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Trinity Lutheran Church (LCMS)
Winfield, Kansas

DAILY LECTIONARY

See pages 299-304 of Lutheran Service book
Or The Treasury of Daily Prayer

1 Nov	Deut 34:1-12	Matt 21:1-22
2 Nov	Jer 1:1-19	Matt 21:23-46
3 Nov	Jer 3:6-4:2	Matt 22:1-22
4 Nov	Jer 5:1-19	Matt 22:23-46
5 Nov	Jer 7:1-29	Matt 23:1-12
6 Nov	Jer 8:18-9:12	Matt 23:13-39
7 Nov	Jer 11:1-23	Matt 24:1-28
8 Nov	Jer 20:1-18	Matt 24:29-51
9 Nov	Jer 22:1-23	Matt 25:1-13
10 Nov	Jer 23:1-20	Matt 25:14-30
11 Nov	Jer 23:21-40	Matt 25:31-46
12 Nov	Jer 25:1-18	Matt 26:1-19
13 Nov	Jer 26:1-19	Matt 26:20-35
14 Nov	Jer 29:1-19	Matt 26:36-56
15 Nov	Jer 30:1-24	Matt 26:57-75
16 Nov	Jer 31:1-17, 23-34	Matt 27:1-10
17 Nov	Jer 33:1-22	Matt 27:11-32
18 Nov	Jer 37:1-21	Matt 27:33-56
19 Nov	Jer 38:1-28	Matt 27:57-66
20 Nov	Dan 1:1-21	Matt 28:1-20
21 Nov	Dan 2:1-23	Rev 18:1-24
22 Nov	Dan 2:24-49	Rev 19:1-21
23 Nov	Dan 3:1-30	Rev 20:1-15
24 Nov	Dan 4:1-37	Rev 21:1-8
25 Nov	Dan 5:1-30	Rev 21:9-27
26 Nov	Dan 6:1-28	Rev 22:1-21
27 Nov	Is 1:1-28	1 Pet 1:1-12
28 Nov	Is 2:1-22	1 Pet 1:13-25
THE TIME OF CHRISTMAS - Advent Season		
29 Nov	Is 5:1-25	1 Pet 2:1-12
30 Nov	Is 6:1-7:9	1 Pet 2:13-25

"You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me..." - John 5:39

Remember, and Always Give Thanks!

ESV 2 Thessalonians 2:13

**But we ought always to give thanks to God for you,
brothers beloved by the Lord,
because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved,
through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.**

In Paul's second letter to the church of Thessalonica, he pauses after a particularly dark section to interject a resounding, "But..." That dark section speaks worrying words about "the man of lawlessness," "wicked deception," and "a strong delusion." All of these are things which can concern the believer. Delusion, deception, and lawlessness, it's almost like watching the evening news. It's almost like our neighborhoods. It's almost like our own hearts.

Yet, for all the concerns, Paul has God's greater plans in mind as he transitions from these shadowy things into the plans of God. Lest the dark days overtake his thoughts, Paul, almost encouraging no one else but himself, and, of course, his companions, writes, "But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord."

For those beloved by the Lord, there is always something of which to be thankful. To the delusions, God offers reality. "They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption" (2 Peter 2:19). "But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells" (2 Peter 3:13). To all deception, the Spirit offers truth (JN. 16:13). And, to the man of lawlessness, He offers the man of righteousness. "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them" (Matthew 5:17).

God's gifts shine forth from Paul in this section as he rejoices in what God had already done among the congregation of Thessalonica, "because God chose you [brothers beloved by the Lord] as the firstfruits, to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth." What's more, his rejoicing anticipates a continuation of God's abiding gifts. "Firstfruits," anticipates second, third, and so on "fruits." This means, wherever faith is found, ongoing and thanksgiving growth are to be anticipated.

This growth and thanksgiving are impossible apart from God. This means that when we starve ourselves from God's Word, when we shun God's people, and when we wander in the delusions, the deceptions, and the lawlessness that is our world, growth and thanksgiving will be in short supply. Yes, we ought to give thanks, but to whom and for what?

Paul reminds us that God would have the believer well fed and strengthened by Him. Only then, can we live lives of genuine thanksgiving.

