

**Welcome
to Trinity**

#72 You are Only a Steward, Not the Lord of Your Property

Those who want to be pious, who fear God, and who think about how to live and behave, must know that they simply have no right to do business with their property and manage it as they please, as though they themselves were the lords of all. They have the obligation to carry on their business in a proper and orderly way; this is why there is territorial and civil law. **That is how everyone would want his neighbor to treat him; therefore he should also treat his neighbor that way, taking and offering only good merchandise.** Christ means this commandment seriously, and He will not let it be made free or optional, as though one could obey it or disobey it with impunity. He will enforce it, too, however much the world may take it as an insult and despise it. If you do not obey it, He will deal with you according to your own standard and judgment, and it will strike you in your house and home. You will have no blessing from what you have acquired in disobedience to this teaching, but you and your children will have only trouble and sorrow. He wants His commandment to be kept; otherwise you will have neither property nor good fortune.

In the second place, Christ not only makes this so intimate, as we have said, that we have to see it in everything we look at, He also portrays it in such a way that everyone has to blush in shame over himself. There is no one who enjoys doing something wrong when other people can see it. No one dares to sin publicly, in the presence of people, with the same freedom as he does privately, where no one can see him. So Christ intends here to appoint us as our own witnesses and to make us afraid of ourselves. Then if we do something wrong, our conscience will stand up against us with this commandment, as an eternal witness, and say: "Look here, what are you doing? According to the usual fair-business practice, you ought to put such and such a price on this. But you are putting on a much higher price. Or the way you are debasing and misrepresenting this merchandise, you would not want to have someone else sell you something like that." How it would annoy you if someone charged you a gulden for something barely worth ten groschen! If you had one drop of honest blood in your body, you would have to be ashamed of yourself. If someone else acted this way, you would call him a thief and a villain. Then why are you not ashamed of yourself, since it is not someone else but yourself who has to make this accusation, and you are condemned by your own conscience? This may be all right for a brazen hardhead, who has no sense of shame before the people or before himself, much less before God.

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Isaiah 40:9-11

⁹ O Zion, You who bring good tidings, get up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, You who bring good tidings, lift up your voice with strength, lift it up, be not afraid; Say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" ¹⁰ Behold, the Lord GOD shall come with a strong hand, and His arm shall rule for Him; Behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him. ¹¹ He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those who are with young.

2 Peter 3:3-14

³ knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, ⁴ and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." ⁵ For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, ⁶ by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. ⁷ But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. ⁸ But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. ⁹ The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. ¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. ¹¹ Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, ¹² looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? ¹³ Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new

earth in which righteousness dwells. ¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless;

St. Matthew 25:31-46

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. ³² All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. ³³ And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: ³⁵ for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? ³⁸ When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? ³⁹ Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' ⁴¹ Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: ⁴² for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' ⁴⁵ Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' ⁴⁶ And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

**Introit.**

Ant. SAVE ME, || O God, by Thy | Name | - :
and judge | me | by | Thy | strength.

|| Hear my prayer, O | God | - :
give ear to the | words | of | my | mouth.

Psalm. || He shall reward evil to mine | ene- | mies:
cut them | off | in | Thy | truth.

GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | - :
and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be:
world with- | out | end. | A- | men. (*Ant. Repeated.*)

Collect.

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Thy Holy Spirit, that being ever mindful of the end of all things, and the day of Thy just judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here, and dwell with Thee forever hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle. 2 Peter 3:3-14

or 2 Thessalonians 1:3-10

Additional reading: Isaiah 40:9-11**Gospel. Matthew 25:31-46****Gradual.**

|| Who shall ascend into the hill of the | LORD | - :
or who shall stand in | His | ho- | ly | place?

|| He that hath clean hands a | pure | heart:
he shall receive the bless- | ing | from | the | LORD.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Fear not, for I have re- | deemed | thee:
I have called thee by name; thou art Mine. | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* The LORD is my shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing: He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. (Psalm 23:1-2). **Psalm 23:3-6.**

26th Sunday after Trinity

64. Now Thank We All Our God

Martin Rinckart, 1636

Johann Crüger, 1648

Tr., Catherine Winkworth, 1858

1. Now thank we all our God
 2. Oh, may this boun - teous God
 Δ 3. All praise and thanks to God

With heart and hands and voic - es, Who
 Through all our life be near - us, With
 The Fa - ther now be giv - en, The

won - drous things hath done, In whom His world re -
 ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to
 Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est

joic - es; Who from our moth - er's arms
 cheer us And keep us in His grace
 heav - en: The one e - ter - nal God,

Hath blessed us on our way
 And guide us when per - plexed
 Whom earth and heav'n a - dore!

With count - less gifts of love
 And free - us from all ills
 For thus it was, is now,

And still is ours to - day.
 In this world and the next!
 And shall be ev - er - more. A - men.

But when someone else treats you that way you can quickly exclaim: “Is it not a sin and a shame and a clever way of robbing my wallet?” You can quickly recognize a thief and a villain in someone else; but you refuse to see the one working in your own breast, whom you can easily catch and feel. (Luther’s Works, v. 21, pages 237-239).

Assistants

Elder – Dan Byrne (922-3556)

Organist – LeeAnn Byrne

Altar Guild – Butch and Mary Schroeder

Church Cleaning –Nov 26/Dec 3 Melvin, Dec 10/17 Kemp

Altar Flowers- In honor of Mary Brieschke’s son Michael Hackett’s birthday on November 17

Prayer for the Church

Thanksgiving. --that our King has blessed us with an inheritance which was secured by the death of His Son, Jesus Christ.

--that our gracious God has created in us a living faith that produces love towards the least of Jesus’ brothers.

