

Our Calendar October 26 – November 2, 2025

Sunday, October 26 – Reformation Sunday

8:00 am Divine Service
9:30 am Education Hour
10:45 am Divine Service
3:00 pm Reformation Celebration (LHS)

Monday, October 27

5:30 pm Stephen Ministry
6:30 pm Divine Service

Tuesday, October 28

Wednesday, October 29

9:30 am Adult Bible Study (FH)
11:00 am Sunday Service TV Broadcast
(Spectrum 990 & U-verse 99)
3:30 pm Midweek Confirmation Class
5:45 pm Men’s Choir
7:00 pm Mixed Choir

Morning Meditations
WHBL 1330am
7:26am & 10:45am
Luther Memorial

The Lutheran Hour
Broadcast Sundays at:
6:30 am WTMJ 620AM
5:00 pm WJUB 1420AM

Thursday, October 30

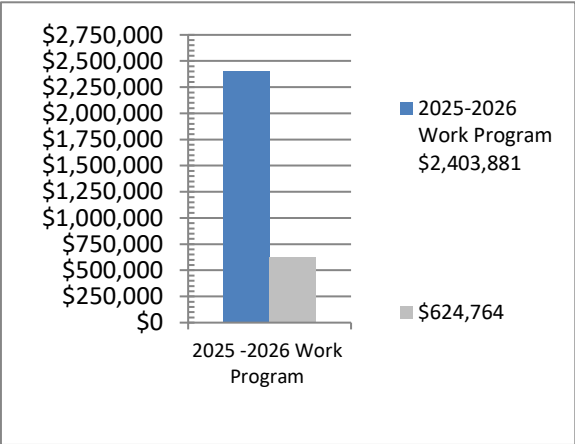
9:00 am Women’s Bible Study (FH)

Friday, October 31

7:00 am Men’s Bible Study (FH)

Sunday, November 2 – All Saints

8:00 am Divine Service
9:30 am Education Hour
10:45 am Divine Service



“No Fear. Just Faith!”

†† The Festival of the Reformation ††

October 26/27, 2025

THE SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

THE PRESIDING MINISTER: Rev. John M. Berg
THE ASSISTING PASTOR: Rev. Timothy J. Mech
THE ORGANIST: (8:00 & 10:45) Nancy Glatczak, (6:30) Paulette Krueger
THE CHOIR: (8:00 & 10:45) Mixed Choir
THE MUSCIANS: Isabelle Harder, John Jordan (Trombone); Hans Otten, Jim Schlieder (Trumpet); Colleen Rindt (Flute)
THE SERVERS: (8:00) Audrey Wiltzius, Lilly Toerpe, Bentley Velier, Holden Karls, (10:45) Kensington Moss, Brandon Friedl, Hope Pape, Autumn Hirt
THE COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: (8:00) Joel Swank, Jeff Jurss, Dennis Barrow, Jerry Toerpe; (10:45) Eric Nimmer, Adam Glatczak, Jeff Roethel, Hans Otten; (6:30) Jeff Maletzke, Tim Muth
COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Pam Langen & Carol Dekker
COFFEE HOUR TREATS: Diane Meyer
SOUND BOOTH TEAM: Ron Mueller, Tom Kelly, Lance Meyer, Joshua Rach

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PRAYER UPON ENTERING: God of love, through Your Son You have commanded us to love one another. By the guidance of Your Word and Spirit, deliver us from impenitence and teach us the truth that we might confess our sins, receive Your forgiveness, and be reconciled to one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME: We cordially welcome you to the Lord's Service this day. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, the following suggestions may be helpful to you:

- The Divine Service is printed on the panel.
- Hearing devices are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- The time before the service is a time of prayer and preparation to receive the gifts of salvation. In addition to prayer, look over the readings and the words to the hymns during this preparation time. A booklet entitled, "The Divine Service" located in the pew rack may also assist you in understanding worship at Trinity.
- Please silence all cell phones and refrain from taking pictures. Thank you.
- **Visitors, please sign the guest register located in the Narthex.**

GUESTS AND THE LORD'S SUPPER: If you desire to commune, please speak to one of the Pastors before the service. Our altar is open to those who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. All others are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. If you are not receiving the sacrament, you may indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest in the shape of an X.

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY: A study of the scripture readings and hymns of the week will be available on our website on Friday mornings under the "Worship with Us Online" section and following the "Weekly Bible Study" button. This study is led by Pastor Mech and Pastor Berg. Be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel so you get notified of new content. Online Bible Study content will be updated and available every Friday morning.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL, AND CHILDCARE PODCAST: You can also listen to the weekly Bible Study and the Sermon of the week on our website, on the go on your phone, on your computer in your favorite music player, or in your car -- just by searching "Trinity Lutheran Sheboygan" in your favorite podcast application. It is available on all major Podcast platforms. The Sermon for that week will be available Sunday Afternoon after the 8am Divine Service. Be sure to subscribe to the Podcast in your favorite player so you can get notified when new episodes are added.

PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN: Welcome to Trinity. We are glad you are here and have brought your children to worship. We invite you to use the church bags, Bibles, and children's bulletins found at each entrance to the sanctuary. While we want children to participate in the entire Divine Service, we understand that there may be times when you must leave the service for a little while. At these times, you may -use the Music Room, located next to the Narthex, or the Luther Room, located downstairs across from the restrooms. Both locations have the livestream of the service televised so you can continue to follow along. Changing tables are in the music room restroom and the restrooms downstairs. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

FLOWERS GIVEN THIS SUNDAY TO THE GLORY OF GOD:
† In celebration of the Reformation

THANK YOU!

-For supporting our LWML with your prayers
-For supporting our LWML by taking a Missionary Prayer Rock home with you
-For supporting our LWML by bringing your mites for God's mission in our world
Last Sunday we talked about LWML Sunday. We celebrate this LWML mission-minded ministry and know that it is an honor and a privilege for us to pray for and give our mites for the furthering of His mission. **To God all glory!**



REFORMATION CELEBRATION SERVICE: Please join us this afternoon for the annual Reformation Celebration at Lutheran High School. The guest Speaker is Rev Dan Paavola. The service begins at 3:00 pm in the LHS Fine Arts Center.

A **CALL COMMITTEE** has been appointed by the Board of Christian Day School for the position of School Principal. Members of the committee are Ramona Nimmer, Allison Toerpe, Anders Ekblad, Lori Ladiges, Pastor Mech, Jerry Toerpe, Kim Roethel and Tom Yurk.

Trinity Lutheran Church and School is looking for names of **candidates for School Principal**, starting the 2026-2027 school year. If you have a name of a qualified candidate, please contact Tom Yurk at 920-980-7531 or email him at tomyurk4@gmail.com. Thank you.

PLEASE JOIN BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH in a prayer of thanksgiving as Pastor Azor Cigelske has accepted the call to be their next Pastor! Pastor Cigelske will be installed at Bethany ([222 Church St. Kohler, WI](#)) on Sunday, November 2 at 4:00pm. All are invited to attend the service. We will have a catered dinner following the service. If you are interested in attending the dinner, please RSVP by emailing the church at info@blckohler.com or call 920-457-4681. Please RSVP for the dinner no later than Tuesday, October 28.

SCRIP ORDER DATES:



- Nov. Every Week
- Dec. 7 and 14

Break for the Holidays...will resume orders January 4th

NEAT REPEATS UPCOMING SALES:

10/28-11/1 Halloween Decorations & Costumes 50% Off



TRINITY DINE TO DONATE UPCOMING DATES:

- November 19 - Noodles & Co.
- December 9 - Tom's Drive In
- January 21 - Qdoba

TELL THE GOOD NEWS! The Reformation reminded the church that salvation is "by Grace through Faith," that is, by God's *gift* in Christ humbly received through Spirit-worked *trust* in Him and not by our own doing. Lord, keep us steadfast in this faith! And ever help us to invite still others to come and hear this Good News of Him and what He Has done for all the world! *The Rev. Robert Zick, Director of Evangelism*

DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING ONE

PRELUDE

INVOCATION: **p.151**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: **#578**
(vs. 2 & 4: Choir)

KYRIE: **p. 152**

HYMN OF PRAISE: **p. 155**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT: **p. 156**

O. T. READING: Rev. 14:6-7

GRADUAL: **Choir**

EPISTLE READING: Rom. 3:19-28

ALLELUIA & VERSE: **p. 156**

HOLY GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

NICENE CREED: **p. 158**

HYMN: **#656**

SERMON

Text: Psalm 46
Theme: "No Fear. Just Faith!"

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

OFFERING/FRIENDSHIP REGISTER:

OFFERTORY: **p. 159**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT: **p. 160**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT:
#659, #954, #909, #960

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: **p. 164**

BENEDICTION: **p. 166**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: **#655**

POSTLUDE

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER & DEVOTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Invocation

Introit (front page)

Meditation: Portals of Prayer

Prayer/Devotion

Daily Readings: LSB p. 301

Sun: Deut. 28:1-22; Matt. 18:1-20

Mon: Deut. 29:1-29; Matt. 18:21-35

Tues: Deut. 30:1-20; Matt. 19:1-15

Wed: Deut. 31:1-29; Matt. 19:16-30

Thurs: Deut. 31:30-32:27; Matt. 20:1-16

Fri: Deut. 32:28-52; Matt. 20:17-34

Sat: Deut. 34:1-12; Matt. 21:1-22

In Our Prayers This Week:

