



"I am doing a great work and I cannot come down." - Nehemiah 6:3

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*\*congregation stands*

**WELCOME**

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**AS WE GATHER**

Nehemiah announces, "I'm doing a great work and I cannot come down." (Nehemiah 6:3) He stayed focused. He wasn't about to let up. Nehemiah was relentless. **A fresh jolt of this holy determination is God's gift to us, today!**

**\*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 O church, arise and put your armor on;  
 C **Hear the call of Christ our captain;**  
 P For now the weak can say that they are strong  
 C **In the strength that God has given.**  
 P With shield of faith and belt of truth  
 C **We'll stand against the devil's lies;**  
 P An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!"  
 C **Reaching out to those in darkness.**  
 P Let us worship our merciful and loving God.  
 C **Father, Son and Holy Spirit!**

**\*HYMN**

**OH, THAT I HAD A THOUSAND VOICES**

**LSB 811, vs. 1, 2**

<p>1 Oh, that I had a thousand voices                  To praise my God with thousand tongues!                  My heart, which in the Lord rejoices,                  Would then proclaim in grateful songs                  To all, wherever I might be,                  What great things God has done for me.</p>	<p>2 O all you pow'rs that He implanted,                  Arise, keep silence now no more;                  Put forth the strength that God has granted!                  Your noblest work is to adore.                  O soul and body, join to raise                  With heartfelt joy our Maker's praise.</p>
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**HOLY BAPTISM (10:30am)**

Lila Lorraine Nosal

**HYMN**

**OH, THAT I HAD A THOUSAND VOICES**

**LSB 811, vs. 3**

3 You forest leaves so green and tender  
 That dance for joy in summer air,  
 You meadow grasses, bright and slender,  
 You flow'rs so fragrant and so fair,  
 You live to show God's praise alone.  
 Join me to make His glory known.

## \*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P Almighty and most merciful Father, you call me, like you called Nehemiah, to do a great work, but too often I come down.
- C **I quit when Satan deceives me.**
- P I compromise when Satan discredits me.
- C **I resign when Satan disgraces me.**
- P You call me to fight the good fight, finish the course and keep the faith.
- C **But frequently I give in, give out and give up.**
- P Hear the good news! You might quit; but Jesus doesn't. You might compromise; but Jesus won't. You might resign; but Jesus can't. He is determined to love you. Forgive you. Die for you and win your salvation. You are now free and forgiven, forever! He who began a good work in you will complete on the day of Christ Jesus! And so with great joy we say,
- C **With shield of faith and belt of truth,**
- P We'll stand against the devil's lies!
- C **An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!"**
- P Reaching out to those in darkness!

## HYMN

## OH, THAT I HAD A THOUSAND VOICES

LSB 811, vs. 4

- 4 All creatures that have breath and motion,  
That throng the earth, the sea, the sky,  
Come, share with me my heart's devotion,  
Help me to sing God's praises high.  
My utmost pow'rs can never quite  
Declare the wonders of His might.

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## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**
- P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you overcame the enemy who tempted you to cease and desist from doing the Father's will. Give to us this same holy determination through the power and promises in your Holy Word; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Nehemiah 6:1-15*

<sup>1</sup>Now when Sanballat and Tobiah and Geshem the Arab and the rest of our enemies heard that I had built the wall and that there was no breach left in it (although up to that time I had not set up the doors in the gates), <sup>2</sup>Sanballat and Geshem sent to me, saying, "Come and let us meet together at Hakkephirim in the plain of Ono." But they intended to do me harm. <sup>3</sup>And I sent messengers to them, saying, "I am doing a great work and I cannot come down. Why should the work stop while I leave it and come down to you?" <sup>4</sup>And they sent to me four times in this way, and I answered them in the same manner. <sup>5</sup>In the same way Sanballat for the fifth time sent his servant to me with an open letter in his hand. <sup>6</sup>In it was written, "It is

reported among the nations, and Geshem also says it, that you and the Jews intend to rebel; that is why you are building the wall. And according to these reports you wish to become their king. <sup>7</sup>And you have also set up prophets to proclaim concerning you in Jerusalem, 'There is a king in Judah.' And now the king will hear of these reports. So now come and let us take counsel together." <sup>8</sup>Then I sent to him, saying, "No such things as you say have been done, for you are inventing them out of your own mind." <sup>9</sup>For they all wanted to frighten us, thinking, "Their hands will drop from the work, and it will not be done." But now, O God, strengthen my hands.

