

# November 20



# based on 2 Corinthians 9:8-15

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#### **AS WE GATHER**

Today we wrap up our three-week sermon series called "Money Matters." Making our way through 2 Corinthians 8–9, we come to 2 Corinthians 9:8–15 where the apostle compares money to seeds. *Money to seeds?* Let's take a look.

#### HYMN OF INVOCATION

#### THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S

vs. 1-2

- 1 The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof. Redemption reminds us, O God, of your love. By grace we are learning, as year leads to year. We're called to be stewards, your caretakers here.
- Too often, O God, we abuse your good earth. We fail to remember its beauty and worth. We take from creation much more than we need, We threaten your mission through excess and greed.

#### \*INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP (FROM 2 CORINTHIANS 9:7-15)

- P In today's second reading Paul compares our money with seeds.
- C With the promise, "God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."
- P Forgive us, Father, for we often live as though these words do not matter.
- C As if they are not true.
- P And so instead of being generous, we become greedy.
- C Instead of giving, we grab.
- P Instead of sacrificing and surrendering, we store up and stockpile.
- C Instead of supplying and sharing, we keep and accumulate.
- P Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.
- C Create in us new hearts, and renew in us the desire to use our money in generous ways.
- P Hear the best news you will ever hear. "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor, so that we by his poverty might become rich." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I announce that you are forgiven—richly, fully and eternally—in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift.

May we be good stewards of all that you give. Extending your Gospel wherever we live.

May we be a church that renews and restores

And lovingly cares for these gifts that are yours.

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## \*SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of your cross. Forgive us our offenses that we, being governed by your bountiful goodness, may demonstrate with our lips and our lives large amounts of generosity; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Proverbs 11:24-28

<sup>24</sup>One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want.

<sup>25</sup>Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.

<sup>26</sup>The people curse him who holds back grain, but a blessing is on the head of him who sells it.

<sup>27</sup>Whoever diligently seeks good seeks favor, but evil comes to him who searches for it.

<sup>28</sup>Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** 2 Corinthians 9:8–15

<sup>8</sup>And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. <sup>9</sup>As it is written,

"He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever."

<sup>10</sup>He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup>You will be enriched in every way for all your generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. <sup>12</sup>For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. <sup>13</sup>By their approval of this

service, they will glorify God because of your submission flowing from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, <sup>14</sup>while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. <sup>15</sup>Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### \*ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

\*HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 25:31–46

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup>Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup>And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. <sup>35</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? <sup>38</sup>And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? <sup>39</sup>And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' <sup>40</sup>And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

<sup>41</sup>"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' <sup>44</sup>Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' <sup>46</sup>And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

\*NICENE CREED—See sanctuary projection or inside back cover of the pew hymnal

SERMON

**SOWING AND HARVESTING** 

**OFFERING** 

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#### \*DEDICATING OUR OFFERINGS FOR THE COMING YEAR

- P We pause, O God, in this moment of dedication to reflect on what we have let go, and on what we have kept back, what we have given in the past and what we plan to give in the future. And we reflect upon the overwhelming claim you have on all we possess. Make us more faithful, more generous, and more cheerful givers. We join in thankful praise for the apostle Paul, who teaches us about "Money Matters"
- C Father, providing food for your children.
- P Inspire our stewardship with this amazing grace, "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich." (2 Corinthians 8:9)
- C By your wise guiding, teach us to share.
- P Enliven our stewardship with the wisdom, "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7)
- C One with another, so that rejoicing.
- P Empower our stewardship with the promise, "You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." (2 Corinthians 9:11)
- C With us all others, may know your care.
- P O God, we dedicate our offerings for the coming year to You in response to Your great grace of salvation in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

#### \*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition

- P Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

#### \*PRFFACE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### \*SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

#### \*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

\*LORD'S PRAYER —See sanctuary projection or inside back cover of the pew hymnal

#### \*PAX DOMINI

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

#### \*AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

**DISTRIBUTION** Distribution is at the rail, with both common cup and individual cup; de-alcoholized wine in center of tray. Gluten free wafers available by signifying to pastor/elder. Please use the pew cards to register your attendance at Holy Communion, placing cards in the offering plate as you exit.