Godspeed,
Rev Seth A Meyer

ALL SAINTS' DAY (1 November 2026)

- Revelation 7:(2–8) 9–17 - 1 John 3:1–3 - Matthew 5:1–12

Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ

“A great multitude ... from all tribes and peoples and languages” cry out, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne” (Rev. 7:9–10). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, “shall see him as he is” (1 John 3:2). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall “serve him day and night in his temple” (Rev. 7:15). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ, propels us forward to our eternal home, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Proper 27 (8 November 2026)

- Amos 5:18–24 - 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 - Matthew 25:1–13

The Gospel Prepares Us for Our Heavenly Bridegroom's Coming

The Day of the Lord is “darkness, and not light” (Amos 5:18, 20) for all who trust in their own righteousness and piety. The Lord will not accept their “burnt offerings and grain offerings,” nor will He look upon their “peace offerings” (Amos 5:22). Instead, He desires a heart of faith that trusts in Him, which lets “justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream” (Amos 5:24) in love for the neighbor. In order for the “lamps” of our lives to burn brightly with such love, we must be filled with the “oil” of forgiveness through faith in our Bridegroom, Jesus Christ (Matt. 25:1–4). Therefore, as we await His coming, wisdom directs us “to the dealers” (Matt. 25:9), that is, to the ministers of His Gospel. Thus we wait upon the Lord, and we “encourage one another with these words” (1 Thess. 4:18). Waking or sleeping, we are prepared to meet Him when He comes “with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God,” and “we will always be with the Lord” (1 Thess. 4:16, 17).

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Proper 28 (15 November 2026)

- Zephaniah 1:7–16 - 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11 - Matthew 25:14–30

God's Gift of Forgiveness Engenders Our Forgiveness of Others

The Day of the Lord is “*near and hastening fast,*” and it will be “*a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation*” (Zeph. 1:14, 15). The Lord will search out and punish “*the men who are complacent*” concerning His Word, “*who fill their master's house with violence and fraud*” (Zeph. 1:9, 12). Then all their works and efforts will be for nothing: “*Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them*” (Zeph. 1:13). But those who fear, love and trust in the Lord are “*good and faithful*” stewards of His property (Matt. 25:21). They live by faith in His free gift of forgiveness, and they multiply His goods in the loving forgiveness of their neighbor, and “*the master of those servants*” settles His accounts with them by the gracious reckoning of His Gospel (Matt. 25:19). Likewise, “*God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ*” (1 Thess. 5:9). Therefore, let us also “*put on the breastplate of faith and love*” in our dealings with one another (1 Thess. 5:8).

LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

Proper 29 (22 November 2026)

- Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24 - 1 Corinthians 15:20–28 - Matthew 25:31–46

By the Cross of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of Our God and Father

When the crucified and risen Lord Jesus comes to judge the living and the dead, “he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats” (Matt. 25:32). “To those on his right,” who have been crucified and raised with Him through repentance and faith in His Gospel, He will grant the blessed kingdom of His Father (Matt. 25:34). Having been justified by His grace, they live unto righteousness in Him (Matt. 25:35–40). But “those on his left,” who trust in themselves and despise their neighbor, will depart “into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels” (Matt. 25:41). Until that day, the Lord searches for His sheep “as a shepherd seeks out his flock” (Ezek. 34:11–12). Through His preaching of repentance, He disciplines the proud sheep and goats, “the fat and the strong,” but through the preaching of forgiveness He rescues the lost, binds up the injured, strengthens the weak and feeds “the lean sheep” (Ezek. 34:16, 20). In this way, He destroys the power of death in the children of Adam by His cross, so that “in Christ shall all be made alive” by His resurrection (1 Cor. 15:20–26).

THANKSGIVING DAY

(26 November 2026)

- Deuteronomy 8:1–10 - Philippians 4:6–20 or 1 Timothy 2:1–4 - Luke 17:11–19

We Praise God for Sustaining Life in and through His Word

The nation resounds with thanksgiving for the earth’s bountiful harvest, crops of wheat and grains, all beneath the canopy of God’s almighty care. But “man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD” (Deut. 8:3). The Church is the vessel through which the Word of God penetrates the world with its Law and Gospel. It is this divine Word that proclaims Jesus as the sole source of life, health and wholeness. It is Jesus who heals lepers with His Word: “Go and show yourselves to the priests” (Luke 17:11–19). Of the 10 cleansed, only one expresses thanksgiving back to Jesus. But true gratitude proceeds from a heart sustained by faith. Jesus bids this one Samaritan to “rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.” So also, we are sent from the Divine Service, bolstered in our faith by baptismal and Eucharist blessing to be thankful in our circumstances of plenty and hunger, abundance and need (Phil. 4:6–20).

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

(30 November 2025)

- Isaiah 2:1–5 - Romans 13:(8–10) 11–14 - Matthew 21:1–11 *or* Matthew 24:36–44

The Lord Comes in Meekness and Humility to Save Us Now

The Lord Jesus enters Jerusalem “humble, and mounted on a donkey,” riding on “a beast of burden” (Matt. 21:5), as He Himself bears the sins of the world in His body. Now He comes by the ministry of the Gospel to save us from sin, death, the devil and hell. Therefore, we sing, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” (Matt. 21:9). For we are called “to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob,” His Holy Church, “that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths” (Is. 2:3). By His Word, we “walk in the light of the LORD” (Is. 2:5). That is to live in love, which “does no wrong to a neighbor” (Rom. 13:10). We “cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light,” for “salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed” (Rom. 13:11, 12). Hence, the entire Christian life is a time to wake and watch, “for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming” (Matt. 24:42).



