

Welcome  
to Trinity

**#49 IX: Loving God Alone, part 2:** If a very powerful earthly sovereign were to send his messengers to seek in marriage a maiden of humble birth and fortune, would not that maiden act very foolishly to reject the hand of the king, and take up with his messengers and servants instead? And God, through the beauty of the works of His own hands, desires to call me to Himself and to incite me to love Him alone; why then should my soul, which Christ the heavenly Bridegroom seeks to unite to Himself, cling to a mere creature, as the messenger of this spiritual union which He desires to make with me? These creatures themselves exclaim, “Why dost thou cling so fondly to us? Why dost thou seek thy highest good in us? We cannot satisfy thy longings. Haste thee to our common Creator.” We dare not hope that the things of earth will reciprocate our love; nor do they first love us; but God, who is love (1 John iv. 16), cannot but love those who love Him; nay more, He even anticipates all our desires and all our love with His own love. Ah! how much then ought we love Him who first so dearly loved us. He loved us before we had any being, for it is because of His divine love that we were born into the world. He loved us when we were yet enemies (Rom. v. 10); for it is because of His divine love and compassion that He sent His Son to redeem us. (Gerhard’s Sacred Meditations – IX: Loving God Alone, Repristination Press, p. 50-51)

Assistants

Elder – Tony Stretch (995-1379)  
Organist– LeeAnn Byrne  
Altar Guild – Karin Henson

Church Cleaning – July 6/13 Plock

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.

Weekly  
Calendar

**THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**  
**-Matins, Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles, 8:00 AM**  
**-Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM**  
**-Divine Service-Lord’s Supper, 10:15 AM**

**WEDNESDAY -Visitation of Our Lord, Divine Service, 10:30 AM**  
–Learn-by-Heart/Catechesis, 6:30 PM  
**FRIDAY --Independence Day**  
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Divine Service

Hymn ..... LW #347

Augustana Service Book & Hymnal

+ Invocation..... p.7  
+ Confession/Absolution p.8-9  
+ Introit..... (insert)  
*[Pastor, then congregation]*  
+ Kyrie... p.10  
+ Gloria in Excelsis p.11-13  
+ Salutation..... p.13  
+ Collect of the Day... (insert)  
Old Testament Reading  
Epistle  
+ Gradual..... (insert)  
+ Holy Gospel..... p.16  
Nicene Creed..... p.17  
**ASBH #40 “The Mouth of Fools  
Doth God Confess”**  
Sermon  
+ Offertory: "Create in Me..." p.18  
*The Offerings are gathered.*  
+ General Prayer..... p.19-20  
Hymn..... #249  
+ Exhortation p.21

Lutheran Worship Hymnal

+ Preface, etc. .... p.144-151  
Communion Psalm (by cantor)  
**Distribution & Hymns**  
**#405, #277, #345**  
+ “Lord, now you let ...” p.152  
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*Announcements*

## Trinity News

**Ladies Annual Dinner Out.**—  
Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 6 PM at  
the Anchor Grille in Sesser.

**Theology Nights.**—This summer there will be two more “Theology Nights” on Thursday July 31 and August 28. Each night will begin at 6 PM with snacks and dinner. Following that at 6:30, there will be a **discussion of a theology paper** which has been distributed and read earlier. And last of all, the usual fun activities like cards, corn hole and pleasant conversation to complete the evening.

The second paper will be Deacon Anthony Oncken’s paper, “Christology for the Young: The Nicene Creed in Catechesis” from the 2025 Colloquium of Eldona.

### Prayer for Wednesday

182. Lord Jesus Christ, the darkness descends upon us, to whom shall we flee? Unto Thee I come, O Heavenly, Eternal Light. Shine Thou round about me that mine eyes fall not into the sleep of eternal death. Banish from my presence the evil spirit and all his angels and whatsoever else is at enmity with my soul. Cause me to sleep in peace, to rest in safety, and to awake again in joy, to live a Christian life, and, at last, to die a blessed death. Let Thy grace be with me now and at all times, unto all eternity. Amen.

