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November 7, 2021 – All Saints’ Day

Psalm 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

“What Is and What Will Be!” - Sermon Text: 1 John 3:1-3 - Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

November 14, 2021 – Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14; Mark 13:1-13

“The Sacrifice, the Reign” - Sermon Text: Hebrews 10:11-14 - Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

November 21, 2021 – The Last Sunday of the Church Year

Psalm 93; Isaiah 51:4-6; Mark 13:24-37

“Watch Friends” - Sermon Text: Mark 13:35-37 - Rev. Thomas Eggold

November 28, 2021 – The First Sunday in Advent

Psalm 89:6, 14-16, 18, Antiphon: Zechariah 9:9; Jeremiah 33:14-16; Luke 19:28-40

“Your Coming King” - Sermon Text: Zechariah 9:9 - Rev. Shayne Jonker

LUTHERAN FOOD PANTRY: Starting in October, the Lutheran Food Pantry will be open on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 9:15 AM to 10:45 AM.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: “Operation Christmas Child National Collection week is quickly approaching! National Collection Week is November 1-21st. There will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex to sign up to help collect boxes during the week. Watch the bulletins for further information. If you have any questions, please talk to **PASTOR** or **SARA KNEA**. Thank you!”

During the month of October, the following people were in the hospital, had surgery, recovering at home or our shut-ins – **EDDIE MCCOY, DOTTIE KAHRE, MARY DENNIS, MARTY KOCH, DORIS TURPIN, MICKIE ISAACS, CLYDE BRODERHAUSEN, HELEN MARIE WORTMANN, MARGARET CHEANEY, and WANDA KAHRE.**

<u>CHURCH ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>BIBLE CLASS</u>
Saturday, October 2	18
Sunday, October 3	65
Saturday, October 9.....	19
Sunday, October 10	65
Saturday, October 16.....	9
Sunday, October 17.....	62
Saturday, October 23.....	9
Sunday, October 24.....	56
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WHAT'S COMING UP

NEWSLETTER ITEMS: If you have an item for the monthly newsletter it must be in no later than the 20th of every month! Nothing will be accepted after business hours on the 20th. You can also submit items by emailing them to: trisha@tldarm.org

PASTOR TEMME’S BIBLE CLASS: In November we will continue the study of the book of James and see the right relationship between faith and works.

REFORMATION SERVICE: The Evansville Circuit Joint Reformation Service will be held at St. Paul’s on Sunday, October 31, at 3:00 PM with a dinner following. The preacher for that Sunday will be Rev. Nathan Russert of Emmanuel Tell City.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE: This year we will again hold our Thanksgiving worship on Wednesday evening, November 24, beginning at 7:00 PM. Bring one of your favorite pies to share for fellowship after the service.

ADVENT MUSIC CONCERT AND DINNER: Join us as we celebrate Advent with a music concert and dinner on Sunday, December 19, beginning at 3:30 PM. Invite your friends and neighbors to hear and sing sacred music of the season with our choir, bells, and instrumentalists followed by a dinner in the parish hall. Pick up free tickets for your family and friends and sign up in the narthex to make reservations for the dinner.

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

“CHEERS & TEARS”



Cheers to **CHARLIE JACKSON & KANDI KORFF**, who were married here on October 9th. God’s blessings to them always.

Cheers to the **BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP**, who hosted the Loyalty Banquet on October 17th.

Cheers to **RON & NANCY KORFF**, who celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary on October 15th.

PRESCHOOL

The preschool continues the Azzip Fundraiser through November 30. Please take our bar code if you plan on eating at Azzip this month.

Our annual wreath sale has begun! You can see wreath options and place your order by filling out the form in the back of church. The last Sunday to order is November 7. The last day to get your order in is Thursday November 11.

Wreaths will arrive December 6-8. All wreaths ship fresh from MN.

By supporting our fundraisers this year, you are helping us add a Little Free Library for our students and the community.

THANK YOU

Thank you for the get-well cards, prayers and support you provided during my recent surgery and recovery. Special thanks to Pastor Temme for his many calls at the hospital and at home. Its God’s blessing that we are part of a wonderful church family at Trinity.

John Brock & Family

Nov. 21 - Chili for lunch after Bible Class. 12:30 to 2:00 PM load large boxes into the Operation Christmas Child truck, followed by volleyball in the gym.

Dec. 4 - Help clean up after the Pancake Breakfast.

Dec. 12, noon – Creative Gingerbread House (or whatever) building includes pizza for lunch. Bring pre-made gingerbread walls or a box of graham crackers, a foil covered pan to build on & a bag of candy or whole grains to decorate with.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITY OPTIONS:

June 19 to July 2, 2022 2-week theology camp at CTS in Fort Wayne: Christ Academy for high school gentlemen, Phoebe Academy for high school ladies. \$650 is all-inclusive: tuition, housing, meals, and all off-campus activities. More info at <https://www.ctsfw.edu/ctsfw-events/christ-academy/phoebe-school/>

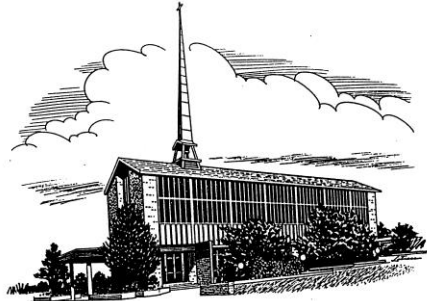
July 9-13, 2022 Houston, TX, LCMS National Youth Gathering – “In Him All Things” is a reminder from Col. 1:15-20 that the Christian story encompasses all things. Registration is \$395 till March 1. Hotel is \$180 + tax. Travel and meals are not included. <https://lcmsgathering.com/>

