



"The thing you are doing is not good." - Nehemiah 5:9

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\*congregation stands

**WELCOME**

*New to Trinity Lone Oak? See back cover for guest information.*

**AS WE GATHER**

Have you ever turned a conflict into a catastrophe? Sure, we *all* have. Thank God he gives us Nehemiah who, in the fifth chapter of his book, lays out five proven steps to solving conflicts. *It is worth a very close look!*

**\*INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP**

P Jesus promises,  
 C **I will build my church,**

P And the gates of hell will not overcome it!  
 C **And so we say with great joy,**

P My hope is built on nothing less,  
 C **Than Jesus' blood and righteous.**

P No merit of my own I claim,  
 C **But wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

P On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
 C **All other ground is sinking sand.**

P All other ground is sinking sand.  
 C **Let us worship our merciful and loving God.**

P Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

**\*HYMN**

**My Hope is Built on Nothing Less**

**LSB 576, vs. 1, 2, 3**



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than  
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I  
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup -



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
 rest on His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
 port me in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

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## \*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P In today's reading from the fifth chapter of Nehemiah we learn that it is in God's heart to resolve conflict.

C **Heavenly Father, most of the time we don't resolve conflict; we avoid it;**

P By wearing masks, playing games and pretending that everything is "just fine."

C **At other times we allow our feelings to build up and then we explode.**

P Most of the time we assume that we know all the facts and that we are totally right.

C **And then there are times when we avoid possible solutions,**

P Instead we insist on total victory and unconditional surrender.

C **Father, none of this works.**

**It only builds barriers between us and you and between us and others.**

P Until we feel isolated and lonely, without peace and without hope.

**ALL: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.**

P Upon this, your confession, as a called and ordained servant of Christ I announce to you the Gospel truth of Romans 5:1, "Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." You have peace with God and you have peace with others, through the merits and mercy of Jesus, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. And so we say with great joy!

C **On Christ the solid rock I stand,**

P All other ground is sinking sand.

C **All other ground is sinking sand!**

## Hymn

## My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

LSB 576, vs. 4

4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
Clothed in His righteousness alone,  
Redeemed to stand before His throne!

ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.

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## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus, conflict abounds in our hearts and in our homes. Send us your Holy Spirit to bring peace, reconciliation and forgiveness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God forever.

C **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Nehemiah 5*

<sup>1</sup>Now there arose a great outcry of the people and of their wives against their Jewish brothers. <sup>2</sup>For there were those who said, "With our sons and our daughters, we are many. So let us get grain, that we may eat and keep alive." <sup>3</sup>There were also those who said, "We are mortgaging our fields, our vineyards, and our houses to get grain because of the famine." <sup>4</sup>And there were those who said, "We have borrowed money for the king's tax on our fields and our vineyards. <sup>5</sup>Now our flesh is as the flesh of our brothers, our children are as their children. Yet we are forcing our sons and our daughters to be slaves, and some of our daughters have already been enslaved, but it is not in our power to help it, for other men have our fields and our vineyards."

<sup>6</sup>I was very angry when I heard their outcry and these words. <sup>7</sup>I took counsel with myself, and I brought charges against the nobles and the officials. I said to them, "You are exacting interest, each from his brother." And I held a great assembly against them <sup>8</sup>and said to them, "We, as far as we are able, have bought back our Jewish brothers who have been sold to the nations, but you even sell your brothers that they may be sold to us!" They were silent and could not find a word to say. <sup>9</sup>So I said, "The thing that you are doing is not good. Ought you not to walk in the fear of our God to prevent the taunts of the nations our enemies? <sup>10</sup>Moreover, I and my brothers and my servants are lending them money and grain. Let us abandon this exacting of interest. <sup>11</sup>Return to them this very day their fields, their vineyards, their olive orchards, and their houses, and the percentage of money, grain, wine, and oil that you have been exacting from them." <sup>12</sup>Then they said, "We will restore these and require nothing from them. We will do as you say." And I called the priests and made them swear to do as they had promised. <sup>13</sup>I also shook out the fold of my garment and said, "So may God shake out every man from his house and from his labor who does not keep this promise. So may he be shaken out and emptied." And all the assembly said "Amen" and praised the LORD. And the people did as they had promised.