† Bernadette Strate, sister of Tom Hoem; Sue Mack, cousin of Beth Riemer; Jennifer Pralle, sister of Katherine Pape; Sharon Riemer, sister-in-law of Beth Riemer; Benjamin Rondeau; Tim Fjeldstad; Joy Maletzke, mother of Jeff Maletzke; Nancy Moudry; Linda Haas; June Margenau; Lois Eatherton; Scott Roscovius, friend of Marlene Fors; Tim Kinne, father of Paula Harder; Charles Wagner, friend of Allen VanDeLoo, all in cancer treatment

† Dave Augustine in hospice care

† Robert Badtke, Darryl Carlson, Nate Yeager, Anthony Dobrinsky, Chaplain Paul Rockrohr, Nathaniel Slimmer, Anthony Parotta, Jax Melcher, Naomi Harder, Ben Stucky, Jake Melcher, and Thomas Roberts, serving our country in the military

† Our college and seminary students preparing for careers in church work: James Pape, Peyton Roethel, Reagan Makela, Simeon Roberts, Rebekah Berg, and Madelyn Rahn

† Wally Hennell, recovering after knee replacement surgery

† Jim Hermann, recovering after open heart surgery

† Curtiss Greatens, brother of Kevin Greatens, hospitalized

† The birthday of Al Pentek

† Randy Pitsch hospitalized

† Bob White, recovering after a hospital stay

† The family of Marshall Goers, father of Laurie Schultz

† Trinity staff member: Mrs. Melissa Hauch, middle school teacher

Hymn of the Week: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* **LSB #656**

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

GENESIS BIBLE STUDY... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Genesis, chapters 37-50. You can listen on-demand at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

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Introit

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.

I will bless the LORD at | all times;*

his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;*

let the humble hear | and be glad.

Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*

I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.

The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;*

none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*

in the city | of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*

consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,

that you may tell the next gener- | ation*

that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

Next Sunday's Readings: Rev. 7:9-17, 1 John 3:1-3 Matt. 5:1-12

Learn by Heart: Intro to the Lord's Prayer **LSB p. 323**



TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL: In this week's lesson, "A Nativity Night," Mary and Joseph travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem, where a simple stable serves as the birthplace for the promised Christ Child. Angelic hosts announce the birth of the Savior to ordinary shepherds, who hasten to worship the child.

Having seen the Savior in the flesh, the shepherds quickly spread the news of His birth. Ask one another, "How can we share the message of the birth of the Savior today?"

Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

John 8:31-36

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

STEWARDSHIP: Revelation 14:6 – "Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people." During the Reformation, this text was used to refer to Luther's ministry and the Lutheran message. We have an eternal Gospel to proclaim. Christ has freed us from our sins without any works on our part. We are saved by grace alone! And, ironically enough, Luther said this should make him the "apostle of works." Once we are freed by grace, we are truly free to serve God in works that flow from thankfulness and praise.

Notes on Today's Service

Treasures from the Church: "I am Lutheran for the same reason that I am a Christian. It is not by choice but by grace. The teachings of the Lutheran Church place Jesus at the center because the teachings of the Scriptures place Jesus at the center. No other confession shows such fidelity to the truth of God's Word. No other confession so glorifies Christ by placing Him at the center of all it confesses and teaches. Being a Lutheran is truly all about Jesus. St. Peter says, 'There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.' (Acts 4:12) Why I Am a Lutheran –Jesus at the Center Dr. Daniel Preus Concordia Publishing House 2004

Today's Reading: "Wisdom is justified by her deeds" (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son, has justified us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and "remain in the house forever" (John 8:35). He is "a friend of tax collectors and sinners" (Matt. 11:18-19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel "to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people" (Rev. 14:6), "the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law" (Rom. 3:21), "that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus" (Rom. 3:26). And by the hearing of that Gospel of Christ Jesus, "whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith" (Rom. 3:25), "you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" John 8:31-32).

Liturgy and Hymnody: "When you stay away from church for no good reason, the bad reason is diminishing Jesus and intrusion of human factors. You are content with yourself and feel that you can manage another week without gathering in the name of Jesus and receiving forgiveness and strength from Him through Word and Sacrament. You can do without the church. You know jolly well you cannot, and if you allow for these intrusions, this pushing off of Jesus, you are not in danger, you need some reformation. Do not give up your reformation, your membership in the church. That membership is powerfully expressed as you worship your way through the liturgy and hymns, which is a pattern of worship in which you join fellow members in the holy Christian church of many centuries and many places. This reaches a climax in Holy Communion when we acknowledge ourselves to be together with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven." Dr. Noman Nagel