The Church and her servants.—Warn those hypocrites who are mingled with God’s church that their deception will be made known on the Last Day. A person cannot despise God’s Word, cannot ignore the members of Christ’s body, cannot be self-centered without being a cursed goat sent to eternal punishment.

--Comfort your beloved sheep who hear God’s Word, lovingly serve Christ’s body and do good for others with the Last Day’s message concerning salvation through faith alone and the final separation of good and evil, sheep and goats, the merciful and the unmerciful.

--teach all pastors in Christ, our bishop, James Heiser, and our pastors, Gary K. Harroun and Michael D. Henson, that they should not be indifferent or grow weary in doing good, for Christ will surely come.

--that our acting director, Donna Cole, would be upheld and strengthened in her work on behalf of our Learning Center during the next two weeks. (Keely Gelso took another job. Her last day was Friday Nov. 17. The Learning Center will be closing on November 30.)

The nations of the world and their rulers.—Bless our nation, including our president, Joe Biden, our governor, J.B. Pritzker, and our mayor, Steve Frattini, and all who serve in government, that we who rejoice in Your truth may be permitted, without restriction, to declare Your glory and serve You. Give all public servants a love of that which is true and noble, that justice may be done, peace promoted, wealth protected, and mercy shown.

--For the soldiers, marines, airmen, sailors, and special forces—especially Danny Cobin, Jason Melvin, and Blake Darnstaedt, and our police officers, especially Daniel Byrne and Alex Byrne—who put their lives in harm’s way in order to defend our freedoms we ask that God would protect them from all danger and lift their spirits during times of trial.

Particular local needs.—

Shut-ins.- Carolyn Westerman; Patty Rametta, Tom Smith,

Elderly.- Violet Kemp (38 N Village Parkway, Palm Coast, FL 32137)

Various Needs.- Kevin Krolak (nephew of Patti Baker), Levi Gonzalez (nephew of Patti Baker), Larry & Deb Vancil (friends of Melvins), Christina Borchert(cancer, sister-in-law of Donna Lowrance), Jim and Charolette Harroun (health concerns), Denise Livingston (friend of Mary Brieschke), Melanie Lentz (friend of Donna Lowrance), and Anita Prochaska (Procedure)

Thanksgiving-Harold Schlemmer (He has finished chemo & radiation and is driving again, cousin of Oletha Taft)

Pregnant.--Susan Plock (April), Christina Henson (January)

Students.- Tom Weber at Florida State University, Kara Martin at Univ. of Southern Indiana, Jonathan Henson at University of Georgia, Sarah Miller at University of Kentucky, Sadie Henson at Concordia University, Nebraska, and Alexis Darnstaedt at University of Missouri, Columbia.

Trinity News

Annual Voter's Assembly.— After church today (11/19), Trinity will hold its annual Voters Assembly in which we approve the budget for 2024 and elect church officers

Pecans.—The annual pecan fundraiser is here. Orders by Nov 20.

Thanksgiving Day Service.—Matins at 9:00 AM on Nov. 23.

Decorating for the Holidays.—Sunday, Nov. 26, following service

Addresses of Military and Students for Bulletins.—Please give pastor the addresses of those soldiers, which we are including in our prayers.

Christmas Services.—This year's services will be Sunday, **December 24 at 10:15 AM** and Monday, **December 25 Matins at 8 AM**, Bible Class at 9 AM, and **Divine Service at 10:15 AM**.

Weekly Calendar

TODAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM
-**Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM**
-Voters' Assembly, after the service

WEDNESDAY -Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM

-**Catechesis Service, 7:00 PM**

THURSDAY -**Matins for National Day of Thanksgiving, 9 AM**

THURS/FRIDAY -*ECLC closed*

NEXT -*LAST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR*

SUNDAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM

-**Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM**

-Decorating for Holy Days, 12:00 PM

For the Lapsed.

O LORD GOD of Israel, we beseech Thee, we entreat Thee, that Thou wouldst not refuse us sinners, because of our conversation. Thy goodness which Thou bestowest freely on them that are true of heart, that Thou mayest make them who are their own slaves rebel by that same grace whereby Thou rulest the lowly; and that the same goodness wherewith Thou ever crownest the righteous may continually interpose for us; that Thou mayest spare us sinners, that, rejoicing in the goodness wherein the saints are glad, they may delight in being restored by it to Thee, whom worldly lures have drawn from Thee through the contagion of divers things, and that with humble devotion of soul they may pay their vows unto Thee, uniting in Thy praise; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (Oremus, 1925, p.90).

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated today. Please note that our practice of closed communion with those who are in fellowship with us—members of congregations of the

ELDoNA—is not meant to offend, but is the historic practice of the Church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations may be Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42) is the central issue to the common reception of the Sacrament of the Altar. Therefore, we ask GUESTS desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service so that he may know that you are a member of a congregation in fellowship with Trinity Lutheran Church.



The Luther Bible 1534: Maccabees ch. 9— Judas Maccabees is slain, and Jonathan replaces him, #545

Preface from “The Common Service for the use of Evangelical Lutheran Congregations, by the authority of the General Synod...” Lutheran Publication Society: Philadelphia, 1888.) Part 2 of 3.

“The revival of our Church life which has distinguished the Nineteenth Century brought with it in many minds the desire for a restoration of the Services belonging to the youth and formative period of our Evangelical Church. Those Services, it was hoped, would prove to be not only a fitting mode of worship, but also a valuable bond of union among the separate branches of our Church. Hence it was agreed by the General Bodies concerned in this work of securing a Common Service that the basis should be the "common consent of the pure Lutheran liturgies of the Sixteenth Century." On such a basis individual views and preferences must yield to the demands of historical facts and of general usage.