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October 2, 2022

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 62; Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Luke 17:1-10 "Live by Faith" - Sermon Text: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 - Rev. William Mueller

October 9, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19 "Going GOD'S Way?" - Sermon Text: Luke 17:19 - Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

October 16, 2022

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 121; Genesis 32:22-30; Luke 18:1-8 "God: My Adversary?" - Sermon Text: Genesis 32:22-30 - Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

October 23, 2022

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 5; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-17 "Let Them Come" - Sermon Text: Luke 18:15-17 - Rev. Thomas Eggold

October 30, 2022

Reformation Sunday Psalm 46; Revelation 14:6-7; John 8:31-36 "God Doesn't Change" - Sermon Text: Revelation 14:6 - Rev. Dr. Lawrence R. Rast, Jr.

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During the month of September, the following people were in the hospital, had surgery, recovering at home or our shut-ins – **RAY LAUGHBAUM, MEVELYN FEAGLEY, GARY GANN, AL ARENDT, GLORIA ARENDT, ARLENE HARTMANN, DON KECK, ALICE KECK and HELEN MARIE WORTMANN.**

<u>CHURCH ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>BIBLE CLASS</u>
Saturday, September 3.....14	
Sunday, September 469	21
Saturday, September 1010	
Sunday, September 11.....69	24
Saturday, September 17.....10	
Sunday, September 18.....101	Heritage Sunday
Saturday, September 24.....8	
Sunday, September 25.....73	Voters

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

BIBLE CLASS: In October, **PASTOR TEMME'S** class will continue the study of the Gospel of Luke of Jesus encouraging John the Baptist, forgiving a sinful woman, and teaching in parables. **ALAN LETTERMAN'S** Class is studying the book of Daniel.

THANK YOU: We thank our choir, handbell players, musicians, and anniversary committee for all their service for our Heritage Sunday on September 18. You may view the worship services and presentations from Dr. Rast at

www.facebook.com/trinitylutherandarmstadt/videos.

JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE: Our congregation will be hosting the Joint Reformation Service of the Evansville East and West Circuits on Sunday, October 30, at 3:00 PM. Guest preacher will be **REV. ADAM STERNQUIST** of Peace Owensboro. The children's choir of Evansville Lutheran School and the preschools of Our Redeemer and Trinity will sing during the service as well as the adult joint choir. Following the service, everyone is invited to a dinner in the parish hall hosted by Immanuel and Trinity Darmstadt. Immanuel is providing Pulled Pork, Potatoes, Corn, Baked Beans and Rolls. Our members are asked to bring a salad and/or dessert. There are sign-up sheets on the table so that we all don't end up bringing the same stuff.

MEN'S BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY: All men of the congregation are invited to join us on Saturday, October 1, at 8:30 AM in the parish hall for breakfast and Bible study. Invite your friends and neighbors.

STEWARDSHIP/LOYALTY SUNDAY: Join us for Loyalty Sunday on October 16 when we will honor some of the Martha(s) who have served our congregation. We are asking for reservations so we can plan our lasagna dinner.

The annual Stewardship letter with the commitment cards were mailed. We ask each of you to prayerfully consider your support for 2023. The commitment cards are very beneficial in helping to set the budget.

GREETINGS SISTERS IN CHRIST!

On behalf of the Board of Evangelism of Trinity Lutheran Church, Henderson, KY, we are overjoyed to invite you to a day of Bible Study and fellowship. On Saturday, October 29th beginning at 8:30 A.M. we will be sponsoring a Women's Retreat featuring soul-stirring, engaging speaker, author, Bible teacher, and worship leader, Donna Snow at the Lumberyard in Henderson, 512 Barret Blvd., Unit B. Donna will be leading a study titled, "Faith Alone" based on Romans 1:17. Donna has a passion for studying and teaching God's Word. Her clear, down-to-earth style encourages women of all ages to wholeheartedly love, serve, and live for Jesus Christ.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office: 270-826-4337 or Pastor Mark A. Moog at 812-454-1575 or mamoog52@gmail.com.

Your \$15 Registration fee is due with your registration.

Registration will be open from September 7th – October 12th.

Looking forward to greeting you! Trinity Board of Evangelism

PRESCHOOL

Thank you to everyone that purchased take and bake meals. We appreciate your support.

We will be on fall break October 7-11.

When we return from break, we will have school pictures.

We are also looking forward to our first field trip of the year to Mayse Farm.