Sermon: Fear surrounds our lives—wars, disasters, political turmoil, sickness, loss. Yet the worst fear of all is not knowing God, for without Him, every other fear is absolute. Psalm 46 reminds us that even when the earth gives way, "God is our refuge and strength." Martin Luther understood fear. He once trembled before God's judgment, trying desperately to earn His favor. But when the Gospel of Romans 3 opened his eyes—"all have sinned... and are justified by His grace as a gift"—his terror turned to faith. The God who could condemn instead gives Himself to save. This is the heart of the Reformation: God does not just give blessings; He gives Himself—Christ crucified and risen for us. Through Word and Sacrament, this same Christ gives Himself still. In Baptism He claims us. In Absolution He forgives us. In the Lord's Supper, He feeds us with His own Body and Blood. Here, in the Divine Service, God serves His people, freeing us from fear and filling us with His peace. The angel's message in Revelation 14—"Fear God and give Him glory"—is not a threat but comfort. It proclaims the fall of Satan and the victory of the Lamb. The highest worship of God is to receive His gifts with faith and thanksgiving. Luther's hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God confesses this truth: the devil rages, the world trembles, but Christ's Word stands firm. Because Jesus has conquered death, we are free—free to live without fear. So, when the world shakes, when judgment seems near, you can say with confidence: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. No fear. Just faith. Just Jesus.

LET'S MAKE THIS NIGHT SHINE!



FATHER-DAUGHTER ★ DANCE ★

PTL NEEDS YOUR HEART & HANDS!

**WE'RE LOOKING FOR A TEAM TO HELP
MAKE THIS SPECIAL NIGHT HAPPEN!**

**IF YOU LOVE PLANNING, DECORATING OR JUST SPREADING
JOY, WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU ON BOARD!**

Planning starts after Christmas break

INTERESTED? EMAIL US AT: ptl@trinitysheboygan.org

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Abortion intentionally and directly destroys innocent human life, and it is always wrong to intentionally and directly destroy innocent human life. This 40-day campaign will end November 2. There will be a Closing Rally at the vigil site at 6 p.m. After Nov. 2 you can still sign up to pray during the hours/days Planned Parenthood is open. www.40daysforlife.com/sheboygan. Contact Germaine 920-918-2310 or Gina 920-917-9324.



PANCAKE SUPPER: St Mark Lutheran Church Men's Club is holding their annual Pancake Supper featuring potato pancakes, wheat pancakes, along with sausage, applesauce, cake, coffee and milk. It is Sunday, November 9th, from 3:00pm-6:00pm, in St. Mark's Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$6.00 for children ten years old and younger, and \$11.00 for adults. Tickets may be purchased from the Men's Club or from the church office. For more information, please contact the church office (920-458-4343).

CHILIE SUPPER: Grace Lutheran, Elkhart Lake, is having their annual Chili Supper, Tuesday, November 4, 4-7 pm. Serving all-you-can-eat chili, bread, crackers, cheese sticks, beverage, and homemade tortes. Take out also available. Sponsored by Grace Ladies Guild.



Food Drive

Trinity is collecting items for our church's food pantry and area families. Items can be brought to the church and placed in the collection bin in the lounge.

These items will be the focus of the next

5 Sundays:

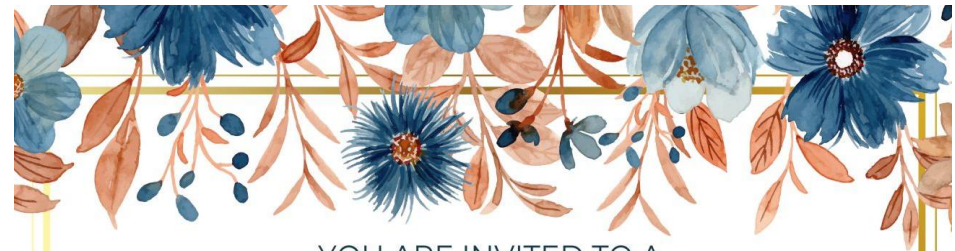
OCTOBER 26th - cereal & oatmeal packets

NOVEMBER 2nd - peanut butter/nuts

NOVEMBER 9th - canned soups & fruit

NOVEMBER 16th - canned tuna/chicken/other meat

NOVEMBER 23rd - microwaveable meals



YOU ARE INVITED TO A

Retirement PARTY

IN HONOR OF :

Chris Melcher

Sunday, November 9
12:00pm

Trinity Sheboygan
Gym

Meal prices: \$10 per adult, \$5 per child ages 10 and younger

We are also collecting monetary donations towards a cash gift.

Please RSVP with the following form or by contacting the school office. (920)458-8248 or rindt@trinitysheboygan.org. RSVP and payment are due Thursday, October 30. Please make payments in the SCHOOL office.

Family Name: _____

Number Attending: Adults _____ Children _____

Amount Included (\$10 per adult, \$5 per child): _____

Additional Amount for Gift: _____