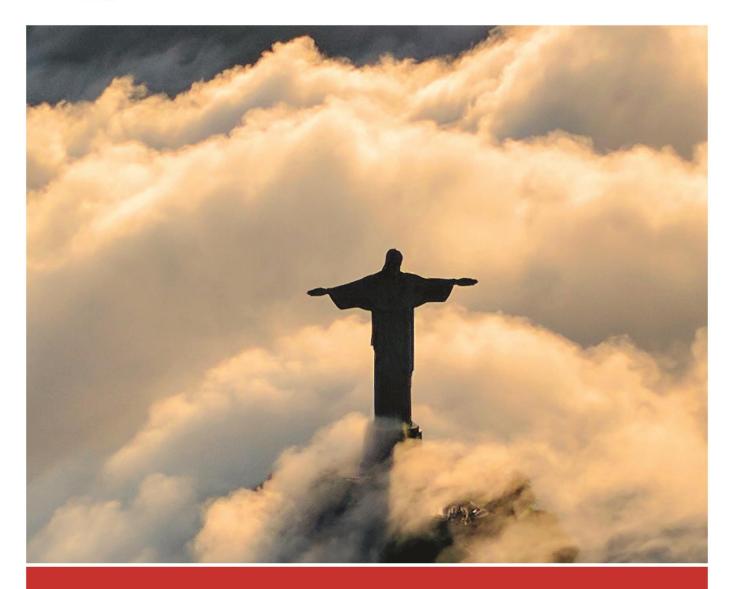


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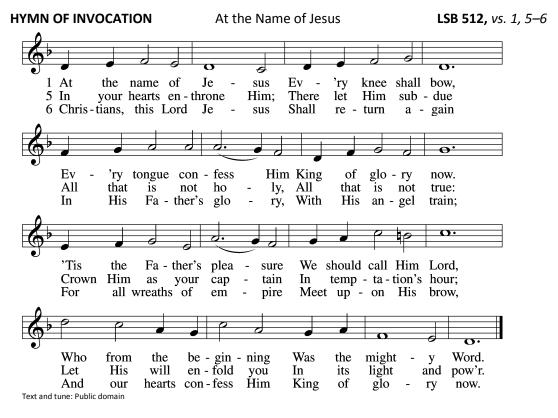
"Return to me..." - Malachi 3:7

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* Congregation Stands



*INVOCATION

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

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

*KYRIE

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

*SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Malachi 3:6-12

⁶"For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. ⁷From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts. But you say, 'How shall we return?' ⁸Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions. ⁹You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you. ¹⁰Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. ¹¹I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts. ¹²Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts.

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

EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. ⁴But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. ⁶So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. ⁷For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Pinky Seeman, TLO School Grade 3 Teacher

*HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

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

¹⁴[Jesus said:] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. ¹⁵To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. ¹⁷So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. ¹⁸But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' ²¹His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' ²²And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' ²³His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' ²⁴He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' ²⁶But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. ²⁹For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. ³⁰And cast th

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

INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS

*NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man:

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life T of the world to come. Amen.



SERMON Return to Me MALACHI 3:6-12

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P Dear heavenly Father, You have placed us in various vocations for the sake of Your people. Strengthen us when we face challenges and trials that would tempt us to abandon Your Church. Forgive us when we go astray. Bring back all those who have wandered from the faith. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C Give ear to our pleas for mercy.
- P Lord, raise up good and faithful servants in Your Church, that we work together for the common good and spread the good news of Your kingdom to all nations. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C Give ear to our pleas for mercy.
- P Lord, raise up good and faithful servants in the governments of the world, that citizens of all nations might be treated with fairness and justice. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C Give ear to our pleas for mercy.
- P Lord, the day of Jesus' return is drawing near. Give us patience and faith as we await His return. Embolden us to serve our neighbors and never grow weary of doing good. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C Give ear to our pleas for mercy.
- P Lord, disease and devastation have infected so much of Your creation, but we know Your healing is always close at hand. Be with all those who suffer now through abuse, illness, and injustice, [especially . . .] Heal them according to Your will, and send justice for the oppressed. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C Give ear to our pleas for mercy.
- P Lord, by the resurrection of Your Son, death has been destroyed. Yet each human being still faces earthly death. We bring before You all those who are mourning the death of loved ones, [especially . . .]. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C Give ear to our pleas for mercy.
- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.
- C Amen.

