large (feeds 6-8) is \$48. Orders and payment are due by September 2. Meals will be ready to pick up Tuesday September 13. The preschool will earn 20% of each order.

This year the preschool is blessed with 35 students and a full staff. We are thankful for the blessings God has provided for us.

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS ON WORSHIP ANEW: Dear friends of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, I would like to thank Laureen Baggett (Trinity Lutheran- Evansville), and Jewels Mominee of Mominee Studios Inc. Evansville, IN <a href="https://www.momineestudios.com/">https://www.momineestudios.com/</a> for the gift of the Trinity Lutheran Stained-Glass windows. These windows were extracted during the week of June 8 through June 11, 2022. They will be used in service on the campus of Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana and the home of Worship Anew. Worship Anew (Formerly known as Worship for Shutlns), continues to broadcast nationwide on DirectTV Channel 377 (TCT Network 10:30 Central Time), world-wide on The American Forces Network TV, and on-line at <a href="https://www.worshipAnew.org">www.worshipAnew.org</a>. These stained-glass windows will be restored to their original beauty and continue to reflect God's love of care and compassion. The Martin Luther window will be used in the main entrance, Atrium area, greeting

visitors to our International offices. The Jesus window, Angel Window, and Jesus Knocking at the Door window, will be used in the Studio, as choirs sing Lutheran hymns on the choir risers In front of the Jesus Window and side panels. Here is a list of scheduled appearances (to include Drone footage and Stained-Glass windows) on Worship Anew.

October 2, 2022 Immanuel-Volkman Road Evansville, IN

October 09, 2022 Our Redeemer-Evansville (w/University of Evansville in background)

October 16, 2022 Trinity-Darmstadt Evansville, IN

Paul Melin - Caption Media Program Director, Lutheran Ministries Media, Inc.

HIGHER THINGS is excited to announce the 2023 summer conference theme on apologetics, Beyond Reasonable Doubt, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, July 18-21 and Trinity University, San Antonio, July 25-18. www.higherthings.org "And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." (1 Cor. 15:14)

## **LWML COLLECTION**

The LWML will be collecting items for Orphan Grain Train for their Disaster Relief Kits. They will be collecting the following: Liquid Cleaner (like Pine Sol), Powder Cleaner (like Comet), Window Cleaner in spray bottles, Scrub Brushes, Large Sponges, Heavy duty Latex or Vinyl Gloves, Handy Wipes, Paper Towels, Brooms, Mops, Dust Pans w/Brush. If you would like to donate to this cause, please bring your items to the office by September 18<sup>th</sup>. Trisha will be taking these items to the LWML Zone Rally, which is September 24<sup>th</sup>. More info about that to follow in the next coming months.

THE LUTHERAN CEMETERY, 1305 NORTH ST. JOSEPH AVENUE, EVANSVILLE, INDIANA, will hold a walking tour of the Cemetery on September 11, 2022, in honor of Benjamin Bosse who was buried here 100 years ago. The tour will be led by Vanderburgh County Historical Society member, Karin Kirsch. The program will begin at 1 p.m. with the dedication of a long-lost plaque that was part of Bosse family memorabilia.

[Rain date - September 18, 2022, at 1:00 PM]

Benjamin Bosse [1874-1922] was a remarkably creative and successful businessman who was Evansville's mayor from 1914 to 1922. He constantly searched out ways to improve Evansville. The Coliseum, F. J. Reitz and Bosse High Schools, Evansville College, and Bosse Baseball Field are just a few of the many projects he worked for that are still important parts of Evansville today. An active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, he served as the Cemetery's Secretary-Treasurer from 1895 until his death in 1922, personally caring for its landscaping.

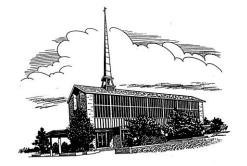
Three other mayors of Evansville are buried in the Lutheran Cemetery—John W. Boehne [1906-1909], business partner and mentor; William H. Dress [1935-1943, 1948-1949], protegee; and Edwin F. Diekmann [1949-1952], family friend. The tour includes many other interesting and prominent citizens who were part of Evansville's growth.