O Son of David, have mercy upon me and forgive me all my transgressions. Amen. The Love of God the Father, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with me and with all believers. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer. The Creed. **Psalm 23.** The *Gloria Patri*. (Seed-Grains of Prayer: A Manual for Evangelical Christians by William Loehe, Wartburg Publishing House, 1914, Pages 318)

## General Prayer p.18-19

### Special Prayers

- Pastoral Office:** Bishop, James Heiser, Pastor Michael D. Henson, Deacon Gary K. Harroun
- Eldona Congregations:** St. Luke Lutheran Church (Kenai/Nikiski, AK) and Homer Ev. Lutheran Mission (Homer, AK), Pr. Tim H. Tolar
- In thanksgiving to God for 249 years of blessings and grace upon these United States of America, and for ourselves that we may never take these gifts from God for granted
- Armed forces:** Jason Melvin, Blake Darnstaedt.
- Police officers:** Daniel Byrne, Alex Byrne.
- Shut-ins:** Carolyn Westerman; Patty Rametta
- Elderly:** Violet Kemp Tom Smith
- Various Needs:** Jennifer Denton (cancer, Shirley Webb), Don Stretch (Tony’s Father), Sarah Melvin (back), Courtney Severs (brain cancer, Oletha’s daughter-in-law’s sister), Heidi Bunselmeyer (cancer, Todd Darnstaedt’s sister), Vint Herring (Granite City), Anita Prochaska (stem cell injections), Richard Zsido (visitor, hospitalized this week, his wife Debbie)
- On June 30, 1991, Pastor Henson was ordained and installed as Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Herrin.

## The Second Sunday after Trinity



**Otttheinrich Bible 1430 (III:34) The Great Banquet Luke**

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**Isaiah 25:6-9**

6 And in this mountain The LORD of hosts will make for all people a feast of choice pieces, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of well-refined wines on the lees. 7 And He will destroy on this mountain the surface of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations. 8 He will swallow up death forever, and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken. 9 And it will be said in that day: “Behold, this is our God; We have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the LORD; We have waited for Him; We will be glad and rejoice in His salvation.”

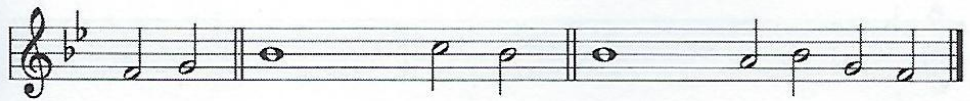
**1 John 3:13-18**

13 Do not marvel, my brethren, if the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death. 15 Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. 16 By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. 17 But whoever has this world’s goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him? 18 My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

**St. Luke 14:16-24**

16 Then He said to him, “A certain man gave a great supper and invited many, 17 and sent his servant at supper time to say to those who were invited, ‘Come, for all things are now ready.’ 18 But they all with one accord began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.’ 19 And another

said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.’ 20 Still another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’ 21 So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.’ 22 And the servant said, ‘Master, it is done as you commanded, and still there is room.’ 23 Then the master said to the servant, ‘Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. 24 For I say to you that none of those men who were invited shall taste my supper.’”



**Introit.**

*Ant.* THE LORD || was my | stay | - :  
He brought me forth also in- | to | a | large | place.  
|| He delivered | me | - :  
because He de- | light- | ed | in | me.  
*Psalm.* || I will love Thee, O LORD, my | Strength | - :  
the LORD is my Rock, | and | my | For- | tress.  
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 Lord, Who never failest to help and govern those whom Thou dost bring up in Thy steadfast fear and love: Make us to have a perpetual fear and love of Thy holy Name; 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.** 1 John 3:13–18      **Gospel.** Luke 14:16–24  
**Additional reading:** Isaiah 25:6–9

**Gradual.**

|| In my distress I cried unto the | LORD | - :  
— | and | He | heard | me.  
|| Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying | lips | - :  
and from a | de- | ceit- | ful | tongue.  
|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I will praise the LORD according to His | *righteous-* | ness:  
and will sing praise to the Name of the LORD Most High. | Hal- | le- |  
lu- | jah.

**Communion Psalm:** *Ant.* I will sing of the Lord, because he has dealt so lovingly with me: yeah, I will praise the name of the Lord most High. (Psalm 13:6). **Psalm 97.**

