

WELCOME

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in New Prague, Minnesota. We are glad that you are here! In these Autumn days, as we watch the leaves turn and fall to the ground, we are ever aware of our dependence on a gracious and loving God who sustains us in all of our comings and goings throughout our lives. We hope that you find a warm welcome of hospitality in our midst.

- Pastor Joy Bussert

PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers this week: Darbie B., Joe S., Karen H., Kris P., Laura C., Jim N., Ray M., Deanna L., Janet H., Marlys J., Nancy F., Heidi S., Candee W., Ellie R., Brenton B., and the family and friends of Logan Sampson as they mourn his loss.

**If you would like to be added to this public prayer list, please contact the church office (office@holyltrinityonline.org).*

SPONSORS

Dale and the late Ann Zimanske are sponsoring the Radio Ministry this week, in honor of their 44th Anniversary. What a wonderful tribute...thank you!

The Hospitality Ministry has openings for sponsors.

Sponsoring a week is a great way to support the church, honor a special event, or memorialize a loved one. The Radio Ministry is \$70, and the Hospitality Ministry (Wednesday evening meals) is \$300 (full week) or \$150 (half week). Please contact Jamie at office@holyltrinityonline.org or call 952.758.3513 to support these important ministries. Thank you!



WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace*

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

MUSICAL OFFERING Christa Smith, *Come, Jesus Come*

FAITH MILESTONE Confirmation Bibles

CREW TIME DISMISSAL

SCRIPTURE READINGS Exodus 32:7-14
Psalm 51:1-10 (read responsively)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Change My Heart O God, ELW #801*

GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY *Reckless Love*

CREW TIME RETURNS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY VERSE *Take, O Take Me As I Am, ELW #814*

OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN *This is Amazing Grace*

DISMISSAL

NOTES

HEARING DEVICES: Please visit the Soundbooth for assistance.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Holy Trinity is located on the original homelands of the Wahpekute (Dakota) people.

NURSERY: If you have someone who needs room to move, check out the Nursery! Exit the Sanctuary and turn right. You’ll find comfortable seating, toys for little ones, and a TV to view worship.

OFFERING: Experience the joy of giving! Give via cash or check using the envelopes at the Usher Station. Place it in the collection plate as the ushers pass your row. Give electronically by scanning the QR code (select “General Operating”). Lastly, all are welcome to make a joyful noise by placing your loose change in the metal milk can or giving your coins to a child to deliver your “noisy offering.” 10% of the offering supports Holy Trinity’s Mission Outreach projects. Thank you!



QR CODES: Easy as 1, 2, 3! Open your smartphone camera, hold it over the QR code, and tap the link.

RESTROOMS/CHANGING TABLES: Located directly outside the Sanctuary in the Lobby and the Fellowship Hall (north side).

WELL-BEING POLICY: Please stay home if you or someone in your household has experienced severe illness symptoms, such as diarrhea, vomiting, or fever within the past 24 hours. Please worship remotely via livestream. Thank you for caring for Holy Trinity’s well-being!

WIFI: Username: HTLC-Guest, Password: Fellowship

FINANCES

Finances as of June 30, 2025	Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual	Campaign Gifts Received
Revenue	\$353,028	\$368,695	\$954,695
Expenses	\$347,161	\$360,366	Gifts to receive
Revenue - Expenses	\$5,867	\$8,324	\$297,704

Reserve Fund Contributions: \$5,327 Reserve Fund Remaining Need: \$144,674

RESPOND

CALL COMMITTEE ELECTION: Wednesday, September 24, after worship. Mark your calendars to approve the slate of Call Committee members. The election will take place in person and via Zoom. Watch the *HTLConnections* for more information.

MINDFUL YOGA: Sunday, September 21, 4 pm. Fellowship Hall.
Join Jen Saylor for an hour of mindfulness, strength, ease, and gratitude. All levels are welcome. Ages 14+.

LIVESTREAM TECH: Do you love technology? Have you ever wanted to direct a TV show about Holy Trinity? Help tell Holy Trinity's story behind the scenes as a livestream tech on Sunday mornings! This position is vital to Holy Trinity's online worshippers as well as the radio and TV ministry. Training is provided. Please contact Jamie at office@holytrinityonline.org or call 952.758.3513.

BE THE ONE: Are you the one? You can make a big difference by volunteering a small amount of time. Holy Trinity has a GREAT team of disciples who volunteer their time. There is always room for more! If you are interested in serving as a worship assistant (usher, reader, communion server, or slide runner), please contact Jamie at office@holytrinityonline.org or call 952.758.3513.

\$150K RESERVE FUND: Holy Trinity received a generous gift of up to \$150,000 of matching funds towards Holy Trinity's Reserve Fund. It prevents costly borrowing to cover short-term expenses due to fluctuating monthly cash flow. Thank you for helping Holy Trinity achieve more financial stability!

LITTLE FREE PANTRY: Thank you for generously donating items and making a HUGE difference in the community. Suggested items for the warm months include: Cereal (hot and cold), healthy snacks, peanut butter, popcorn, boxed meals, cooking oil, canned meats, pasta (all shapes), spaghetti & tomato sauces, taco fixings, fruit juice, bottles of water, facial tissues, and paper towels. Please bring your donations to the grocery cart in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

SERMON NOTES

Listen closely to today's scripture and sermon, take notes, and discuss them with your Confirmation small group.

Name: _____

1. In today's Gospel, who were some of the people listening to Jesus speak? (Bonus: What is a parable?)

2. Listen to Pastor Joy's message. Write down at least 1 comment or question you have.

3. What's on your mind today? What questions, comments, or prayer requests do you have to share?

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PARABLE

OF THE



LOST SHEEP

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

SUNDAY: 9 AM

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

WEDNESDAY: 6 PM

Share God's love for all people from one generation to the next.

Welcome • Worship • Respond

