

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity 21 September 2025

Schedule

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9:30 AM Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service

Today's Hymns

| Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death | LSB 697 |
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| What Is the World to Me | LSB 730 |
| Offertory | LSB 192 |
| Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed | |
| Jesus Sinners Doth Receive | LSB 609 |
| Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy | LSB 774 |
| O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee | LSB 632 |
| Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious | LSB 495 |

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33Teach me, O Lord, the way of your | statutes;* and I will keep it | to the end.

34Give me understanding, that I may | keep your law* and observe it with my | whole heart.

35Lead me in the path of your com- | mandments,* for I de- | light in it.

36Incline my heart to your testi- | monies,*

and not to | selfish gain!

37Turn my eyes from looking at | worthless things;* and give me life | in your ways.

38Confirm to your servant your | promise,*

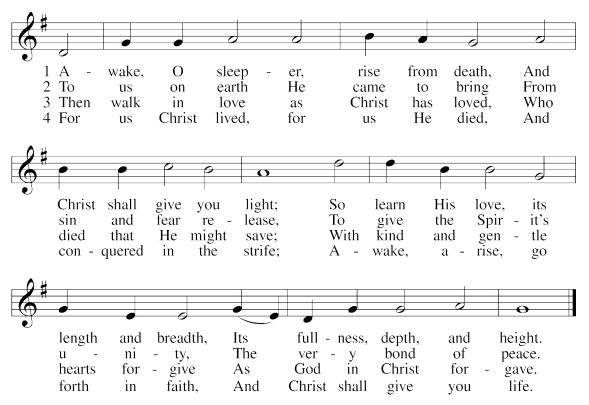
that you | may be feared.

39Turn away the reproach | that I dread,*

for your just de- | crees are good.

40Behold, I long for your | precepts;*

in your righteousness | give me life!



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Confession and Absolution

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- ealso In the name of the Father and of the <math>
 ealso Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Service of the Word

+ Introit

Psalm 92:1–5; antiphon: Matthew 9:13b, c



I desire mercy, and not | sacrifice.*

For I came not to call the righteous, but | sinners.

It is good to give thanks | to the Lord,*

to sing praises to your name, | O Most High;

to declare your steadfast love in the | morning,* and your faithful- | ness by night,

to the music of the lute | and the harp,*

to the melody | of the lyre.

For you, O Lord, have made me glad | by your work;* at the works of your hands I | sing for joy.

How great are your works, | O Lord!*

Your thoughts are | very deep!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit;* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I desire mercy, and not | sacrifice.*

For I came not to call the righteous, but | sinners.

+ Kyrie LSB 186

Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

+ Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187

- P Glory be to God on high:
- and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
 We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

+ Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And with thy spirit.
- Let us pray. O Son of God, our blessed Savior Jesus Christ, You called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist. Through his faithful and inspired witness, grant that we also may follow You, leaving behind all covetous desires and love of riches; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

+ OLD TESTAMENT READING......Ezekiel 2:8—3:11

"But you, son of man, hear what I say to you. Be not rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you." And when I looked, behold, a hand was stretched out to me, and behold, a scroll of a book was in it. And he spread it before me. And it had writing on the front and on the back, and there were written on it words of lamentation and mourning and woe. And he said to me, "Son of man, eat whatever you find here. Eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel." So I opened my mouth, and he gave me this scroll to eat. And he said to me, "Son of man, feed your belly with this scroll that I give you and fill your stomach with it." Then I ate it, and it was in my mouth as sweet as honey. And he said to me, "Son of man, go to the house of Israel and speak with my words to them. For you are not sent to a people of foreign speech and a hard language, but to the house of Israel— not to many peoples of foreign speech and a hard language, whose words you cannot understand. Surely, if I sent you to such, they would listen to you. But the house of Israel will not be willing to listen to you, for they are not willing to listen to me. Because all the house of Israel have a hard forehead and a stubborn heart. Behold, I have made your face as hard as their faces, and your forehead as hard as their foreheads. Like emery harder than flint have I made your forehead. Fear them not, nor be dismayed at their looks, for they are a rebellious house." Moreover, he said to me, "Son of man, all my words that I shall speak to you receive in your heart, and hear with your ears. And go to the exiles, to your people, and speak to them and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God,' whether they hear or refuse to hear."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

+ GRADUAL



Your word is a lamp | to my feet* and a light | to my path.