<sup>10</sup>Now when I went into the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah, son of Mehetabel, who was confined to his home, he said, "Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple. Let us close the doors of the temple, for they are coming to kill you. They are coming to kill you by night." <sup>11</sup>But I said, "Should such a man as I run away? And what man such as I could go into the temple and live? I will not go in."

<sup>12</sup>And I understood and saw that God had not sent him, but he had pronounced the prophecy against me because Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. <sup>13</sup>For this purpose he was hired, that I should be afraid and act in this way and sin, and so they could give me a bad name in order to taunt me. <sup>14</sup>Remember Tobiah and Sanballat, O my God, according to these things that they did, and also the prophetess Noadiah and the rest of the prophets who wanted to make me afraid.

<sup>15</sup>So the wall was finished on the twenty-fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty-two days. <sup>16</sup>And when all our enemies heard of it, all the nations around us were afraid and fell greatly in their own esteem, for they perceived that this work had been accomplished with the help of our God. <sup>17</sup>Moreover, in those days the nobles of Judah sent many letters to Tobiah, and Tobiah's letters came to them. <sup>18</sup>For many in Judah were bound by oath to him, because he was the son-in-law of Shecaniah the son of Arah; and his son Jehohanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam the son of Berechiah as his wife. <sup>19</sup>Also they spoke of his good deeds in my presence and reported my words to him. And Tobiah sent letters to make me afraid.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### \*HOLY GOSPEL

*Luke 4:1-13*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness <sup>2</sup>for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" <sup>5</sup>And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, <sup>6</sup>and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. <sup>7</sup>If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God,  
and him only shall you serve."

<sup>9</sup>And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup>for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you,  
to guard you,’

<sup>11</sup>and

“On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

<sup>12</sup>And Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” <sup>13</sup>And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**\*NICENE CREED** (8:00am) — *See projection slides or the inside back cover of the pew hymnal*

**SERMON** Rebuilding The Walls: I'm Doing A Great Work, I Cannot Come Down

**HYMN** **FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT** **LSB 664**

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|---|--|---|---|
| 1 | Fight the good fight with all your might;<br>Christ is your strength, and Christ your right.<br>Lay hold on life, and it shall be<br>Your joy and crown eternally.         | 3 | Cast care aside, lean on your guide;<br>His boundless mercy will provide.<br>Trust, and enduring faith shall prove<br>Christ is your life and Christ your love. |
| 2 | Run the straight race through God's good grace;<br>Lift up your eyes, and seek His face.<br>Life with its way before us lies;<br>Christ is the path, and Christ the prize. | 4 | Faint not nor fear, His arms are near;<br>He changes not who holds you dear;<br>Only believe, and you will see<br>That Christ is all eternally.                 |

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**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P Merciful Father, we come before you, exhausted, hurting, and in need of holy determination.

C **The hardships we face sometimes feel unbearable.**

P We are weary of Satan's incessant plans to deceive, discredit and disgrace us.

C **Like Nehemiah, we find strength and resolve in your Holy Word.**

P Like Jesus, we find wisdom and power in your Holy Word.

C **Like your saints of old, we find joy and endurance in your Holy Word.**

P Thank you Jesus that, like Nehemiah, you refused to come down.

C **You finished the work of our salvation!**

P And so with renewed zest and zeal we announce to the world,

**ALL: "I'm doing a great work and I cannot come down."**

+ Additional Prayers +

P Father transform us from the inside out so that we fight the good fight, keep the faith and finish the course; in Jesus' name we pray.