LWML met this past week for Circle Bible Studies. We are excited to share that our New Seminary Student is Hunter Kinnison. His wife Naomi is the Great Granddaughter of Martin Pullman who many of you remember when he served here at Trinity! Naomi and Hunter recently welcomed Baby Noah to their family. Noah was in the NICU for a while and received a feeding tube. Prayers for the Kinnison family are greatly appreciated. Their home address is:

Hunter and Naomi Kinnison
2508 Buena Vista Drive
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

We would love to invite Trinity Ladies to our **November Circle Bible Studies**.

Ruth Circle: Meeting on Monday, Nov. 9th at 6:30pm at the church

Rachel Denning is leading the Bible Study and hosting.

Esther Circle: Meeting Tuesday, Nov 10th at 9:00am at the home of Diane Okeson: 605 E. 34th Street

Co-Hostess is Dorothy Sponsel with Linda Bredehoft leading the Bible Study.

If you have any questions my cell # is 620-218-4429 . My email is SharleBo@aol.com

Sharlene Book, Trinity LWML President 🌻🌻

YOUTH NEWS

Youth group is meeting weekly in the youth room from 4:00 – 5:30pm on Sundays. Use the door by the basketball hoop. The youth room is at the top of the stairs. Regular attendance is preferred, but anyone is welcome at any time! We have started the 30 lesson Bible Overview curriculum series.

High School students only: November 20-22 is the Kansas District Youth Gather at the Drury Plaza Hotel in Wichita. We currently have 9 youth and 3 adults registered to attend.

This is a little early, but mark your calendars for December 3rd, 6:00-8:00pm. The youth will volunteer to work at the entrance to the Isle of Lights.

Serving for Him,
Debbie, Janet, and Amy and Dawn

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**KANSAS LLL**  
**DISTRICT CONVENTION**

**Faith Formation in the Household**

**But as for me and my household we will serve the Lord; Joshua 24:15**

**Theme:** Faith Formation in the Household

**Date:** Friday, November 6 – Saturday November 7

**Location:** Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, KS

**Guest Speaker:** Rev. German Novelli, Director, LHM Hispanic Ministries

Register online at [lhm.org/ks-lll](http://lhm.org/ks-lll) by November 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Habitat For Humanity

Currently Habitat for Humanity volunteers are working on House #34. It is located on the corner of Gary and East 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. in Winfield. The family that will occupy this home consists of a single mother, Tiphanny, and her 3 children; a 9 year old girl and 2 boys ages 13 and 15 years old.



In the past our church family has provided funds for the purchase of ceiling fans and venetian blinds for the windows. A member has volunteered to apply to Thrivent for a \$250 Thrivent Action Team card to pay for the venetian blinds. This request is for us to help pay for the ceiling fans. The plan is to have a fan in each bedroom and one in the main living area.

If you are eligible for a Thrivent Action Team card, please consider using it for this project.

Please contact Rita Hensley for more information.

Phone: 620-474-0984 Email: [Rhseeque@aol.com](mailto:Rhseeque@aol.com)



We are providing cookies for the William Newton Auxiliary Snack Bar during the month of November. If you didn't have a chance to sign up at our October Circles and want to provide cookies, the sign up sheet is on our Bulletin Board. The Auxiliary is asking that you bring 3 dozen cookies on the date you sign up for. They like to have them wrapped 2 cookies per small baggie or saran wrap or 1 large cookie wrapped is fine as well. Bring them to the snack bar and tell them what kind of cookies they are and that they are from LWML. Thank you so much!.

## All Hands On Deck!

**It's time to deck the halls. We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Saturday, December the 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. All hands are welcome and appreciated!!**



Thank you for all the cards, gifts and thoughtful notes shared at the Pastor Appreciation Potluck. God be praised for church family.  
- Pastor, Heather & family.

It's time for Trunk or Treat! Please consider hosting a trunk for the event, October 30 from 4:30pm – 6:30pm. A sign up sheet will be available. If you can't host a trunk, please donate candy towards the cause. Any and all participation is appreciated. This is great community outreach!



**Friday morning Bible study continues to meet at 9:15am. Join us for a series entitled "Oh Come Let Us Worship Him" on the parts of the Divine Service, first published in the Lutheran Witness. All are welcome to attend.**

This quarter we are collecting diapers (sizes 2-5), wipes, and formula to support our local moms and their babies. All offerings will also go to the cause. Please send any donations, as an offering, on Chapel days.





