



“Let us arise and build!” - Nehemiah 2:18

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*congregation stands

WELCOME

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AS WE GATHER

Theme of the Day: In Nehemiah chapter two **Murphy's Law is in full force.** There are delays, setbacks and fierce opposition. As we rebuild our ruins we need to pay close attention to how Nehemiah responds to his vast array of problems.

*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 righteousness.**
 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 Let us worship our merciful and loving God.
 C **Father, Son and Holy Spirit!**

*HYMN

MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

LSB 575, vs. 1, 2



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on



blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
 His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.

Refrain

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

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P In today's first reading, Nehemiah, when faced with adversity, demonstrates patience, fortitude and wisdom.
- C **Gracious Father, when we are faced with adversity, frequently we give up, give in and give out.**
- P In fact, our sinful nature responds to setbacks with impatience, fatigue and foolishness.
- C **Instead of waiting on you, we worry.**
- P Instead of praying and planning, we become perplexed and then we procrastinate.
- C **Lamb of God.**
- P You take away the sin of the world.
- C **Lamb of God.**
- P You take away the sin of the world.
- C **Lamb of God.**
- P Grant us your peace. God grants us peace through the forgiveness won by Jesus Christ. Paul puts it this way in 1 Corinthians 15:57-58. "Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." And so we say with great joy!
- C **My hope is built on nothing less.**
- P Than Jesus' blood and righteousness!

*HYMN OF PRAISE MY HOPE IS BUILD ON NOTHING LESS LSB 757, vs. 3, 4

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| 3 His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood;
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand. | 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!
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand. |
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*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you overcame the enemy with Holy Scripture; setbacks in the power of the Spirit; and death by your mighty resurrection. Grant to us these same gifts as we seek to rebuild the ruins of our lives; for you live and reign with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Nehemiah 2

¹In the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, I took up the wine and gave it to the king. Now I had not been sad in his presence. ²And the king said to me, "Why is your face sad, seeing you are not sick? This is nothing but sadness of the heart." Then I was very much afraid. ³I said to the king, "Let the king live forever! Why should not my face be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' graves, lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?" ⁴Then the king said to me, "What are you requesting?" So I prayed to the God of heaven. ⁵And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' graves, that I may rebuild it." ⁶And the king said to me (the queen sitting beside him), "How long

will you be gone, and when will you return?" So it pleased the king to send me when I had given him a time. ⁷And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, let letters be given me to the governors of the province Beyond the River, that they may let me pass through until I come to Judah, ⁸and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the fortress of the temple, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall occupy." And the king granted me what I asked, for the good hand of my God was upon me.

⁹Then I came to the governors of the province Beyond the River and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent with me officers of the army and horsemen. ¹⁰But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah, the Ammonite servant, heard this, it displeased them greatly that someone had come to seek the welfare of the people of Israel.

¹¹So I went to Jerusalem and was there three days. ¹²Then I arose in the night, I and a few men with me. And I told no one what my God had put into my heart to do for Jerusalem. There was no animal with me but the one on which I rode. ¹³I went out by night by the Valley Gate to the Dragon Spring and to the Dung Gate, and I inspected the walls of Jerusalem that were broken down and its gates that had been destroyed by fire. ¹⁴Then I went on to the Fountain Gate and to the King's Pool, but there was no room for the animal that was under me to pass. ¹⁵Then I went up in the night by the valley and inspected the wall, and I turned back and entered by the Valley Gate, and so returned. ¹⁶And the officials did not know where I had gone or what I was doing, and I had not yet told the Jews, the priests, the nobles, the officials, and the rest who were to do the work.