<sup>14</sup>Moreover, from the time that I was appointed to be their governor in the land of Judah, from the twentieth year to the thirty-second year of Artaxerxes the king, twelve years, neither I nor my brothers ate the food allowance of the governor. <sup>15</sup>The former governors who were before me laid heavy burdens on the people and took from them for their daily ration forty shekels of silver. Even their servants lorded it over the people. But I did not do so, because of the fear of God. <sup>16</sup>I also persevered in the work on this wall, and we acquired no land, and all my servants were gathered there for the work. <sup>17</sup>Moreover, there were at my table 150 men, Jews and officials, besides those who came to us from the nations that were

around us. <sup>18</sup>Now what was prepared at my expense for each day was one ox and six choice sheep and birds, and every ten days all kinds of wine in abundance. Yet for all this I did not demand the food allowance of the governor, because the service was too heavy on this people. <sup>19</sup>Remember for my good, O my God, all that I have done for this people.

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

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### \*HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 10:35-41*

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.
- C **Glorify to You, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup>And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" <sup>39</sup>And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." <sup>41</sup>And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John.

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

**\*APOSTLES CREED** — *See projection slides or the inside back cover of the pew hymnal*

### SERMON **Rebuilding the Ruins: Resolving Conflict (Nehemiah 5:1-19)**

#### SERMON HYMN

#### God of Grace and God of Glory

LSB 850



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple  
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -  
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;  
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this  
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these  
 grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's  
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.  
 days, For the liv - ing of these days.  
 goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.  
 dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

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## OFFERING

Place your gift in the plates as you exit or give online at [www.trinityloneak.org/giving](http://www.trinityloneak.org/giving)

## \*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Lord God, heavenly Father, we pray for an end to our conflicts and the strife that has taken hold of our hearts and homes.

C **Take away the hurt and the armor we've put on to protect ourselves.**

P Lift us out of the pit of unforgiveness.

C **Speak through us so that our words reflect peace and reconciliation.**

P Tear down the barriers we've built,

C **And teach us how to walk through conflict and into peace.**

+ Additional Prayers +

P Lord, our need for resolving conflict is great, but your resources in the Gospel are greater still. And so we pray confidently for peace and reconciliation, in the strong and living name of Jesus.

C **Amen.**

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

## \*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.**

**CLOSING HYMN      We Have Been Sent to Serve**    Tune: **Crown Him with Many Crowns**, vs. 1, 3, 4

1    We have been sent to serve  
By Christ, our Servant King,  
Who gave His life that we might live;  
New life to others bring.  
Our Lord and Master's grace  
Impels each faithful one  
To hold the lost in His embrace  
Each daughter, ev'ry son

*Please stand*

4    To God the Father sing  
A high doxology;  
Unto Christ Jesus ever bring  
A hymn sung glor'ously!  
Then to the Spirit raise  
Psalms of unending joy,  
As we, with willing spirit, praise  
Our LORD and God on high!

3    Our ransom has been paid  
For Christ, who conquered death,  
Rose from the grave, came to our aid,  
With His life-saving breath.  
He reigns as LORD of all;  
He shall return again.  
Until His coming, heed His call  
That all might heaven gain.

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**For Next Week:**

Read Nehemiah 6:1–19 and answer these questions: Nehemiah announces, "I'm doing a great work and cannot come down." (Nehemiah 6:3)

What great work are you doing for Christ?

What tempts you to come down and stop?

Nehemiah's enemies try to derail him through innuendo and intimidation.

How have these hindered your life's calling?

What do you plan to do about them in the future?

What are the three most enduring truths you've learned from our time in Nehemiah?

