⁴⁹"For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

HYMN: "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"

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*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

God of all wisdom and truth, send your Spirit on all your people, opening our mouths to prophesy and speak truth to one another. Give us words that make your will known. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Uphold farmers and field workers who harvest as nights grow longer and days get colder. Use their labor to deliver sustenance to humans and animals.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Lead public servants and government officials to work on behalf of all people. Send advocates to halls of justice and guide legislation that breaks the bonds of injustice. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Redeem all who are in trouble or danger. Speak healing words to them, and restore them to wholeness, that praise may flow from their lips. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Fill those who are hungry with good things. Enfold those who are weary in communities where their bodies and souls may be fed. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You have drawn your people into one great community. Show to us the same faithfulness you have shown your saints throughout the ages, and lead us to live faithfully. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

*CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY



*OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

Amen.

rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

*GOSPEL READING: Mark 9:38-50

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸John said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴²"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

'Moses, stop them!" ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 19:7-14 (sung responsively, pulpit side and lectern side)

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to | the simple.

⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;

the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.

¹¹By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened, and in keeping them there is | great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's | own offenses?

Cleanse me from my | secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion | over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your sight, O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;

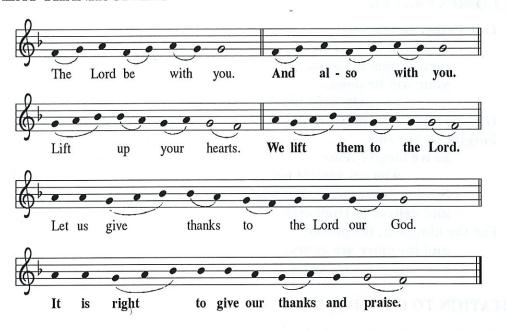
As it was in the beginning, is now and e- | ver shall be: world without end. | Amen.

SECOND LESSON: James 5:13-20

A reading from James.

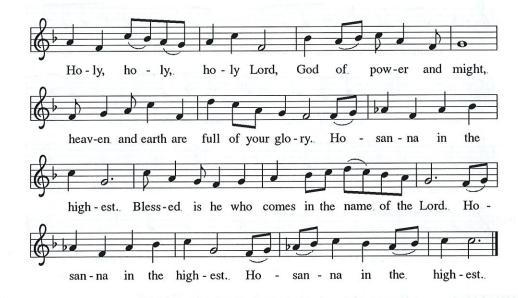
¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



*PROPER PREFACE

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

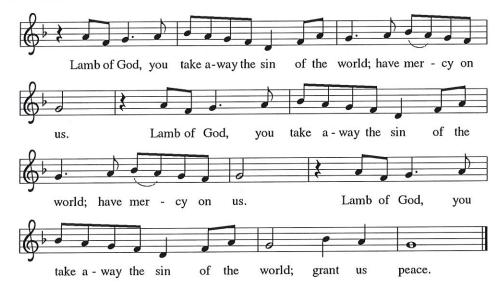
*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God gives food to those who hunger. Come, be fed, be healed.

LAMB OF GOD



DISTRIBUTION: "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

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*PRAYER OF THE DAY: (In unison)

Let us pray.

Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM: "The Rain Will Seek The Rivers"

Chancel Choir by Robert J. Powell

FIRST READING: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

A reading from Numbers.

⁴The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

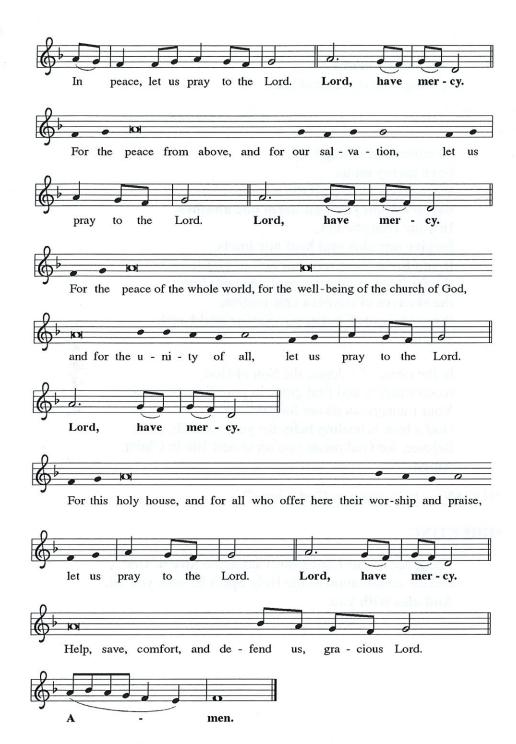
¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors'? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery."

¹⁶So the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you."

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord"

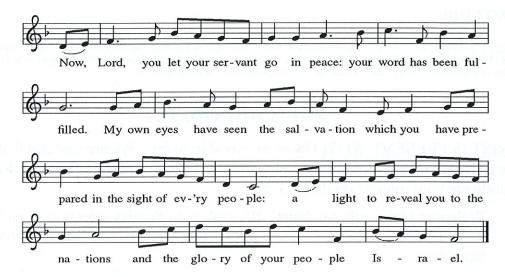
*Kyrie



*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

*POST COMMUNION HYMN



*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, O God, that you welcome us to your table and satisfy our deepest hunger and thirst. By your gifts of word and holy meal, strengthen us to take up the cross as we go about our callings in the world, following after Jesus Christ, our servant Lord. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

Like children in the arms of Jesus, receive blessing: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

PARISH SHARING TIME

*HYMN: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

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*SENDING

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Thanks be to Gou

*POSTLUDE

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Announcements

<u>CHRIST IS PRESENT WITH US</u> as we worship today. We are grateful that <u>you</u> are among us. If you are looking for a church home, please speak with Pastor Rachel and indicate your interest on the pew pad.