2nd Sunday after Trinity

# 40. The Mouth of Fools Doth God Confess

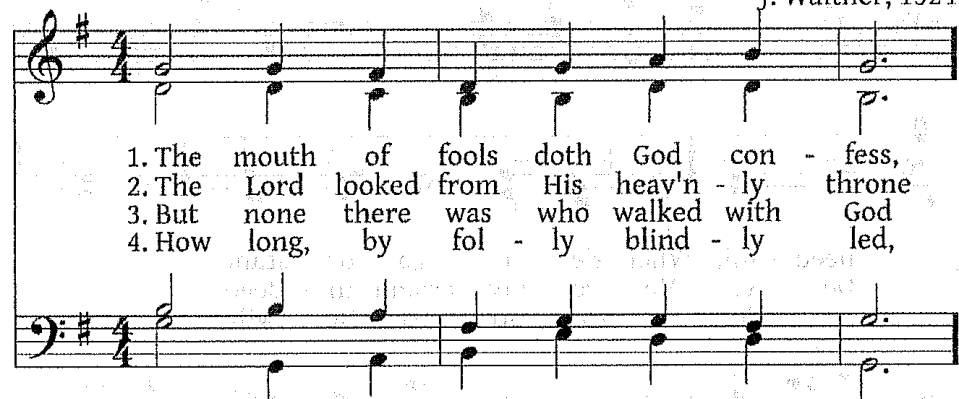
Dr. Martin Luther, 1524

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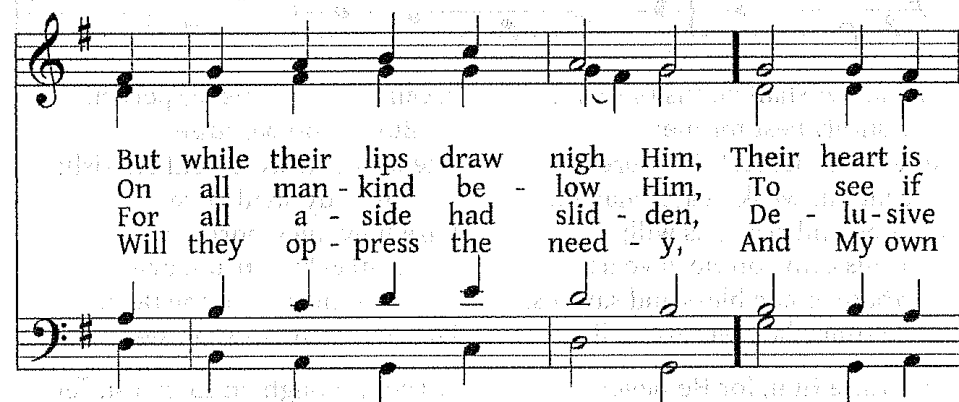
8, 7, 8, 7, 8, 8, 7.

Es spricht der 7nweisen Mund

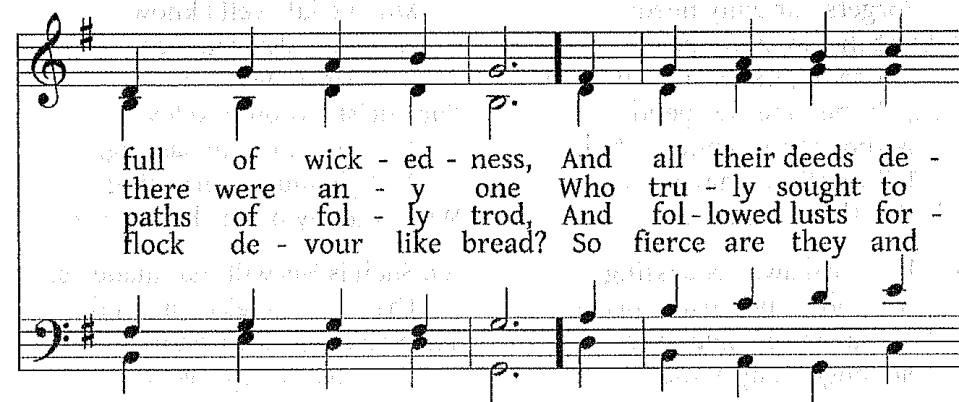
J. Walther, 1524



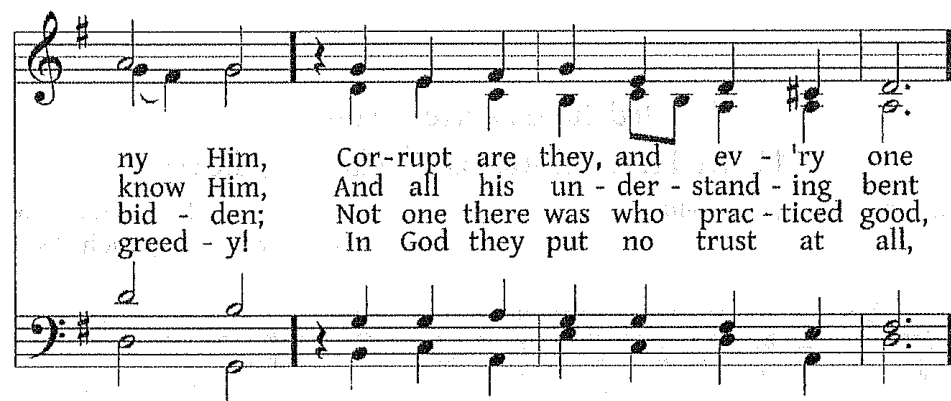
1. The mouth of fools doth God confess,  
 2. The Lord looked from His heav'n - ly throne  
 3. But none there was who walked with God  
 4. How long, by fol - ly blind - ly led,



