



Why?

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AS WE GATHER

When children cannot understand why they can't do something, the answer is often, "Because I said so." As they grow up, they may get the answers they seek. Job did not get an answer, but he kept his faith in his Creator. In the Gospel, the disciples cannot understand Jesus' walking on the sea, but when He is in the boat with them, they confess, "Truly You are the Son of God" (Matthew 14:33). Though we may ask God, "Why?" and Paul in the Epistle says we cannot understand God's reasons, we can confess with our mouths and believe in Christ's resurrection. It is an exercise of the faith God has so graciously given us. Why did He come to earth? He came to save us. In great might He destroyed death itself so that we might live with Him forever. That's why!

HYMN

JESUS, NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES

LSB 970

Je - sus, name a - bove all names, Beau - ti - ful
 Sav - ior, glo - ri - ous Lord. Em -
 man - u - el, God is with us, Bless - ed Re -
 deem - er, liv - ing Word.

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***INVOCATION**

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

***OPENING SENTENCES**

2 Samuel 22:47; Psalm 18:3, 6, 46

- P The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,
- C **and exalted be the God of my salvation.**

- P I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
- C **and I am saved from my enemies.**

P In my distress I called upon the LORD;

C **to my God I cried for help.**

P From His temple He heard my voice,

C **and my cry to Him reached His ears.**

P The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,

C **and exalted be the God of my salvation.**

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P Let us consider our unworthiness to come before almighty God and confess our sins to Him in the presence of one another.

We confess, Creator Lord, that like Job, we become angry at times with what You have allowed in our lives and we have wondered why.

C **Forgive our pride and turn us to humbly rely on Your gracious plans for us.**

P We confess, Savior Lord, that unlike Paul, we have neglected people around us who have not accepted Your sacrifice for them.

C **Forgive our self-centeredness and inaction, and move us to tell them the Good News as You provide opportunity.**

P We confess, Spirit of truth, that like Peter, we have failed to trust You in all things and have been overwhelmed by the storms of life.

C **Forgive our weakness of faith and enable us to follow where You lead the way.**

P All things in heaven and earth are under God's rule. His almighty power was shown chiefly in sending His Son into this fallen world to destroy the powers of sin, death, and the devil. Your pride, self-centeredness, weakness of faith, and anything else that would separate you from His great love have been forgiven for Jesus' sake. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

FROM ALL THAT DWELL BELOW THE SKIES

LSB 816

1 From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Alleluia, alleluia!

Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends Thy Word.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 All praise to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to Thee.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Whom with the Spirit we adore

Forever and forevermore:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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*SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.
Almighty and most merciful God,
C **preserve us from all harm and danger**

P that we, being ready in both body and soul,
C **may cheerfully accomplish what You want done;**

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.
C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38:4–18

⁴[The Lord said to Job:] "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone,
⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
⁸"Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb,
⁹when I made clouds its garment
and thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰and prescribed limits for it
and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?
¹²"Have you commanded the morning since your days began,
and caused the dawn to know its place,
¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,
and the wicked be shaken out of it?"

- ¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,
and its features stand out like a garment.
- ¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,
and their uplifted arm is broken.
- ¹⁶Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
or walked in the recesses of the deep?
- ¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
- ¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
Declare, if you know all this."

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

EPISTLE

Romans 10:5–17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or "'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22–33

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

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to

them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON HYMN

WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

LSB 543

SERMON

Why?

Job 38:4-18

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

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

P let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

*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 208

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

***PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

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

***PAX DOMINI**

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

***AGNUS DEI**

LSB 210

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| <p>C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.</p> | <p>2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.</p> |
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Text: Stephen P. Starke

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.

HYMN	BE STILL, MY SOUL	LSB 752
HYMN	PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND	LSB 739
HYMN	ON EAGLES' WINGS	LSB 727

***NUNC DIMITTIS**

LSB 211

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| <p>C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.</p> | <p>2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.</p> |
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***POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

***BENEDICTION**

***HYMN TO DEPART** **STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS** **LSB 660**

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

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Serving Our Lord

	August 13, 2023	August 20, 2023
Musician	Diane Streich	Merlin Simon
Cantor	Andy Koch	Andy Koch
Altar Guild	Roxanne Foley	Nancy Strand
Elder	Andy Olson	Kurt Vallin
Reader	Andy Olson	Kurt Vallin
Usher Team	Gary Sheets	Andy Olson and Jon Peterson
Greeter(s)....	Open	Carolyn Wesling
Acolyte(s)	Open	Sebastian Ness and Dana Vallin
Projection	Jean Peterson	Matt Seeman
Live Stream	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas



Sunday School Superintendent Needed

Trinity Lone Oak is looking for someone to supervise and administer Sunday school activities. This person meets with teachers/aids as needed, leads Sunday school opening, and works with Pastor Kroonblawd and the Board of Christian Education to develop and maintain a robust Sunday school. Skills include a desire to communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ to children. Please step forward and speak with Pastor Kroonblawd if this role interests you and uses your God-given gifts!



Amnion is looking for pregnant women for Nurse Ultrasound Training on Tuesday, August 29. Full details are on the narthex bulletin board.



Meals for Sue Zeches

Sue will be recovering from knee surgery through the end of August and TLO Congregation would like to support her with meals in the coming weeks. Please sign up to bring a meal at the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A45A95-meals> or contact the church office. No mushrooms, please, and meals will be provided on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays through Sept. 1. Questions? Contact Lynn Kroonblawd (651-235-8259).