How sweet are your words | to my taste,* sweeter than honey | to my mouth!

My heart overflows with a | pleasing theme;* my tongue is like the pen of a | ready scribe.

+ THE EPISTLE Ephesians 4:7–16

But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men." (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

+ ALLELUIA AND VERSE......p. 190



Go therefore and make disciples of all |nations *
And behold, I am with you always, to the end | of the age

+ **TRIPLE ALLELUIA-** page 190

- The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.
- **C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to Thee, O Christ

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life \maltese of the world to come. Amen.



Text: Georg Michael Pfefferkorn, 1645-1732; tr. August Crull, 1845-1923, alt.

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+ Sermon

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P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

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Amen.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

+ Offering

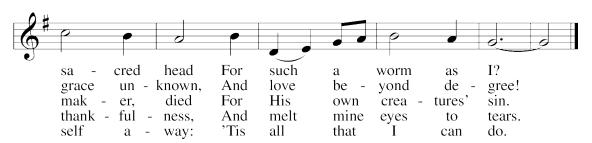
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+ PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

437 ALAS! AND DID MY SAVIOR BLEED







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Service of the Sacrament

+ Preface LSB 194

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- It is meet and right so to do.
- It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

+ Sanctus LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

+ Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

+ The Words of Our Lord LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My H blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

+ Pax Domini LSB 197

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- Amen.

+ Agnus Dei LSB 198

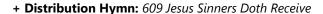
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

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+ Distribution









And from God and heav - en wan der! Here is hope for Here our ills have per - fect heal ing. Firm - ly in these Christ, the Shep-herd, gent - ly tak eth In His arms that Grant all re - mis sion. Let these words my for sins my



5 Oh, how blest it is to know:
Were as scarlet my
transgression,
It shall be as white as snow
By Thy blood and bitter passion;
For these words I now believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

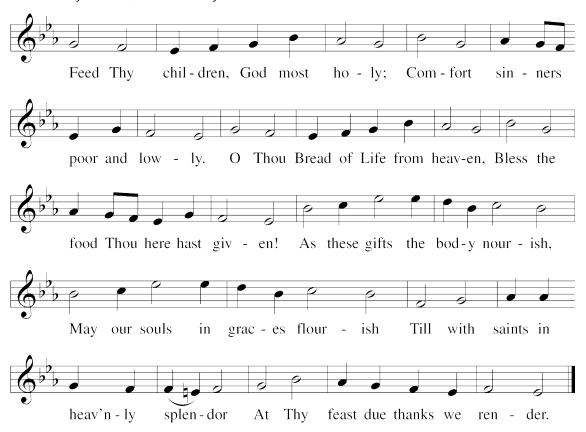
6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted.

Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive. 7 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

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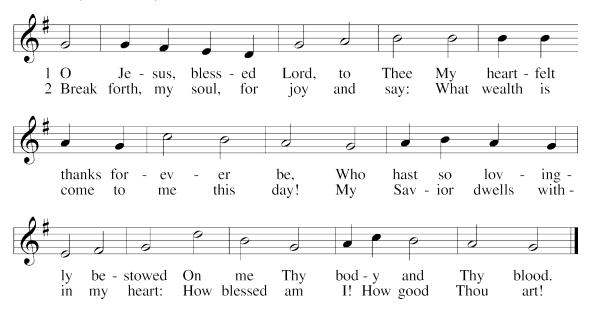


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+ Nunc Dimittis LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

+ Thanksgiving LSB 200

- f A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- **and His mercy endureth forever.**
- **A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your

Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

+ Salutation LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

+ Benedicamus LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

+ Benediction LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ♣ give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.



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