**THE LUTHERAN CEMETERY** The Lutheran Cemetery Association is having its annual Fall Fundraiser. We rely on your donations to help with general grounds maintenance & upkeep. Please prayerfully consider making a donation this year. Make checks payable to "Lutheran Cemetery Association" & mail to PO Box 23281, Evansville, In. 47724

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# NEWSLETTER

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### THE HOLY SPIRIT

In the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed, we confess in a few short, simple words, "I believe in the Holy Spirit." Then we quickly move on to the church, forgiveness, the resurrection, and heaven. But who is this Holy Spirit and what do we believe about him? The Bible seems to give the Holy Spirit very little press. We hear about the Father and his Son quite often, but we seem to hear less about the Holy Spirit. Indeed, of the three persons of the Trinity, we place Him last in the order of our creeds.

In the Nicene Creed we confess a little more about the Holy Spirit, his person and his work. We say, "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets." Here we recognize the Holy Spirit as true God. We address him as Lord and attribute to him the same divine honor and worship as God the Father and God the Son.

Believing the Holy Spirit is God is in accord with Holy Scripture. Jesus commanded that we be baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, the name of the Triune God. (Matthew 28:19) The apostle Peter rebukes Ananias for lying to the Holy Spirit, saying, "You have not lied to men but to God." (Acts 5:3-4) The Holy Spirit has divine attributes. He is omnipresent (present everywhere). "Where can I go from your Spirit. . . If I go to the heavens, You are there; if I make my bed in the depths, You are there." (Psalm 139:7-8)

The Holy Spirit is omniscient (all knowing). "The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God." (1 Corinthians 2:10) The Holy Spirit is also eternal, called the "eternal Spirit." (Hebrews 9:14)

We also recognize the divine works of the Holy Spirit when we call him "the giver of life." When God created the heavens and the earth, the Holy Spirit was present, hovering over the water, bringing life to all living things. God breathed into man his Spirit, the breath of life, and man became a living being. Even Christ, after he was put to death in the body, "was made alive by the Spirit," on Easter Sunday. (1 Peter 3:18) But besides giving physical life, the Holy Spirit also gives spiritual life. Jesus said, "You must be born again of water and the Spirit," referring to baptism. "He saved us by the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit." (Titus 3:5) David also prays to God, "Renew a right spirit within me . . . and take not your Holy Spirit from me." (Psalm 51:10-11) The Holy Spirit creates a new spirit within us to believe in Jesus Christ.

We understand that Jesus is "begotten" or born of the Father. They are of the same substance or cut out of the same stuff. But the Holy Spirit is also of the same substance as the Father and the Son in that He "proceeds" from the Father and the Son. Jesus said, "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me." (John 15:26)

This last verse, "He will bear witness about me," also shows another work of the Holy Spirit. His work is not to bear witness about himself, but to bear witness to Jesus Christ as God's Son and the Savior of the world. How does the Holy Spirit give witness to Jesus? Through the preached and written word of the prophets and apostles. Though the Bible is written by men with individual books often bearing their name, the Holy Spirit is the actual author of the Bible, you might say the "Ghost" writer of the Scriptures. He spoke by the prophets. "Prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit." (2 Peter 1:21) Jesus said to his disciples, "The Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you." (John 14:26) The Holy Spirit was inspiring, even breathing the words of Scripture into both the Old Testament prophets and the New Testament apostles. Since the entire Bible is all about Christ, we know that the Holy Spirit has done his job in bearing witness to Jesus. So even though the Bible speaks infrequently about the Holy Spirit, we would expect this since his primary work is not to bear witness to Himself but to Jesus.

In next month's article, we will look more at the work of the Holy Spirit, particularly how He sanctifies us.

Pastor Temme