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## Serving our Lord

		October 10, 2021	October 17, 2021
Musician		Diane Streich	Marissa Bernau
Cantor		Andrew Koch	Andrew Koch
Altar Guild		Jane Shull and Joanie Wachter	Jane Shull and Joanie Wachter
Elder	8am	Sam Erdman	Sam Erdman
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Jon Peterson
Reader	8am	Chris Martin	Peter Olsen
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Tim Morris
Usher Team	8am	Brian Nack	Layne Streich
	10:30am	Terry Stoerzinger	Lance Halverson
Greeter(s)	8am	Open	Carolyn Wesling
	10:30am	Open	Open
Acolyte(s)	8am	Amelia Martin and Audrey Martin	Open
	10:30am	Andrew Swenson and Jacob Seeman	Caleb Morris and Roba Benya
Projectionist	8am	Chris Martin	Peter Olsen
	10:30am	Matt Seeman	Jean Peterson
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas



As we begin our worship this morning, Isaac Koch joins his piano teacher, Diane Streich, playing *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*, arranged by David von Kampen. Isaac is a student in the third grade class at TLO School. Thank you, Isaac, for using your developing musical talent to glorify God and enhance our worship.

### TLO Youth Selling Christmas Wreaths and Poinsettias



Support our TLO youth with beautiful wreaths, greens and poinsettias from Gertens!

To view a list of available items, go to [www.gertensfundraising.com](http://www.gertensfundraising.com) (store ID is 299) or stop by the TLO Youth table in the narthex between services October 10 and 17. Online orders with credit card can be placed directly from our secure Gertens ordering page until 10pm on October 21 (enter TLO YOUTH under 'seller name' in the order). Proceeds support TLO Youth attending the 2022 National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. Contact Tim Morris with questions: [tmorris@ml1.net](mailto:tmorris@ml1.net), cell 651-346-9781.



### Donuts and Coffee TODAY!

Enjoy a donut and coffee between services today. Eagan's own Puffy Cream donuts available for a free-will donation to help with the National Youth Gathering trip to Houston next year. Thank you for supporting TLO Youth!





### TLO Congregation Endowment

The Endowment Board has approximately \$5,900.00 available for non-budgeted, non-recurring expenses. If your TLO board can use all or part of this amount, complete a request form and return it to the TLO Endowment Board via church office mailbox by Oct. 17

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### Acolyte Training

All grade 5-8 students are welcome to acolyte in worship. Chris Martin provides training October 24 and November 7 at 9:15am each day in the sanctuary. Come get trained so you can offer your service!

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### Attention Men

We're building a contact list of men willing to be called upon to assist TLO congregation members and community in tangible ways such as lawn care, general home repair, car maintenance, moving furniture, etc. To be added to the list, send an email with your contact information to Jean Peterson. Thank you! —Pastor Kroonblawd

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### Sunday Hoops | begins tonight | 6:00pm

High school kids, college aged men and women, 30 year olds, 40 year olds, 50 year olds, and 60 year olds can play. Really all ages are welcome!

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### Volleyball League | begins today | 1:00pm

LCMS circuit volleyball for men and women, 18+, 1:00pm Sundays, Redemption Lutheran Church, Bloomington. Read more about it on the narthex bulletin board.

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Our hearts  
in HIS hand

*Above all, keep loving one another earnestly (1 Peter 4:8).*

### LWML Collection Sunday —

### TODAY and every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month

Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1–4), the Mite Box is intended for regular contributions of "mites" — offerings above and beyond the support given to congregations and the LCMS. Mite Box contributions amount to millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants and implement the LWML program.

Empty your Mite Box offering in the larger box in our narthex. Don't have a mite box? Take one today, fill it, and bring it back every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. While you're at it, take a bookmark explaining the mission grants for 2021-2023. Thank you for your support!