HYMN LORD JESUS THINK ON ME LSB 610 HYMN ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME LSB 761

#### \*THANK THE LORD

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

## \*BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

## \*HYMN TO DEPART PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW LSB 805

 $\triangle$  1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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Serving our Lord

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		November 20, 2022	November 27, 2022		
Musician		Open	Diane Streich		
Cantor		Andy Koch	Andy Koch		
Altar Guild		Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger	Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger		
Elder	8am	Sam Erdman	Jon Peterson		
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Kurt Vallin		
Reader	8am	Chris Martin	Jon Peterson		
	10:30am	Tim Morris	Kurt Vallin		
Usher Team	8am	Layne Streich	Gary Sheets		
	10:30am	Lance Halverson	Open		
Greeter(s)	8am	Open	Karen Turnmire		
	10:30am	Open	Open		
Acolyte(s)	8am	Jacob Seeman	Open		
	10:30am	Dana Vallin	Dana Vallin		
Projectionist	8am	Matt Seeman	Jean Peterson		
	10:30am	Caleb Morris	Open		
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas		



Thank you for supporting TLO Youth during our 2022 Gertens fundraiser! Orders will be available to pick up in the upstairs conference room Thanksgiving weekend at TLO.

- Wednesday and Thursday, Nov 23 and 24 after the worship service
- Saturday, Nov 26 from 10am-12noon
- Sunday, Nov 27 between worship services

COMI	COMING UP AT TLO — November 20, 2022 — November 27, 2022					
LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR						
Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion				
	9:15am	Voter's Meeting and Education Hour				
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion				
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship				
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible study				
	6:30pm	Trail Life				
Tue	7:00pm	Church Council				
Wed		No school-Thanksgiving Break				
	6:30am	Men's Bible study				
	6:30*pm	Thanksgiving Worship with Holy Communion				
Thur	9:00am	Thanksgiving Worship with Holy Communion				
Fri		No school-Thanksgiving Break; church office closed				
FIRST	FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT					
Sun	8:00*am	Worship				
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages				
	10:30am	Worship				
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship				
*wor	ship online at	www.trinityloneoak.org				

CHRISTMAS DECORATING
Saturday, December 3 | 9:00am | TLO Sanctuary

We are looking for volunteers to help decorate the Sanctuary and narthex for the Christmas season. Come for fellowship and fun while we decorate the Lord's House. Puffy Cream doughnuts and coffee served. No need to RSVP; just come with a cheerful heart!



MEN'S CHOIR Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21 | 7:15pm

We will work on Christmas and other music. Contact Jon Peterson for more info.

Celebrate the last Sunday of Pentecost, Nov. 20, with the **Christ the King Celebration Concert**, livestreamed from Concordia University - Wisconsin. This concert series is an annual tradition and features two of CUW's choral ensembles, Selah, the all women's hair and Kammarshar, the promise to using their **Pivon Known blowd** is a mamber of the

choir and Kammerchor, the premier touring choir. **Ryan Kroonblawd** is a member of the Kammerchor choir again this fall. The concert livestream begins at **3:30pm on Sun., Nov. 20** and may be viewed at *cuw.edu/MusicLive*.



# TRINITY LONE OAK LUTHERAN CHURCH VOTERS' MEETING AGENDA

November 20, 2022 | 9:15am | TLO Gym



- Call to Order
- Open Meeting with Devotion and Prayer
- Review Voters' Meeting Minutes from October 2, 2022
- Board and Officer Reports

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Written reports will be available on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> in the gym. Please review the reports and ask questions at the meeting.

Pastor's Report	Principal's Report	<b>Board of Christian Education</b>
Board of Elders	<b>Board of Endowment</b>	<b>Board of Christian Outreach</b>
Board of Trustees	Board of Stewardship	Board of Social Ministry
Finance Secretary	Treasurer	President

## **Information reports**

- Peniel Evangelical Church Agreement
- YTF2 Update
- Easement Agreement Update

#### **New Business**

- Budget Update—change in staffing
- Election of Synodical delegate for 2023 meeting in Milwaukee
- Approval to review the TLO Constitution for updates and amendments
- Board and Officer Nominations and Elections