HIGHER THINGS is excited to announce the 2023 summer conference theme on apologetics, Beyond Reasonable Doubt, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, July 18-21 and Trinity University, San Antonio, July 25-18. www.higherthings.org *"And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." (1 Cor. 15:14)*

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS ON WORSHIP ANEW: Dear friends of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, I would like to thank Laureen Baggett (Trinity Lutheran-Evansville), and Jewels Mominee of Mominee Studios Inc. Evansville, IN <https://www.momineestudios.com/> for the gift of the Trinity Lutheran Stained-Glass windows. These windows were extracted during the week of June 8 through June 11, 2022. They will be used in service on the campus of Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana and the home of Worship Anew. Worship Anew (Formerly known as Worship for Shut-Ins), continues to broadcast nationwide on DirectTV Channel 377 (TCT Network 10:30 Central Time), world-wide on The American Forces Network TV, and on-line at www.WorshipAnew.org. These stained-glass windows will be restored to their original beauty and continue to reflect God's love of care and compassion. The Martin Luther window will be used in the main entrance, Atrium area, greeting visitors to our International offices. The Jesus window, Angel Window, and Jesus Knocking at the Door window, will be used in the Studio, as choirs sing Lutheran hymns on the choir risers In front of the Jesus Window and side panels. Here is a list of scheduled appearances (to include Drone footage and Stained-Glass windows) on Worship Anew.

October 2, 2022 Immanuel-Volkman Road Evansville, IN

October 09, 2022 Our Redeemer-Evansville (w/University of Evansville in background)

October 16, 2022 Trinity-Darmstadt Evansville, IN

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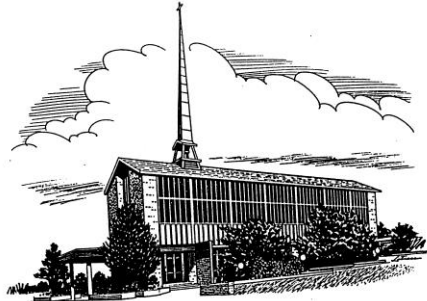
THE LUTHERAN CEMETERY The Lutheran Cemetery Association is having its annual Fall Fundraiser. We rely on your donations to help with general grounds maintenance & upkeep. Please prayerfully consider making a donation this year. Make checks payable to "Lutheran Cemetery Association " & mail to PO Box 23281, Evansville, In. 47724

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, TELL CITY will be hosting its annual Soup Supper on Saturday, October 8th beginning at 11:00 AM. This will be a carry-out only. They will serve their Classic Soup by the gallon and BBQ Chicken Dinners. The chicken dinners include a half chicken, creek fried potatoes and homemade slaw. Emmanuel's Women's guild will host their Bake Sale. For more information, call/text Randy Lautner at 812/608-0492 or email emmanuel@psci.net.

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THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

In last month's article, we discussed the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. We discussed some of the work of the Holy Spirit as the author of the Scriptures which give witness to Jesus Christ and his work as the Lord and giver of life. Today, we want to look closer at his work for us, particularly his work of sanctification. We are justified before God through the atoning work of Christ who died upon the cross for our sins. But just how are we sanctified?

The Holy Spirit sanctifies us by making us holy. How does he do this? First and foremost, the Holy Spirit works through the Word of the Gospel and through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism to give us faith in Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Through faith in Christ, God declares us holy. But just who is responsible for this faith in Christ? Is faith a product of our will, or do we work with God to produce it, or is it a work of God alone?

Years ago, you may remember the song by Christian singer Amy Grant who sang, "I have decided to follow Jesus." These words reflect what many in Christendom confess about their faith. They think that they have decided to believe in Christ. After hearing all the evidence from the Scriptures, they reason that it makes sense, so they choose Christ. Others might say that the Holy Spirit convinces them much like a lawyer would persuade a jury. Either way, their faith is either a product of solely their own reason or they are working with God through their own mind to believe. These same people would object to baptizing an infant because a baby

seems too immature to grasp the teachings of the Bible. They wait until a child is older when he can "choose" for himself.

However, the Bible does not describe our sinful mind and spirit as capable of believing in Christ on our own nor of just needing a little persuasion by God. Because of the disease of original sin passed down to us from Adam through our parents, our spirit is born dead. "You were dead in your transgressions and sins." (Ephesians 2:1) And dead people cannot choose anything nor can a lawyer persuade a corpse to pass a verdict. "The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned." (1 Corinthians 2:14) In fact, we were born enemies of God. "The sinful mind is hostile to God." (Romans 8:7) Our sinful nature does not cooperate with God but fights against him. Faith is a gift of God, not something we produce from our mental striving. "By grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8-9) Therefore, "No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit." (1 Corinthians 12:3) Our faith in Christ is solely a work of God alone.

We confess this truth in the explanation of the Third Article of Luther's Small Catechism. "I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith." Put even more simply, "I *believe* that I *cannot believe* on my own, but the Holy Spirit creates faith in me through the Gospel." This Gospel may come to us through the Word or through Baptism. "Faith comes by hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ." (Romans 10:17) "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit." (Titus 3:5) An adult hearing the Word of the Gospel or a baby being baptized both come to faith in the same way. It is not by our own reason or strength but by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore the Holy Spirit sanctifies you, make you holy, by bringing you to faith in Jesus Christ through his means of grace, the Word and Sacrament. The Holy Spirit creates a New Man within you through the means of baptism and the Word of the Gospel. Next month, we will discuss how the Holy Spirit also sanctifies us by working through the New Man to lead a godly life.

Pastor Temme