**COMING UP AT TLO — October 10, 2021 — October 17, 2021****TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Sun	8:00*am	Worship in sanctuary
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship in sanctuary
	4:00pm	BB skills clinic for K-3 boys and girls
	4:40pm	BB skills clinic for grade 4-8 boys and girls
	5:30pm	9th grade confirmation class
	6:00pm	Adult Hoops
	6:30pm	Pizza for TLO Youth
	7:00pm	NYG meeting
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible study
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible Study
Thur	6:30pm	Board of Christian Education
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word (WoW)

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	6:00pm	Adult Hoops

\*worship online at [www.trinityloneoak.org](http://www.trinityloneoak.org)**Birthdays this week**

- Oct 10 Andrew Koch, Jason Pieper, Aaron Zeches
- Oct 11 Amealia Martin, Norm Sell
- Oct 12 Kevin Olander
- Oct 13 Brian Motz
- Oct 14 Gerald Roszak
- Oct 15 Wendy Beckman, Susan Koch, Lisa Loge
- Oct 16 Joanne Naas, Peter Olsen

**Anniversaries this week**

- Oct 10 Jim and Jane Nicklas, Andy and Lana Olson
- Oct 12 Chris and Thea Rossmann, Chuck and Joanie Wachter
- Oct 16 Andrew and Michelle Koch

## WEEKLY DEPOSITS: October 3, 2021

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	9,005.00
	(Our offering budget is \$7,980 per week)		
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	441.00
	(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)		
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	20.00
	Acorn Scholarship Fund—IMO Herman Gennrich	\$	95.00
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	500.00
	1883 School Annual Fund—IMO Herman Gennrich	\$	90.00
	Sunday school	\$	3.00
	Chapel offering	\$	126.99
	Tuition	\$	20,237.90
	Church and school fees	\$	734.78
	<b>Subtotal General Fund Income</b>	\$	<b>31,253.67</b>
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	565.00
	YTF2—IMO Herman Gennrich	\$	20.00
	YI Stamps, an investment of Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	358.00
	<b>Subtotal Special Fund Income</b>	\$	<b>943.00</b>



### Remember in Prayer

Daryl Buecksler recovering from knee replacement surgery

Corrine, Jenna's mom, prayers during chemo treatment appreciated

Gary Foley recovering from surgery

Jebin Joseph, recovering from surgery; family requests ongoing prayer through follow up care

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Richard Hermanson, father of Mary Ann Nagengast, TLO preschool teacher, in transition care

Ian Olander, TLO grade 2 student, updates on [caringbridge.org/visit/iano](https://caringbridge.org/visit/iano)

Charlie Olson, Andy's dad, undergoing cancer treatment

Marvin Rahn for strength and good health while living at Brookdale in Eagan

Jane Shull, recovering from knee replacement surgery

Joanie Shockley, recovering from laser surgery on her knee

Edsel Vierling, age 3, returned to hospital this week

Jason Vierling, recovering from leg amputation

Glenn and Dianne Vierling, in need of continued prayer for recovery after covid

Laverne Ziebell, prayers requested as he works through ongoing health problems

## 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.

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## **STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY** – *Ministry Opportunities*

Today we are remembering the many gifts God has given to each of us and rejoice at these gracious gifts. Each of us is unique and special in God's eyes and He gives each one gifts to serve in the ministry. We read in 1 Peter 4:10, "*As each has received a gift use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.*" Included this week is a handout titled "Ministry Opportunities". Please take time this week to review the opportunities listed. Then prayerfully consider a way that you can serve the Lord at TLO. After prayer, put your faith into action, and contact one of those listed on the back cover of the brochure.



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## **TLO to Celebrate 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – October 24, 2021**

Even though we wanted to celebrate in 2020 and now we are in our 141<sup>st</sup> year of ministry, we are going to celebrate on Sunday, October 24th. During worship we hear the Rev. Dr. Robert Rahn preach in both services. His ancestry goes back to our congregations' beginnings. He is a native of Egan, Minnesota where his family farmed by what is known today as Rahn Road. He is the founder of the Lutheran Heritage Foundation which is instrumental in translating and producing Lutheran Confessional materials in native languages. The materials are used to start new churches and educating pastors around the world. Their work in Africa is of particular significance. Rev. Dr. Dinku Bato, Director of LHF's African Operations, an associate of Rev. Dr. Rahn, will join us during Bible Study to share the work of LHF. There will be refreshments to celebrate our anniversary in the gym so don't miss this fellowship and celebration opportunity as we recognize the longevity of our TLO ministry.