¹⁷Then I said to them, "You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burned. Come, let us build the wall of Jerusalem, that we may no longer suffer derision." ¹⁸And I told them of the hand of my God that had been upon me for good, and also of the words that the king had spoken to me. And they said, "Let us rise up and build." So they strengthened their hands for the good work. ¹⁹But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite servant and Geshem the Arab heard of it, they jeered at us and despised us and said, "What is this thing that you are doing? Are you rebelling against the king?" ²⁰Then I replied to them, "The God of heaven will make us prosper, and we his servants will arise and build, but you have no portion or right or claim in Jerusalem."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*GOSPEL READING

Luke 14:25–33

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

***NICENE CREED** –see projection or LSB 206

SERMON LET US ARISE AND BUILD!

based on Nehemiah 2:1-20

***HYMN HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION**

LSB 728



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
3 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose
4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,
5 "Through - out all their life - time My peo - ple will prove



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I will not, I will not, de - sert to his foes;
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.
My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can He say than to you He has said
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,
The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
And then, when gray hairs will their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er, for - sake!
Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.
Like lambs they will still in My bos - om be borne."

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***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P Father, Son and Holy Spirit, as we go about rebuilding our lives we experience a vast array of delays, setbacks and sometimes even fierce opposition.

C **Teach us from the book of Nehemiah,**

- P To pray and plan.
 C **To inspire believers and stand fast against unbelievers.**
 P Every time we are knocked down,
 C **Empower us to stand up.**
 P Give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
 C **So we stand firm and let nothing move us.**
 P We give ourselves fully to your work
 C **Because we are convinced that our labor in the Lord is not in vain!**
 + *Additional prayers +*
 P We are bold to place these prayers before you in the strong and living name of Jesus Christ.
 C **Amen.**

***PROPER 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.**
 P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times ...evermore praising You and saying:

***SANCTUS**

LSB 208



G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** –see *projection*

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

***PAX DOMINI**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

***AGNUS DEI**

LSB 210



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

O WORSHIP THE KING

LSB 804

THE DISMISSAL

***NUNC DIMITTIS**

LSB 211



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

*BENEDICAMUS

LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*BENEDICTION

HYMN TO DEPART

OH, THAT THE LORD WOULD GUIDE MY WAYS

LSB 707

FOR NEXT WEEK: READ NEHEMIAH 3:1-32

For next week: Read Nehemiah 3:1–32 and answer these questions:

1. While it may be tempting to skip this chapter, it contains some great insights. For instance, no one accomplishes a God-given vision alone. Who are you working with to rebuild your ruins?
2. Nehemiah was able to mobilize and empower forty-four separate groups of people for the task of rebuilding the wall! How did his moonlit reconnaissance mission in 2:13–16 prepare him for this task?
3. Chapter 3 reveals Nehemiah's extraordinary gifts of administration and organization. What would happen in your life if these gifts were used more frequently?

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Serving our Lord

		September 19, 2021	September 26, 2021
Musician		Marissa Bernau	Diane Streich
Cantor		Andrew Koch	Dave Workman
Altar Guild		Roxanne and Gary Foley	Roxanne and Gary Foley
Elder	8am	Open	Open
	10:30am	Jon Peterson	Open
Reader	8am	Tim Morris	Open
	10:30am	Keith Prusak	Open
Usher Team	8am	Gary Sheets	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Paul Anderson	Rich Cliff
Greeter(s)	8am	Carolyn Wesling	Open
	10:30am	Open	Open
Acolyte(s)	8am	Caleb Morris and Eric Hakanson	Open
	10:30am	Open	Seth Halverson & Elijah Halverson
Projectionist	8am	Tim Morris	Open
	10:30am	Jean Peterson	Lance Halverson
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas



Ultrasound models needed

Amnion nurses are being trained in limited obstetrical ultrasounds and we need ultrasound models. We are looking for women up to 16 weeks pregnant. Dates needed: Sept: 22, 23, 28, 30, Oct 5, 7, 11. All models will receive free ultrasound pictures and a \$15 Walmart gift card. Text (952) 334-2486 or email mlittle@amnionpc.org to schedule a model appointment.