Welcome University Students! We gather on Sunday evenings from 5-7 p.m. at Trinity. There's a free supper, great conversation and informal worship.

<u>Everyone</u> is invited to receive Holy Communion. White grape juice is available in the glass chalice. Gluten free bread is available. If you would like us to bring the bread & wine to you, please let one of the ushers know.

A nursery is provided during worship just off the South Lobby area, for children ages 5 and younger.

<u>PRAYER REQUEST CARDS</u> are found at the end of the row. If you wish, please fill them out and hand them to the usher during the hymn after the sermon. If you or someone you know is ill, having surgery or is hospitalized, please inform Pastor Rachel.

<u>PLEASE SIGN</u> the Pew Pads and pass them down to the end of the row and then return them to the center.

<u>THE MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP</u> will be meeting this Saturday morning, October 3 at 8:00 a.m. at *Burger King*.

Let us come before God, seeking forgiveness and life.

(Silence for reflection)

Steadfast and saving God,
have mercy on us.
We confess to you all the ways
we turn from you and harm one another.
In your compassion,
forgive our sins and heal our hurts.
Bring forth from us a harvest of righteousness,
the fruits of gentleness and peacemaking,
the sheaves of wisdom and justice;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

In the name of + Jesus, the Son of God, receive mercy and find grace in your time of need. Your transgressions are forgiven; God's love is healing balm for your wounds. Rejoice, for God raises you up to new life in Christ. Amen.

*HYMN: "Oh, Sing to God Above"

*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

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Sunday, Sept. 27, 2015 – 18th Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

*Please rise

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Someone is casting out demons in Jesus' name who isn't part of Jesus' own circle, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus' word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn't do it, by people we can't keep tabs on.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose name is majestic in all the earth, who rescues and heals in every time of trouble, who does all things well.

Amen.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Leroy Dockter, (Sept. 27); Even Brande, (Sept. 28); Robert Dolan, (Sept. 28); Jonah Henry, (Sept. 28); Jordan Rhodine, (Sept. 28); Donna Engen, (Sept. 29); Richard Babcock, (Sept. 30); Jonathan Klinker, (Sept. 30); Mark Bock, (Oct. 1); Dottie Bock, (Oct. 3); Ray Bredehoft, (Oct. 3); Nolan Kunkel, (Oct. 3) and Jason Sherwood, (Oct. 3). Happy Birthday!

<u>CAMPUS MINISTRY DINNER SIGN-UP</u>: Please consider providing a meal for our college students who meet Sundays, 5:00-7:00 p.m. The student would love for you to come and share a simple meal with them at 5:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet is in the Gruver Room or see Intern Jennifer for information. Thanks for helping us feed the students, both body and soul.

Today's anthem: "The Rain Will Seek The Rivers"

by Robert J. Powell

The rain will seek the rivers, and rivers run to the sea, While human hearts will wander unfulfilled and restlessly.

The anxious heart must listen, listen, listen, For the quiet voice that whispers, answers, offers, Calls forth the unforced choice.

To grasp the easy burden, God's grace our souls delight. Oh, run to claim the promise of everlasting life. Oh, run to claim the promise of everlasting life.

Serving the Church

<u>TODAY (9/27)</u>		NEXT SU	NEXT SUNDAY (10/4)	
Lector:	8:00 a.m.	Laura Buckner	8:00 a.m.	Judi Weatherwax
	10:30 a.m.	Klaus Hanson	10:30 a.m.	Debbe Conyers
Acolyte:	8:00 a.m.	Connor Frick	8:00 a.m.	Carl Buckner
2	10:30 a.m.	Marlena Meyer	10:30 a.m.	Rebecca Lyford
Ushers:	8:00 a.m.	Wayne Sutherland Judi Weatherwax	8:00 a.m.	Al & Bobbie Schimek
	10:30 a.m.	Jason & Teresa	10:30 a.m.	Jason & Jolene
		Sherwood		Roesler
Greeters:	8:00 a.m.	Doris Eyestone	8:00 a.m.	Tracy Bennett
		Bob Middleton		Janet Talbott
	10:30 a.m.	Ed & Lois Hiller	10:30 a.m.	Shirley Heggie
		87 898		Mike Smith
Nursery:	8:00 a.m.	Kate Jablin	8:00 a.m.	Rosalind Kidwell
	10:30 a.m.	Lexi Dockter	10:30 a.m.	Hailey Anderson

Stewards: Steve Boss

Altar Guild: Les & Karen Ommen

Coffee Fellowship: Larry & Kris Oolman

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, Sept. 27	8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship (HC) SS / Coffee Fellowship Worship (HC)
Wednesday, Sept. 30	5-7 p.m. 10:00 a.m.	Campus Ministry Group Women's Study Confirmation
Saturday, Oct. 3	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir Men's Breakfast @ Burger King

PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK: The 19th Sunday after Pentecost:

Genesis 2:18-24; Psalm 8; Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16.

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The prayer of the righteous

