#### **WELCOME**

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church! Today is a Confirmation service, also known as the Affirmation of Baptism. This week, sixteen confirmands celebrate their faith journey. In baptism, God makes a promise to people, and today, these young people affirm they intend to continue on the journey to follow Jesus. God's blessings to you and your loved ones today!

# **PRAYERS**

This week, please keep in your prayers: Darbie B., Joe S., Karen H., Kris P., Laura C., Jim N., Ray M., Janet H., Nancy F., Heidi S., Candee W., Ellie R., Brenton B., Dylan E., Don M., Pastor Ben H., Rob N., Cathy H., and Bruce H.

Today, we also pray for Trevor Applen, Everett Brown, Schaefer Brown, Aaron Bui, Eric Christensen, Kenzie Doughan, Taylor Fadden, Samuel Gallagher, Elsie Goldade, Ella Meyer, Sam Meyer, Harry Oertel, Lauren Sticha, Will Sticha, Redick Valek, and Isla Winzenburg as they affirm their baptism this week. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.

## **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@holytrinityonline.org or call 952.758.3513 to support these important ministries. Thank you!



#### WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

**WELCOME** 

**OPENING HYMN** A Mighty Fortress, ELW #503

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS** 

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**CREW TIME DISMISSAL** 

SCRIPTURE READINGS Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 46 (read responsively)

Romans 3:19-24

GOSPEL John 8:31-36

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY Goodness of God

**CREW TIME RETURNS** 

**OFFERING** 

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION BLESSINGS

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** 

LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION Lamb of God

A Mighty Fortress Borning Cry, ELW #732 Be Unto Your Name

**BENEDICTION** 

**SENDING HYMN** Praise To The Lord, The Almighty, ELW #858

DISMISSAL

**POSTLUDE** 

## **NOTES**

**HOLY COMMUNION**: Every person has a place at God's table. No exceptions. All are welcome - regardless of church membership or denomination. Follow the direction of the ushers. Receive a wafer (regular or gluten-free) in your hand and then select red wine or juice. Children younger than 4<sup>th</sup> grade and others who do not commune are welcome to come for a blessing.

MINISTRY OFFERING: Experience the joy of giving!

Please give cash or checks during the Offering using the envelopes found at the Usher Station. Give electronically by scanning the QR code. 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.

FRIENDLY FACTS: All are welcome! Age-appropriate Worship Bags are located in the back of the Sanctuary. Visit the Nursery to find sensory items (noise-cancelling headphones, weighted blankets/toys) or anytime you have a little one who needs room to wiggle. Worship is livestreamed in the Nursery for families and in the Small Group room for a quieter environment. Exit the Sanctuary and turn right to find these rooms.

**HEARING ASSIST:** Please visit the Soundbooth for assistance.

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

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

WIFI: Username: HTLC-Guest, Password: Fellowship

### **FINANCES**

Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual	Campaign Gifts Received
\$508,497	\$492,384	\$1,005,690
\$407,041	\$502,147	Gifts to receive
\$1,456	-\$9,763	\$246,709
	\$508,497 \$407,041	Budget         Actual           \$508,497         \$492,384           \$407,041         \$502,147

Reserve Fund Contributions: \$10,579 Reserve Fund Remaining Need: \$139,421

### **RESPOND**

**CONGRATULATIONS, CONFIRMANDS!** Welcome to adulthood in the eyes of the church. May God continue to bless you on your journey of faith. Congratulations on affirming your baptism!

**ALL SAINTS**: All are welcome to worship next week for All Saints to commemorate the saints who have gone before us this year.

LISTENING SESSIONS: The Transition Team members want your feedback on Holy Trinity's next pastor! Attend a Listening Session after worship on November 2 or 5.

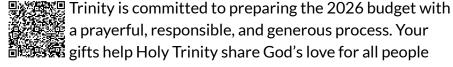
Or sign up for a community session before/after worship (back of the Sanctuary), or scan the QR code.

Community Small Group Listening Sessions are

- Monday, October 27 @ 6:30 pm Zoom Meeting (Facilitated by Melissa Horejsi)
- Wednesday, October 29 @ 7 pm Giesenbrau Bier Co.
   (Facilitated by Melissa Horejsi)
- Saturday, November 1 @ 10 am Ettlin's Café

LISTENING SESSION SURVEY: Provide anonymous feedback for the Transition Team in the privacy of your home. The survey contains the same questions asked during the in-person sessions. Scan the QR code to complete it.

#### 2026 PLEDGE CARDS: October is Stewardship Month! Holy



from one generation to the next. Turn in your 2026 pledge card during the offering or scan the QR code by October 31

**LEADERSHIP NOMINATION:** Your voice matters! Please nominate voting members for open roles by completing the 2026 Leadership Nomination Form by scanning the QR code. Thank you for reflecting on this decision!

**LITTLE FREE PANTRY:** Please consider supporting families in the community with love and care. October requests include *breakfast bars*, granola bars, canned chicken/tuna, bar soap, and laundry soap.

#### **SERMON NOTES**

Listen closely to the pastor's message, take notes, and discuss them with your Confirmation small group.

Name: \_\_

1. What do you think Jesus means when he says, "and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free"?

2. Listen to the message. Write down at least one comment or question you have about the message.

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

# **CONNECT**

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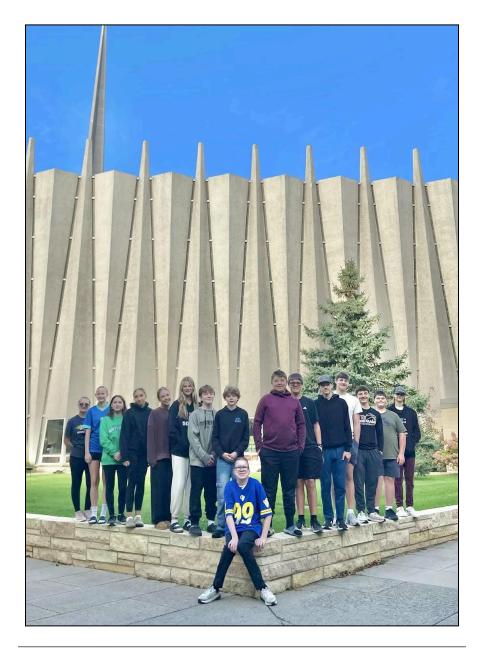
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OCTOBER 26, 2025 OCTOBER 29, 2025

SUNDAY: 9 AM

WEDNESDAY: 6 PM

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

Welcome · Worship · Respond