Lifequote

“God has put us in our roles as life-affirming Lutherans in this place at this time. We must continue despite the world’s resistance. We must lean on God because He will support us. We must remember He has the words of eternal life!”

*Virginia Flo,
Regional Director of Minnesota and National Conference Director,
Lutherans for Life*

COMING UP AT TLO — September 19, 2021 — September 26, 2021		
SEVENTEENTH 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
	11:30am	Voter's Meeting
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible study
	6:30pm	Trail Life USA
Tue	10:30am	TLO leads worship at Lexington Pointe Senior Living
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible Study
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word (WoW)
Sat	9:00am	Women's Bible Study
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST		
Sun	8:00*am	Worship in sanctuary
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship in sanctuary
	5:30pm	9th grade confirmation class
	6:30pm	Pizza for TLO Youth
	7:00pm	NYG meeting
*worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org		

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	7,645.00
(Our offering budget is \$7,980 per week)			
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	1,316.00
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)			
	Thrivent Choice to Current and Mission	\$	10.00
	Thrivent Choice to 1883 School Annual Fund	\$	120.00
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	10.00
	Tuition	\$	2,465.26
	Church and school fees	\$	520.64
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	12,086.90
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	830.00
	YI Stamps, an investment of Lutheran Church Extension	\$	383.00
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	1,213.00



Remember in prayer

Pam Burdick, recovering at home and in need of our prayers
Rosella Brown, Pam's mom, working through several complicated health issues
Daryl Buecksler scheduled for knee replacement surgery September 20
Corrine, Jenna's mom, prayers during chemo treatment appreciated
Gary Foley recovering from surgery
Micheael Hinrichs, Andrea's son, recovering from open heart surgery
Jebin Joseph, recovering from surgery; family requests ongoing prayer through follow up care
Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns
Brian Motz - in need of our prayer
Richard Hermanson, father of Mary Ann Nagengast, TLO preschool teacher, hospitalized again
Ian Olander, TLO grade 2 student, updates on 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
Jon Sell, nephew of Irlene and Irma, hospitalized with COVID-19
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



Paul Heath and Hannah Starksen were married at TLO September 18. As their home congregation, it is our privilege to support them and pray for them as they begin their new life together. Marriage is God's design, and we rejoice that God is bringing this couple together for a life woven around Him. *"A cord of three strands is not quickly broken."* Ecc. 4:12. The mums that beautify our sanctuary are in Paul and Hannah's honor.



Please pray for the family of Herman Gennrich, Jean Peterson's dad. Herman, age 89, passed away Thursday, September 16 from complications of a fall the Monday prior. Funeral service will be Monday, September 27 at Zion Lutheran, Cologne. *"But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep."* 1 Thes 4:13-14

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%.

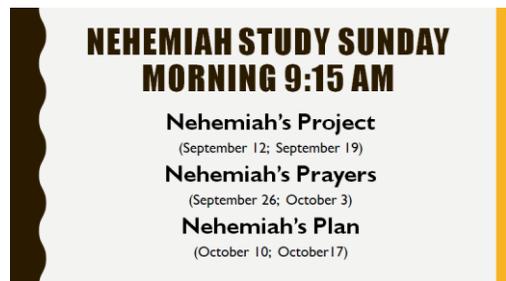


Birthdays this week

- Sept 20 Liz Flannery, Cindy Rahn, Jill Shockley
 - Sept 21 Thea Rossmann, Erin Turnmire
 - Sept 22 Linda Flannery, Selma Olsen
 - Sept 23 Rachel Volkert
 - Sept 24 Steve Perron, Taryn Rose
 - Sept 25 Emily Carlson, Jack Grimm, Chris Rossmann
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Sundays at 9:15am in the gym we continue our look at what it means to build a household of faith. Nursery care available for children not in Sunday school.



Sundays at 9:15am in the conference room we gather to find motivation about rebuilding the ruins. Join us!