Vice President—Open

Board of Worship—Chair

Board of Elders—3 Open

Board of Youth—Chair

Board of Social Ministry—Chair

Board of Trustees—2 Open

New Members signing of constitution

Motion to Adjourn Close with Prayer

## **WEEKLY DEPOSITS: November 13, 2022**

General Fund Income:		
Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	4,925.00
(Our offering budget is \$8,175 per week)		
Building Reserve Fund	\$	240.00
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)		
Thrivent Choice to Current and Mission	\$	600.00
Thrivent Choice to 1883 School Annual Fund	\$	140.00
Sunday school	\$	1.50
1883 School Annual Fund	\$	405.00
1883 Fund in memory of Corinne Kroonblawd	\$	50.00
1883 Fund in memory of Jeanne Aeschliman	\$	40.00
Current and Mission in memory of Howard Kobow	\$	50.00
Trail Life USA Troop 2950	\$	50.00
Tuition	\$	4,895.79
Chapel	\$	167.76
Church and school fees	\$	3,373.40
Subtotal General Fund Income	nt and Mission in memory of Howard Kobow  ife USA Troop 2950  n  \$ h and school fees tal General Fund Income \$ come (not available for general fund spending)  \$	14,938.45
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)		
YTF2	\$	441.00
YTF2 in memory of Corinne Kroonblawd	\$	20.00
Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	25.00
Acorn Scholarship Fund in memory of Corinne Kroonblawd	\$	300.00
Young Investors Stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	242.00
Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	1,028.00



# **Operation Christmas Child**

TLO sent 140 boxes for distribution by Samaritan's Purse. Thank you to all the volunteers who supported this life changing project!



# **Genesis: The Bible's Most Important Book**

You are invited to attend Pastor Lessing's Third Annual Bible Seminar on Saturday, January 28 from 9a-3p. This year we will look at Genesis and meet

Adam and Eve, Noah and his family, Abraham and Sarah, along with Joseph and his brothers. Most importantly, we will meet the God who made heaven and earth who loves us dearly. Lunch included. Sign up today to attend in person or via Zoom. And invite a friend to attend with you!

## **Remember in Prayer**

Ryker Buecksler, and mother Becca Tramm, born October 18 and in need of prayers as he grows Pam and Eddie Burdick, continued health

Steve Clark, long recovery from burst appendix

Rich and Dixie Cliff

Ginny & Steve, Hannah's coworker, as Ginny is diagnosed w/ stage 4 non hodgkin's lymphoma Ed Jones, father of David Jones and Julie Casby, in need of prayer

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandeen) angoing health concerns

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Dan Linse, successful surgery; pray for full recovery

Brian Motz in need of our prayers

Ian Olander, TLO Grade 3 student, receiving treatments on tumor

John Prusak, Keith's father, struggling with Parkinson's and dementia

Arnold and Shirley Streich, Layne's parents, as Arnold transitions to nursing home care

Billy D. Swain, ongoing health concerns

Laverne and Beverly Ziebell, thanksgiving to God for His mighty hand in their lives. Beverly has transitioned home; prayers that she can get the care she needs at home.



Flowers on the altar are in memory of Lloyd Sachs. A memorial service and inurnment was held at Trinity Lone Oak on Friday, November 18. Please keep Lloyd's family in your prayers as they mourn his passing.



# Birthdays this week

Nov. 20 Melissa Washington

Nov. 21 Joshua Jebin

Nov. 23 Michael Carlson, Mark Stueve

Nov. 24 Luke Ahrens, Kathy Jones

Nov. 25 Deb Volkert

## Anniversaries this week

Nov. 26 Roger and Lois Schaaf (67 years!)

"THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S AND EVERYTHING IN IT, THE WORLD AND ALL WHO LIVE IN IT." PSALM 24:1

#### **Welcome Guests**

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to one of our pastors, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

**For those with small children,** a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children's bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

**Restrooms** are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

**Large print copies of the worship folder** are available. Please ask an usher.

**Today we celebrate Holy Communion.** Please speak with one of our pastors or an elder before communing if this is your first time receiving the Lord's Supper at TLO. The light-colored wine in the center of the individual communion tray is de-alcoholized wine, where the alcohol is reduced to .05%.

# **Thanksgiving Worship Schedule**

Thanksgiving is a time for us to gratefully rejoice in what God has granted to us through the riches of creation, blessings of family and friends and the bounty of our faith that enriches us with forgiveness and new life. Invite your friends and neighbors to attend with you or to view this uplifting service of praise to our Creator! Pick up a postcard in the narthex and invite a friend or neighbor to worship with you!



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Thanksgiving Eve Service November 23 | 6:30pm\*

\*livestream at trinityloneoak.org

Thanksgiving Day Service November 24 | 9:00am





This month, bring in a donation for the *Food Group* which supports food banks throughout the Twin Cities area. Please focus on healthy food items that are low in salt and high and protein. We will also take cash donations which can be used to supplement food shelf offerings with fresh food. Please take advantage of this great opportunity to respond to the bounty the Lord has given us. Event sponsored in part by *Thrivent Financial*.