COMING UP AT TLO — August 13, 2023 — August 20, 2023

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Sun	9:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion and LWML Sunday
	10:15am	Adult Bible class
	12:30pm-4:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities
Mon		Parking lot work continues
	10:00am	Adult Bible study
	12:30pm	12 Baskets / KFC donation for Dept of Indian Work
Tue	10:30am	TLO leads worship at Lexington Pointe Senior Living
	6:30pm	Board of Christian Outreach
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
Sat	11:00am	Memorial service for Paul Heath; visitation 10:00am
	3:00-7:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities

TWELVTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun	9:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15am	Rev. Stephan Wismar presents on call process
	12:30pm-4:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities



*worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org



Call process explained

Next Sunday, August 20 | 10:15-11:15am | TLO Gym

As part of the Yesterday, Today and Forever 2 (YTF2) Campaign, TLO raised funds to call an Assistant/Associate Pastor. To help the congregation understand the steps involved in calling a second pastor, Rev. Stefan Wismar, Executive Assistant to the President, Minnesota South District, will lead the Bible Study and explain the call process. All are encouraged to attend this special event.



Parking Lot Resurfacing through August 17

From August 7 through about August 17, parking for church and school will be restricted to the cemetery side lot and the lot directly south of the church. Access the parking area from our main entrance by taking a hard left towards the cemetery and then turn right just before the church building.

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: August 6, 2023

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	7,100.82
(Our offering budget is \$8,490 per week)			
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	310.15
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)			
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	204.02
	Tuition	\$	2,662.86
	Verizon Tower rental	\$	1,900.16
	Church and school fees	\$	833.35
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	13,011.36
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	410.45
	Acorn Scholarship Fund/Adopt-A-Student	\$	25.00
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	435.45



**Troop 2950 Open House
Monday, August 21 at 6:30pm**

Trail Life USA is for boys K-12th grade. Trail Life combines outdoor skills and leadership opportunities with discipleship, fun activities, active learning and advancement to help our boys develop into courageous young men ready to honor God, lead with integrity, and serve God and their families. Troop meetings are held on the first, third and fifth Mondays from 6:30-7:45 pm. We also schedule activities on weekends for outdoor fun and opportunities to serve. To learn more about Trail Life and Troop 2950, attend our open house or send an email to TrailLife@trinitylonoak.org.



**Exciting presentation about God's work in South Sudan
Thursday, August 24 | 10:00am | TLO**

Rev. Nicholas Jacinto and Rev. Celestino Kaka, Lutheran pastors from South Sudan and attending Concordia Sem in St Louis will be visiting Trinity Lone Oak on Thursday, August 24 at 10:00 AM. The entire congregation is invited and encouraged to hear about Concordia Seminary of Yambio, South Sudan, East Africa recently developing a new "English as a Second Language" program to help equip Lutheran pastors for East Africa. The program will help candidates for the Holy Ministry to speak, read, write and comprehend the English language. The students come from many different Tribal languages and so the English language is used to instruct students at Concordia Seminary, Yambio. Rev. Bernie Lutz will accompany our South Sudan visitors. Don't miss this opportunity to learn and support!



Remember in Prayer

Rich and Dixie Cliff

Ed Jones, father of David Jones and Julie Casby, for peace and comfort as he struggles with dementia
Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, with liver and spleen issues

Joyce (Kirchner) Moynihan, diagnosed with cancer

Ian Olander, thanksgiving for good care and report. Keep updated at caringbridge.org/visit/iano

LeAnn Peterson, sister of Andrea Hinrichs, recovering from foot surgery and complications

Verna Ratzlaff, for health and healing at Presbyterian Homes

Char Timm, surgery August 14, for good medical care and God's will to be done

Erin Turnmire and Mason Jones as Erin has medical needs

Stuart Weierke

Laverne and Beverly Ziebell. Our prayers are needed as they navigate day-to-day living



Weekly Memory Verse

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Eph. 4:32



Paul Clarence Heath

1982-2023

Paul Clarence Heath went home to his Savior on July 31, 2023. A Memorial Service will be held 11am Sat., Aug. 19, 2023 at TLO with a gathering of family and friends starting at 10am. A lunch will follow the service. Please keep Hannah and Henley (TLO, grade 3) in your prayers. *"The Lord gives and the Lord takes away; blessed be the name of the Lord."* Job 1:21



Birthdays this week

August 13

Clifford Kirchner, Gavin Kolb, Chris Martain

August 15

Josh Buecksler, Gavin Rudoll, Katarina Zenda-Johnson

August 16

Rilee Arnold, Brad Maloney, Kayla Nguyen, Carol Rose

August 17

Noah Nadeau

August 19

Kevin Steggall

Anniversaries this week

August 13

Gerry and Diane Groth

August 15

Daryl and Lorrie Buecksler



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 our pastor, 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 our pastor 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%.



TLO's B.R.E.W (Building Relationships, Exploring the Word)

Being a young adult isn't easy – it's a strange, transitory time in your life. It's a time when we need solid friends, personal growth, and God's wisdom more than ever. You will find all those and more through Trinity Lone Oak's young adult ministry because God knows we need it. Check out our B.R.E.W. Young Professions Group (25-35); please get in touch with Christian Larson at (620) 339-1888 or young.professionals.brew@gmail.com to get more information, get connected, and get grounded in Christ. Building Relationships and Exploring the Word – that's what B.R.E.W. is all about.

B.R.E.W. Young Professionals (25-35)

First meeting: Oct. 19, 7:00-9:00pm | **North 20 Brewing** 12266 Bacardi Ave W, Rosemount
Are you one of many young adults establishing yourself in your career and community? Come every Thursday of the month and meet with others in similar situations for thought-provoking conversation, support, and fellowship. Get in touch with Christian Larson at (620) 339-1888 or young.professionals.brew@gmail.com to get more information