C **Amen.**

## \*PREFACE

- 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.**

## \*PROPER PREFACE

### \*SANCTUS

LSB 195

- C **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, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER** (8:00am) — *See projection slides or the inside back cover of the pew hymnal*

### \*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

### \*PAX DOMINE

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

### \*AGNUS DEI

LSB 198

- C **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.**

**DISTRIBUTION** Please use the pew cards to register your attendance at Holy Communion, placing cards in the offering plate as you exit.

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- |                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Lord Take My Hand and Lead Me | LSB 722 |
| Lord of Our Life              | LSB 659 |

## THE DISMISSAL

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.  
C **Amen.**

## \*THANKSGIVING

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
C **and His mercy endureth forever.**

## \*BENEDICTION

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.**

## HYMN TO DEPART

1 Jerusalem the golden,  
With milk and honey blest—  
The promise of salvation,  
The place of peace and rest—  
We know not, oh, we know not  
What joys await us there:  
The radiancy of glory,  
The bliss beyond compare!

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## JERUSALEM THE GOLDEN

*please stand*

4 O sweet and blessèd country,  
The home of God's elect!  
O sweet and blessèd country  
That faithful hearts expect!  
In mercy, Jesus, bring us  
To that eternal rest  
With You and God the Father  
And Spirit, ever blest.

## LSB 672 vs. 1, 4

## SILENT PRAYER

Jesus, one more time, hear my pledge and my proclamation, "I'm doing a great work and I cannot come down!" Amen.

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### Baptism today

We rejoice as Lila Lorraine Nosal receives the gift of the Holy Spirit through baptism at our 10:30am service. Lila is the infant daughter of Blake and Amber (nee' LaValle) Nosal. Lila's sponsors are Andrew LaValle, Kaleb Fischer and Jessica Marquardt.

Flowers on the altar are in memory of Lila's great-grandparents, Earl and Marlene Schindeldecker, and Lila is the fourth generation to be baptized at TLO. Welcome to Lila's family and friends worshipping at TLO today!

### Serving our Lord

		October 17, 2021	October 24, 2021
Musician		Marissa Bernau	Diane Streich
Cantor		Andrew Koch	Dave Workman
Altar Guild		Jane Shull and Joanie Wachter	Jane Shull and Joanie Wachter
Elder	8am	Sam Erdman	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Jon Peterson	Jon Peterson
Reader	8am	Peter Olsen	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Tim Morris	Jon Peterson
Usher Team	8am	Layne Streich	Gary Sheets
	10:30am	Lance Halverson	Paul Anderson
Greeter(s)	8am	Carolyn Wesling	Open
	10:30am	Open	Open
Acolyte(s)	8am	Open	Open
	10:30am	Caleb Morris and Roba Benya	Ayantú Benya
Projectionist	8am	Peter Olsen	Matt Seeman
	10:30am	Jean Peterson	Jean Peterson
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas



#### Amnion's Online Auction

Part of the Gala festivities include our online auction! Register to bid at [biddingowl.com/apc](http://biddingowl.com/apc) and check out the many items we have so far. Bidding begins Monday, October 18 at 8:00am and closes on Friday, October 22 at 10:00pm. Thank you!



#### 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@m11.net](mailto:tmorris@m11.net), cell 651-346-9781.

**COMING UP AT TLO — October 17, 2021 — October 24, 2021**

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion in sanctuary
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion 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
	6:00pm	Adult Hoops
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible study
	6:30pm	Trail Life USA
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible Study
	12:30pm	TLO School early dismissal
	2:00pm	Board of Stewardship
Thur		No school; church office open
Fri		No school; church office open

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Sun	8:00*am	Worship in sanctuary
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages; acolyte training for grades 5-8
	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
	6:00pm	Adult Hoops

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



**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.



**Attention Men**

We're building a contact list of men willing to be called upon to assist TLO congregation and community in tangible ways such as lawn care, general home repair, car maintenance, moving furniture, etc. Contact the church office to be added to the list.



