

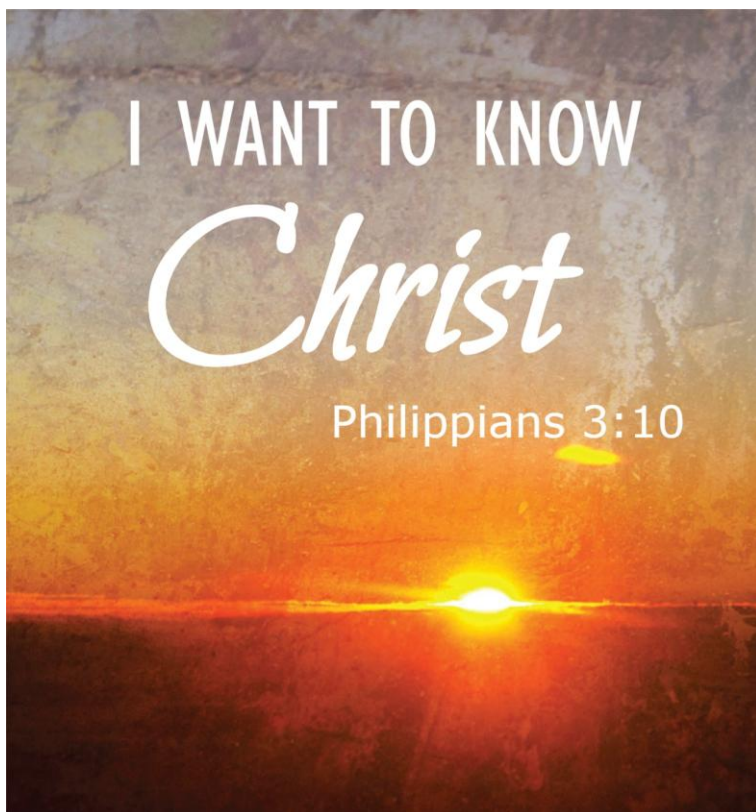
GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Sunday, October 4, 2026

Trinity Lutheran Church

499 4th Ave. NW, Valley City, ND

Our Mission: "Love God. Love Others."



In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

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October 4, 2026— Nineteenth Sunday after PENTECOST

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Welcome to you who are visitors among us; please sign our guest book, take a "Welcome" bag home, and do come worship with us again. *To those of you looking for a church home, we invite you to join this community of faith, as we seek to grow and serve in God's grace and love.*

***: Please stand, in body or spirit.**

Large print bulletins are available at the back table.

"Busy Bags" for small children's use during Worship on back hand rail.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

***Confession & Forgiveness**

L: Compassionate God,

C: we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy & bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world & reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

L: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ✝ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace. **C: Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn:** *"Let Us Go Now to the Banquet"* #523 ELW

***Apostolic Greeting (C: And also with you.)**

***Kyrie** #157 ELW

***Prayer of the Day** (*Today's Readings insert*)

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First Reading:

Isaiah 5:1-7

Responsive Psalm Reading:

Psalm 80:7-15

Second Reading:

Philippians 3:4b-14

***Gospel Acclamation:** *"Halle, Halle, Halle"*

#172 ELW

***Gospel Reading:**

Matthew 21:33-46

***Responses: "Glory to you, O LORD"/"Praise to you, O Christ."**

Hymn: *"Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"*

#808 ELW

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In Our Thoughts/Prayers: Michelle Carlblom, Bernadette Botner, Bernie Walters, Tim Yokom, Marleen Pytlik, Madonna Bacher-Slack, Bea Tait, Gayle Hoff, Chad Henningsgard, Karen Magnuson, Beth Busche (Kathy Hoef's sis-in-law), Don Clark; EaND Synod Bishop Tessa Moon Leiseth/ELCA Bishop Rev. Yehiel Curry; PEACE

"Trinity Family" to pray for this week: Patty Beil, Judy Johnson Berg, Marge Bessette, Marla Boom

This Week @ TLC:

Today, October 4th: ***Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

9 a.m. Sunday School (Kndg- gr. 6)

10 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion

11 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

11:15 a.m. Confirmand meeting in TLC library (gr. 10 & 11)

Mon., Oct. 5th: *Pr. Diane's Sabbath*

12 p.m. Sr. High Youth lunch @ OSLC

Tues., Oct. 6th: **10:30 a.m.** Bible Study group @ ODC crafting

4 p.m. Christian Education meeting

Wed., Oct. 7th: **9 a.m.** Quilters **10 a.m.** Worship @ Bridgeview Est.

3:15-5 p.m. Kids Club @ Faith Lutheran (gr. 4-6)

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class @ Faith Lutheran (gr. 7-9)

7:30-9 p.m. Sr. High Youth @ OSLC (gr. 10-12)

Sat., Oct. 10th: **10 a.m. – 1 p.m.** Fall Festival @ Faith Lutheran (*insert*)

Next Sunday, Oct. 11th: ***Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost***

Pastor Appreciation Sunday!



9 a.m. Sunday School (Kndg – gr. 6)

10 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Mission Breakfast for Casa de Fe in TLC dining room; all proceeds benefit an orphanage in Ecuador.

11 a.m. Info meeting regarding parsonage

6 p.m. Set up help needed for Community Closet @ OSLC



Crafters, Bakers, Gift Basket Creators needed!

On Saturday, Nov. 7th, TLC WELCA will be having their annual Fall Festival. Besides the delicious casserole luncheon, we will be having a sale of: baked goods, crafts, quilts, greeting cards & gift baskets. If you would like to donate any of these items for the festival, please have them to the church on or before 2 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 6th. For the gift baskets & craft items, please only donate baskets/crafts that are \$30 or less; and please specify the item's value when dropping it off to the church so they can be priced accordingly.