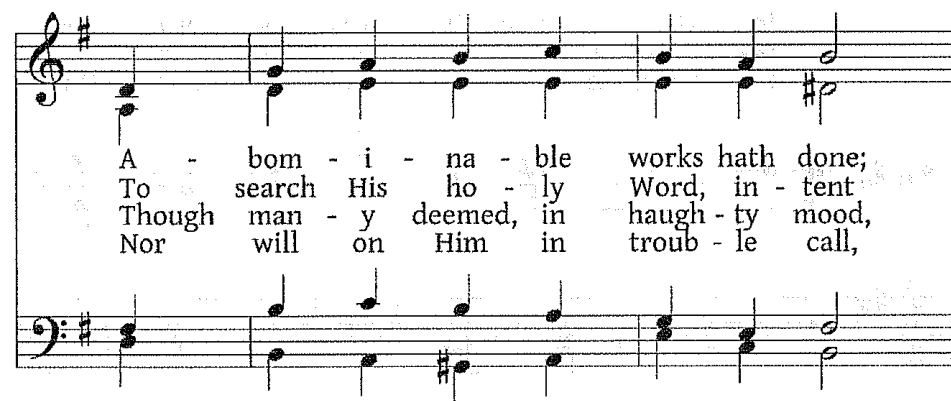
But while their lips draw nigh Him, Their heart is  
 On all man - kind be - low Him, To see if  
 For all a - side had slid - den, De - lu - sive  
 Will they op - press the need - y, And My own



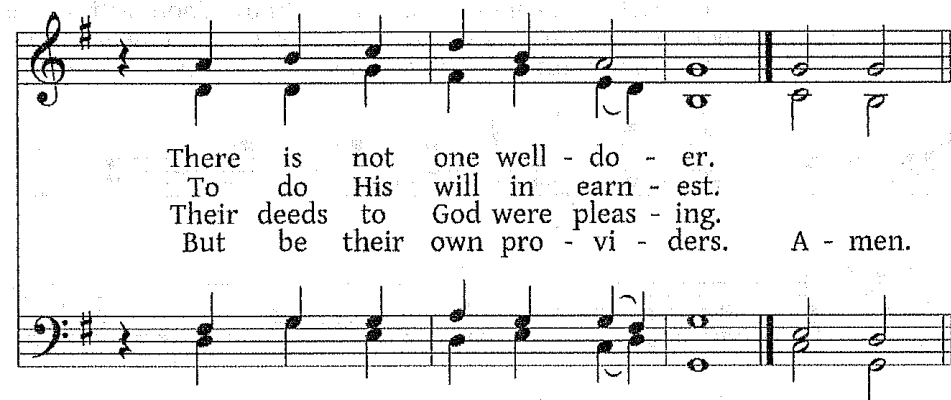
full of wick - ed - ness, And all their deeds de -  
 there were an - y one Who tru - ly sought to  
 paths of fol - ly trod, And fol - lowed lusts for -  
 flock de - vour like bread? So fierce are they and



ny Him, Cor - rupt are they, and ev - 'ry one  
 know Him, And all his un - der - stand - ing bent  
 bid - den; Not one there was who prac - ticed good,  
 greed - y! In God they put no trust at all,



A - bom - i - na - ble works hath done;  
 To search His ho - ly Word, in - tent  
 Though man - y deemed, in haugh - ty mood,  
 Nor will on Him in troub - le call,



There is not one well - do - er.  
 To do His will in earn - est.  
 Their deeds to God were pleas - ing.  
 But be their own pro - vi - ders. A - men.

5. Therefore their heart is never still,  
 A constant fear dismays them,  
 God is with him who doth His will,  
 Who trust Him and obeys Him;  
 Ye shame the counsel of the poor,  
 And mock him when he doth assure  
 That God is e'er his refuge.

6. Who shall to Israel's outcast race  
 From Zion bring salvation?  
 God will Himself at length show grace  
 And loose the captive nation;  
 That will He do by Christ their King;  
 Let Jacob then be glad and sing,  
 And Israel be joyful.