**Operation Christmas Child at TLO November 14**

Operation Christmas Child brings shoe boxes filled with gifts along with the message of the Gospel to children in desperate situations all over the world. Now's the time to start thinking about the need and shopping for items to put into your box!

**WEEKLY DEPOSITS: October 10, 2021**

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	8,219.00
(Our offering budget is \$7,980 per week)			
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	1,876.00
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)			
	Thrivent Choice to Current and Mission	\$	20.00
	Current and Mission—IMO Herman Gennrich	\$	90.00
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	200.00
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	900.00
	Sunday school	\$	4.00
	Chapel offering	\$	48.64
	Tuition	\$	14,513.64
	Verizon Tower Rental	\$	1,791.08
	Church and school fees	\$	1,029.61
	<b>Subtotal General Fund Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>28,691.97</b>
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	1,030.00
	YI Stamps, an investment of Lutheran Church Extension	\$	286.00
	<b>Subtotal Special Fund Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,316.00</b>



**Marathon goal exceeded**

Thanks to everyone who supported our school with a marathon donation this year. We raised over \$14,000 exceeding our goal of \$10,000. To God all praise and glory!

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**Bible Seminar at TLO—Save The Date**

**January 22, 2022 | 9am - 3pm**

Pastor Lessing will lead our annual Bible seminar using his new book: *Jeremiah: Overcoming Life's Sorrows*. Lunch is included. Register at [trinityloneoak.org](http://trinityloneoak.org) or with the church office.

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**Adult Hoops | Sundays | 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!



## Remember in Prayer

Daryl Buecksler thanksgiving that knee replacement recovery is going so well  
 Corrine, Jenna's mom, prayers during chemo treatment appreciated  
 Gary Foley recovering from surgery  
 Marlys Illsley recovering from a stoke  
 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](http://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  
 Billy D. Swain, ongoing health concerns.  
 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

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Rev. Jim & Lynn Kroonblawd are pleased to announce the birth of granddaughter, Joanna Esther, on October 12, 2021 to Rev. Cory & Tori Kroonblawd. Joanna joins big brother Isaiah and she will be baptized on Oct. 17 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Sac City, Iowa. *"Fear not; I have Redeemed you; I have called you by name; You are Mine."* – Is. 43:1

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## Birthdays this week

Oct 17 Leann Becker, Lois Schaaf, Roger Schaaf  
 Oct 18 Erbey Estrada, Elle Montez, Ashlee Zeches  
 Oct 19 Alan Turnmire  
 Oct 20 William Kolesar, Ai Nguyen, Austin Rudoll  
 Oct 21 Jim Perron, Hannah Heath  
 Oct 22 Taylor Erdman, Corey Perron, Jessica Schmeckpeper

## Anniversaries this week

Oct 18 Michael and Lisa Loge  
 Oct 22 Rich and Dixie Cliff (66 years!)  
 Oct 23 David and Kathy Jones, Rachel and Michael Wallace

## 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 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%.



*Rev. Robert Rahn  
preaching in Tanzania*

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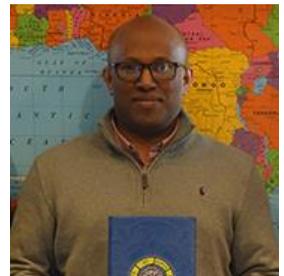
## TLO to Celebrate 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – October 24, 2021

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 our 140<sup>th</sup> on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

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 Eagan, 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 educate pastors around the world. Their work in Africa is of particular significance.

Rev. Dr. Dinku Bato, Director of LHF's African Operations, and an associate of Rev. Dr. Rahn, is a native Ethiopian and recently returned from teaching at our seminary in Sudan. During Oct. 24 education hour, he will share the mission of LHF in 90 countries, working in 128 languages.

There will be a door offering for LHF and refreshments in the gym to celebrate our anniversary so don't miss this fellowship and celebration opportunity as we recognize the longevity of our TLO ministry.



*Rev. Dinku Bato,  
Dir. African Operations*