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INSTALLATION OF PASTOR REED LESSING

*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 and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

*LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

*PAX DOMINI

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

DISTRIBUTION

*POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

*BENEDICAMUS

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

*BENEDICTION

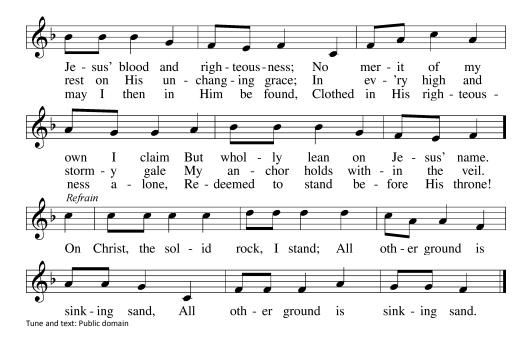
P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less LSB 576, vs. 1, ref, 2, 4 hope built less Than 1 **M**y is on noth ing When love dark ness veils His ly face. When He shall with trum -Oh, come pet sound.



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Serving our Lord this week

		November 15, 2020	November 22, 2020	
Musician		Diane Streich	Diane Streich	
Cantor		Dave Workman	Andy Koch	
Altar Guild Roxanne Foley and Irle		Roxanne Foley and Irlene Schuster	Roxanne Foley and Irlene Schuster	
Elder	8am	Sam Erdman	Andy Olson	
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Jim Nicklas	
Reader	8am	Peter Olsen	Andy Olson	
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Tim Morris	
Habay Taaya	8am	Brian Nack	Layne Streich	
Usher Team	10:30am	Open	Lance Halverson	
Greeter(s)	8am	Carolyn Wesling	Open	
	10:30am	Open	Open	
Acolyte(s)	8am	Seth Halverson and Eli Halverson	Open	
	10:30am	Amelia Martin and Audrey Martin	Caleb Morris and Jacob Seeman	
Projectionist	8am	Peter Olsen	Jean Peterson	
	10:30am	Chris Martin	Matt Seeman	
Cleaner	8am	Kristin Halverson	Open	
	10:30am	Open	Open	

COMING UP THIS WEEK — November 15, 2020 — November 22, 2020						
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST						
Sun 8:00am		Worship w/HC, installation of Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing and installation of officers				
	9:15am	Meet and greet for Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing, sanctuary level				
	9:15am	Sunday school; meet in gym then dismiss to classrooms				
	9:30am	Voter's Meeting in gym				
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion and installation of officers				
		worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org				
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible study				
Tue	7:00pm	Church Council				
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study				
	3:30pm	Midweek confirmation class				
	7:00pm	Board of Stewardship				
Thur	4:00-6:00pm	TLO School Open House				
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word Bible study				
Sat	9:00am	Women's Bible study				
LAST	SUNDAY OF THE	CHURCH YEAR				
Sun	8:00am	Worship in sanctuary				
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages; meet in gym				
	10:30am	Worship in sanctuary				
		worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org				
	12noon	Holy Communion by appointment at www.trinityloneoak.org				



Call Accepted

The Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing has accepted the Divine Call to TLO to serve as Associate Pastor. He comes to TLO to serve up to 6 hours on average per week. Pastor Lessing will continue his present Call to serve as Professor of Theology at Concordia University, St. Paul. Pastor Lessing recently moved from Fort Wayne, Ind., where he served St. Michael Lutheran Church.

Installation service for Pastor Lessing will be Sunday, Nov. 15, at the 8:00 am service. Please <u>register your attendance</u> for the in-person service which will be <u>live streamed</u>. A meet and greet and card shower will follow the installation. Pastor Lessing will assist at the 10:30 am service.

We praise the Lord that the Holy Spirit has led Pastor Lessing to accept the Call to serve at TLO as Associate Pastor and pray the Lord will bless his ministry among us and that we can be a blessing to him.

Installation of Officers

Installation of TLO Officers and Board Members will take place today, Sunday, Nov. 15 at both services. All newly elected persons are asked to come forward for the installation during the service. Thank you for your willing service. May the Lord guide you as you serve the Lord with gladness.

- President Jim Kohn
- Treasurer Michelle Wills
- Board of Elders Sam Erdman, Jim Nicklas, Andy Olson, Jon Peterson, Kurt Vallin
- Board of Christian Education Heather Hakanson
- Board of Trustees Leonard Perron, Gary Sheets
- Board of Stewardship Virginia Flo
- Board of Youth Lana Siewert-Olson
- Board of Endowment Julie Morris, Peter Olsen



Thanksgiving Worship

At our Thanksgiving services, we will remember God's undeserved blessings in our lives. Seminarian Cory Kroonblawd will be our guest preacher. The Wednesday evening service will be live streamed and linked on www.trinityloneoak.org. Pick up postcards in the narthex and invite your friends and neighbors to uplifting services of praise to our Creator and Sustainer Lord!

Thanksgiving Eve Service with Holy Communion

November 25 | 6:30pm

Thanksgiving Day Service with Holy Communion

November 26 | 9:00am



Fill 'er up!

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Throughout November, TLO is collecting nonperishable food. Donations online appreciated. To donate or for more info <u>click here</u>. Collection sponsored in part by <u>Thrivent Financial</u>.