## Choice Dollars® details



Thrivent Choice® empowers clients with membership to live generously and help make an impact on the organizations and causes they care about most. By directing Choice Dollars, members have a voice where Thrivent distributes millions in grant funding each year—\$1 of grant funding for each Choice Dollar directed.

### About Choice Dollars

- ✓ Clients with [benefit or associate membership](#) are eligible to direct Choice Dollars.
- ✓ Choice Dollars are calculated based on the prior year's premiums paid and contract values (as of December 31) of eligible Thrivent life, health and annuity products.
- ✓ Members receive their full annual Choice Dollars amount at the beginning of January. If a member's calculated amount is less than 25 Choice Dollars, they will be designated 25 Choice Dollars.
- ✓ New Thrivent members will receive 25 "Welcome to Membership" Choice Dollars within one month of joining.

### Minimum and maximum Choice Dollars designations

Members will be designated a minimum of 25 Choice Dollars, up to a maximum of 5,000 Choice Dollars per calendar year.

### Choice Dollars expiration date

Members have until December 31st to direct Choice Dollars® before they refresh for the new year.

## UPCOMING Events

October 30 – Trunk or Treat 4:30pm – 6:30pm

November 6-7 – Kansas LLC District Conference

November 20-22- Kansas District Youth Gathering

November 25 – Thanksgiving Eve Worship - 6:00pm

December 5 – Church Decorating - 9:00am

## November 2026

| Sunday                                                                                                                                              | Monday                                      | Tuesday                                                            | Wednesday                                                                              | Thursday                                          | Friday                                                                        | Saturday                                                                                                        |
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| 1<br>9:00am Worship/Communion<br>10:30am Bible Study/Sunday School<br>3:00pm Confirmation<br>4:00pm Youth Group                                     | 2<br>Pastor's day off<br>3:45pm PTL         | 3<br>6:00pm Bell Choir                                             | 4                                                                                      | 5<br>7:00pm BOE meeting                           | 6<br>Kansas LLC Dist. Conf.<br>8:15am Chapel<br>9:15am Bible study            | 7<br>Kansas LLC Dist. Conf.<br>5pm Worship/Communion<br>6:20pm Adult Inquirers                                  |
| 8<br>9:00am Worship/Communion<br>10:30am Bible Study/Sunday School<br>3:00pm Confirmation<br>4:00pm Youth Group                                     | 9<br>Pastor's day off<br>6:30pm Ruth Circle | 10<br>6:00pm Bell Choir                                            | 11<br>5:30pm Choir<br>7pm Elders                                                       | 12<br>4:45pm Worship<br>Committee                 | 13<br>8:15am Chapel<br>9:15am Bible study<br>1:30pm Cumberland<br>Bible Study | 14<br>5pm Worship/Communion                                                                                     |
| 15<br>9:00am Worship/Communion<br>10:30am Bible Study/Sunday School<br>11:30am PTL Thanksgiving Dinner<br>3:00pm Confirmation<br>4:00pm Youth Group | 16<br>Pastor's day off                      | 17<br>6:00pm Parish Life and<br>Sunday School<br>6:00pm Bell Choir | 18<br>5:30pm Choir<br>7pm Ad Council                                                   | 19<br>9:30am Busy Bees<br>Mission Quilting        | 20<br>Kansas Dist. Youth<br>Gathering<br>8:15am Chapel<br>9:15am Bible study  | 21<br>Kansas Dist. Youth Gathering<br>7:30am Men's breakfast<br>5pm Worship/Communion<br>6:20pm Adult Inquirers |
| 22<br>Kansas Dist. Youth Gathering<br>9:00am Worship/Communion<br>10:30am Bible Study/Sunday School<br>3:00pm Confirmation<br>4:00pm Youth Group    | 23<br>NO SCHOOL<br>Pastor's day off         | 24<br>NO SCHOOL<br>6:00pm Bell Choir                               | 25<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>NO SCHOOL<br>5:30pm Choir<br>6:30pm Thanksgiving<br>Eve Worship | 26 Thanksgiving Day<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>NO SCHOOL | 27<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>NO SCHOOL                                              | 28<br>5pm Worship/Communion                                                                                     |
| 29<br>Mite Box Sunday<br>9:00am Worship/Communion<br>10:30am Bible Study/Sunday School<br>3:00pm Confirmation<br>4:00pm Youth Group                 | 30<br>Pastor's day off                      |                                                                    |                                                                                        | Verse of the month:<br>ESV 2 Thessalonians 2:13   |                                                                               | Altar Guild<br>Diane Okeson<br>Crystal Ray<br>Payton Ray<br>Jacob Ray<br>Rachel McNow                           |

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