## WELCOME

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. In today's Gospel reading, Jesus uses the parable of the persistent widow to teach the power of praying and never giving up. Today's challenge is to come to worship with hearts full of faith, trusting that God hears and responds. No matter what you're facing, know that perseverance in prayer moves the heart of God. Thank you for joining worship today! Blessings to you and your family this week.

# **PRAYERS**

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

\*If you would like to be added to this public prayer list, please contact Jamie (office@holytrinityonline.org).

# **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

Open The Eyes Of My Heart

**GREETING** 

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (SUNDAY)** 

**CREW TIME DISMISSAL (WEDNESDAY)** 

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Psalm 121(read responsively)

GOSPEL

Luke 18:1-8

**MESSAGE** 

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

I Love To Tell The Story, ELW #661

**CREW TIME RETURNS (WEDNESDAY)** 

**OFFERING** 

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

**HOLY COMMUNION** 

Lamb of God Kum Ba Yah

Come To The Altar

**COMMUNION PRAYER** 

**BENEDICTION** 

**SENDING HYMN** Standin' In The Need Of Prayer

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**

Finances as of August 31, 2025	Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual	Campaign Gifts Received
Revenue	\$456,674	\$436,726	\$978,569
Expenses	\$454,708	\$450,686	Gifts to receive
Revenue -Expenses	\$1,966	-\$13,960	\$273,830

Reserve Fund Contributions: \$5,579 Reserve Fund Remaining Need: \$144,421

## **RESPOND**

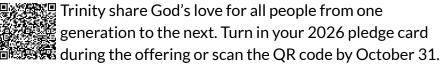
LISTENING SESSIONS: Following worship on November 2 and **November 5, Transition Team members want your feedback!** Attend a Listening Session after worship or one of the Community Small Group Listening Sessions:

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



2026 PLEDGE CARDS: October is Stewardship Month! Holy

Trinity is committed to preparing the 2026 budget with a prayerful, responsible, and generous process. Your gifts help Holy



**LEADERSHIP NOMINATION:** Your voice matters! Please nominate voting members for open roles by completing the 2026 **Leadership Nomination Form. Scan the QR code or pick** up a paper version in the church office. Thank you for reflecting on this important decision.

**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 being a worship assistant (usher, reader, communion server, slide runner, or livestream tech), please contact Jamie at office@holytrinityonline.org or call 952.758.3513.

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!

### **SERMON NOTES**

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

1. Other than Jesus, who are the main characters in this Gospel story?

2. Listen to the pastor's message. Write down at least one 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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**OCTOBER 19, 2025 OCTOBER 22, 2025** 

**SUNDAY: 9 AM** 

**WEDNESDAY: 6 PM** 

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

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