July 26-29, 2022 Valparaiso University, IN, Higher Things conference - “F O R Y O U” 6 letters to explain the point of everything. . . to make crystal clear the entire Christian faith. Registration is \$435 till Jan. 31 for dorm room, meals, and travel with the **TEMMEs**. <https://higherthings.org/conferences>

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THE OFFICES OF CHRIST – PROPHET

Every one of us has an office. I don't mean a room with a phone, bookshelf, and desk with cluttered papers, but an official position. You may not be a police officer or a government official, but you still have an office. The office I am speaking about is your station or position in life where God has placed you to do his work. Sometimes we call this office your vocation. Some of us have an office or vocation of being a plumber, lawyer, banker, builder, engineer, accountant, or pastor. But your office is more than your occupational job. Your office may also include being a husband or wife, father or mother, son or daughter, child or student, grandfather or grandmother. Your office or station in life is a special position where God has placed you to serve others and distribute his blessings. You may even hold several offices at the same time.

Jesus Christ also has several offices. He was a son of his mother Mary and his guardian Joseph. He was a student who grew in wisdom. He was a carpenter who crafted, built, and repaired things for others. But Jesus also holds three very special offices for our salvation - that of Prophet, Priest, and King. Through these offices of Prophet, Priest, and King, Jesus serves us and distributes God's blessings.

We get a foreshadowing or pictures of these offices of Prophet, Priest, and King in the Old Testament. For the children of Israel, Moses was their first prophet, Aaron was their first priest, and Saul was their first king. Through these offices, God worked to teach, deliver, intercede for, and redeem his people. Of course, not everyone was a prophet, priest, or king. God chose certain men to fill these offices and set them apart for his special purpose. One of the ways God ordained these men into their office was by anointing them with oil. God had Moses anoint Aaron as the high priest. Of all Jesse's sons, God told Samuel to anoint David as the next king. God also told Elijah to anoint his successor Elisha as prophet. As sinners, these men sometimes failed or abused their power. But while these men weren't always good, the office which God ordained still is. God used these men in their offices to accomplish his salvation for his people.

In the same way, God the Father ordained his Son to the office of Prophet, Priest, and King to accomplish his salvation for us. When did God set Jesus apart for this special purpose? God didn't anoint Jesus with oil, but at his baptism in the Jordan river, Jesus was anointed with water and the Holy Spirit. The title Christ means "Anointed One." At his baptism, Jesus laid aside his carpentry tools and began his ministry as our Prophet, Priest, and King. Of course, as the perfect Son of God, Jesus Christ works in these offices to save us in an even greater way than sinful men who held these offices in the Old Testament. Jesus saves us for eternal life.

The first office which Jesus holds for us is that of Prophet. God instituted this office through Moses when he said, "The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own brothers. You must listen to Him." (Deuteronomy 18:15) God put his Words into the mouth of Moses. He spoke to the people for God, and the people listened to him. God also gave his prophet signs and miracles to show that his Word was from God. The Lord gave Moses the sign of the staff which turned into a serpent and the sign of his hand which became leprous in order to show the Israelites that God was with him. God also worked miracles through Moses such as the Ten Plagues, the crossing of the Red Sea, and water from the rock. Unfortunately, the people didn't always listen to Moses, and some of them rejected him as their leader. This becomes the pattern for future prophets after Moses. The purpose of a prophet is to speak the Word of God. The signs of a prophet are the miracles. And the fate of a prophet is to be rejected by his people.

Jesus is the greatest prophet of all in that he not only spoke the Word of God, but he is the Word of God. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God . . . and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us." (John 1: 1, 14) Jesus came to preach the Word of God. Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go somewhere else – to the nearby villages – so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." (Mark 1:38) And when Jesus speaks, people listen. On the Mount of Transfiguration, God the Father said, "This is My Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased. Listen to Him!" (Matthew 17:5) Jesus often spoke the Word of God in parables. His simple way of teaching the masses made him the greatest teacher ever known. Jesus spoke the Law to those who were unrepentant and needed to hear the Law. But Jesus also spoke the Gospel to repentant sinners. Peter said, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." (John 6:68)

Jesus also showed that he was a prophet from God by the miracles he performed. Jesus healed the sick, opened the eyes of the blind and the ears of the deaf, turned water into wine, cast out demons, calmed storms, fed 5,000 people from a boy's lunch, and raised the dead. Jesus did more miracles than any other prophet. His greatest miracle of all was his own resurrection. Through these signs and miracles, Jesus proved that he was from God and his Word was the truth.

Unfortunately, like all the other prophets, Jesus was rejected by his people. The people from his own hometown of Nazareth rejected his message and wanted to throw him off a cliff. The Jewish religious leaders plotted against him, arrested him, condemned him to death, and instigated his crucifixion under Pontius Pilate.

But Jesus wasn't only our Prophet in the past. By his resurrection from the dead, he is still our prophet today. By the preached Gospel today, Jesus still proclaims himself to be the Son of God and the Redeemer of the World. Jesus commanded his disciples, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation." (Mark 16:15) And he reminded them, "He who listens to you, listens to me." (Luke 10:16) When you hear a pastor or teacher preach and teach the Word of God, it is really Jesus preaching and teaching through them. And by his Word, Jesus still performs miracles. In Holy Baptism, he washes away our sins. In Holy Communion, he gives us his own body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. Jesus remains our Prophet who delivers us through the Word of God yet today.

In next month's newsletter, we will continue looking at the offices of Christ, particularly how Jesus saves us as our Priest and King.

Pastor Temme