Operation Christmas Child

Thanks to everyone who contribute to the OCC boxes. A final report will be given next week. The cost to ship each box is \$9 so donations towards this cost are needed; contact the church office to donate.



Do you have a friend who would benefit from the education TLO offers? Invite them to check out our school at our open house! Prospective families and current families can take a scavenger hunt, visit classrooms, and talk with teachers! Can't make it the 19th? Call the school office at 651-454-1139 to schedule a tour.



CA Presents "It's a Wonderful Life" Radio Play

Ring in the Advent and Christmas season with Concordia Academy's Radio Play production of "It's A Wonderful Life." Performances, with two rotating casts, are November 20 at 7:00, November 21 at 2:00 and 7:00,

November 22, at 2:00, November 27 at 7:00, November 28 at 2:00 and 7:00, and November 29 at 2:00. Each performance will be available via a live online audio stream, with a very limited number of live studio audience seats also available for each performance. Tickets for the live online audio stream are available for a free-will donation in any amount. Tickets for limited, in-person, studio audience reserved seats are \$20 for adults and \$15 for senior citizens and students. Go to www.concordiaacademy.com/wonderful for tickets and information.

CA Open House on November 17

Concordia Academy will be holding an in-person open house for prospective students and their parents on Tuesday, November 17, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. While all available slots at the open house are full, interested families are encouraged to sign up on the waiting list. Details can be found on the RSVP page at www.concordiaacademy.com/openhouse.

WEEKLY DEPOSIT: November 8, 2020

General Fu	und Income:					
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	7,605.00			
	(Our Weekly Offering budget is \$7,692.00 per week)					
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	1,385.00			
	(Our Weekly Offering budget is \$635.00 per week)					
	Sunday school	\$	0.88			
	Annual Fund	\$	200.00			
	Annual Fund IMO Ray Schlichtmann	\$	25.00			
	1883 Fund	\$	50.00			
	Tuition	\$	8,227.38			
	Gift to Special Funds	\$	6,500.00			
	Verizon Tower Rental	\$	1,738.91			
	Church and school fees	\$	876.84			
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	26,609.01			
Special Pu	rpose Income (not available for general fund spending)					
	YTF2	\$	1,180.00			
	YI Stamps through LCEF	\$	123.00			
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	1,303.00			



Remember in Prayer

Richard and Corrine, Jenna Arnold's dad and step mom. Corrine receives low level chemo every two weeks making her ill. Family requests continued prayers for healing and comfort.

Daryl Buecksler, recovering from hip surgery

Eddie Burdick, Pam's husband, overall health in dealing with on-going concerns

Rich Cliff, recovering from eye surgery

Dan Jones, brother of David Jones and Julie Casby, hospitalized and very ill

Cory Kroonblawd - completing final year of pastoral education at Concordia Theological Seminary - Ft. Wayne, IN Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Dan Linse recovering from heart surgery
Brian Motz - prayers for continued healing
Marvin Rahn for strength and good health while living at Brookdale in Eagan
Char Timm; prayers for sight to return to her left eye
Robert Vail, brother of Barbara, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and working through treatment

Flowers on the altar

Billy D. Swain, ongoing health concerns.

Flowers on the altar today are in honor of Chris and Maggie Martin's November 11 wedding anniversary. We wish Chris and Maggie many more happy years together as we reflect on God's Word: "And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." Col. 3:14.

Kohn. W as Lord and Savior.

Sullivan George Running was born Wednesday, November 11, 2020, and mom and baby are doing well. Sullivan is the second son of Josh and Amanda (nee Kohn) Running and the tenth grandchild of Jim and Connie Kohn. We praise God for this gift of life and pray God's richest blessings on Sullivan as he grows to know Jesus d Savier



Birthdays this week

Nov 16 Doug Schaaf

Nov 18 Henipher Jebin, Linda Tetzloff, Will Traeger

Nov 19 Danielle Lind

Nov 20 Melissa Anderson

Nov 21 Joshua Jebin, Nigisti Samual

Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church Voters Meeting Agenda Today, November 15, 2020 9:30am in Gym

- Call to Order
- Open Meeting with Devotion and Prayer
- Review Voters Meeting Minutes from September 20, 2020 and from Special Voters Meeting on October 25, 2020
- Board and Officer Reports

Written reports will be available on November 15. Please review the reports and ask questions at the meeting.

Pastor's report Principal's report Board of Christian Education

Board of Christian OutreachBoard of EldersBoard of EndowmentBoard of YouthBoard of Social MinistryBoard of TrusteesBoard of StewardshipPresidentFinancial Secretary

Treasurer

Old Business

Board and Officer Nominations for Open Positions

New Business

• New Member Signing of Constitution

Motion to Adjourn

Close with Prayer