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**Sunday, October 13, 2024
Twenty-First Sunday of Pentecost**

Service of Word and Prayer

Gathering

The Holy Spirit gathers us into a community of prayer.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.**

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: Rise Up, O Saints of God!

No. 669

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

669

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulfs earth's frame;
3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

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Music: William H. Walter, 1825-1893
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FESTAL SONG
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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.**

You are the treasured people of the Lord,
a people holy to the Lord our God.

Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn of the Month: Come to the Mountain

No. 32

E \flat

1 Je - sus took Pet - er, James, and John
2 "This is my Son!" said a voice from the cloud.
3 We will be changed like Je - sus our Lord,

E \flat /B \flat **B \flat**

up to the moun - tain to be a - lone.
"Lis - ten to him and do what he says!"
and live with him in heav - en a - bove.

E \flat **G 7** **Cm**

While they were watch - ing Je - sus was changed;
Soon as it came that vis - ion was gone,
But while we live on this earth - ly home,

A \flat **E \flat /B \flat** **A \flat** **E \flat**

and they saw Mo - ses face to face.
and they saw Je - sus stand - ing a - lone.
our work as ser - vants nev - er is done.

Refrain

A \flat **E \flat** **E \flat /B \flat** **E \flat**

Come to the moun - tain to see the light.

A \flat **E \flat** **F 7** **B \flat**

Come to the moun - tain to hear God's word.

A \flat **E \flat** **G 7** **Cm**

Go to the val - ley, it is your home.

A \flat **E \flat /B \flat** **A \flat /B \flat** **B \flat 7** **E \flat**

Go to the val - ley to serve the Lord.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, silence, reflection, and song.

First Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17

¹²So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?
Be gracious to your servants.**

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;
so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us
and as many years as we suffered adversity.**

¹⁶Show your servants your works,
and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

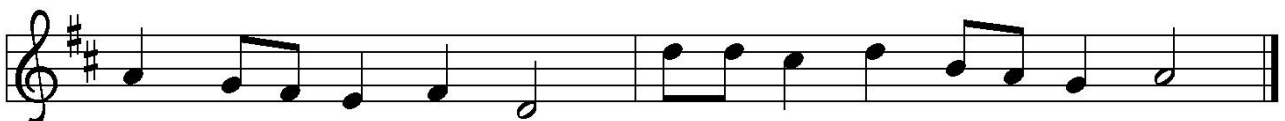
Word of God, word of life.

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Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

The holy gospel according to Mark,
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

²⁸Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Message

Sermon

Pastor Jen Herrmann

Hymn of the Day: God of Grace and God of Glory

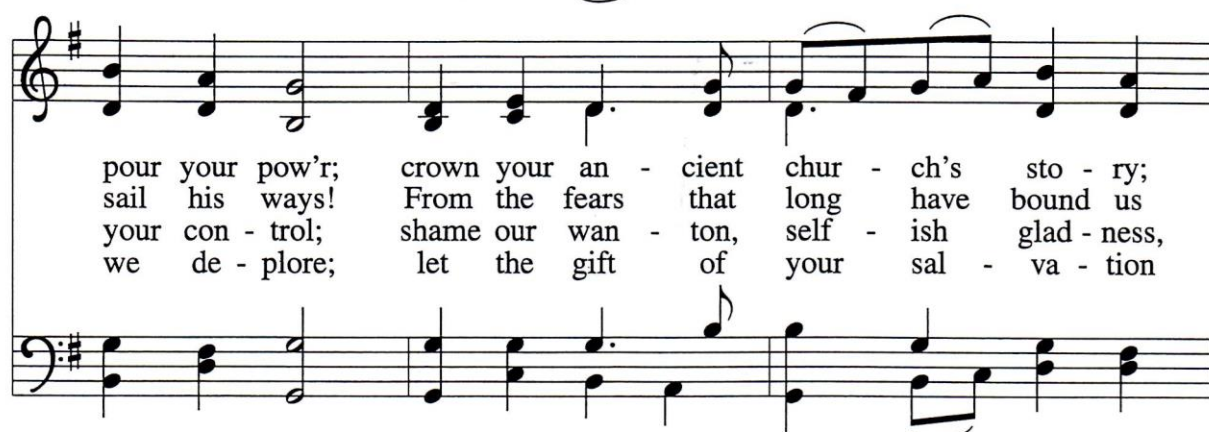
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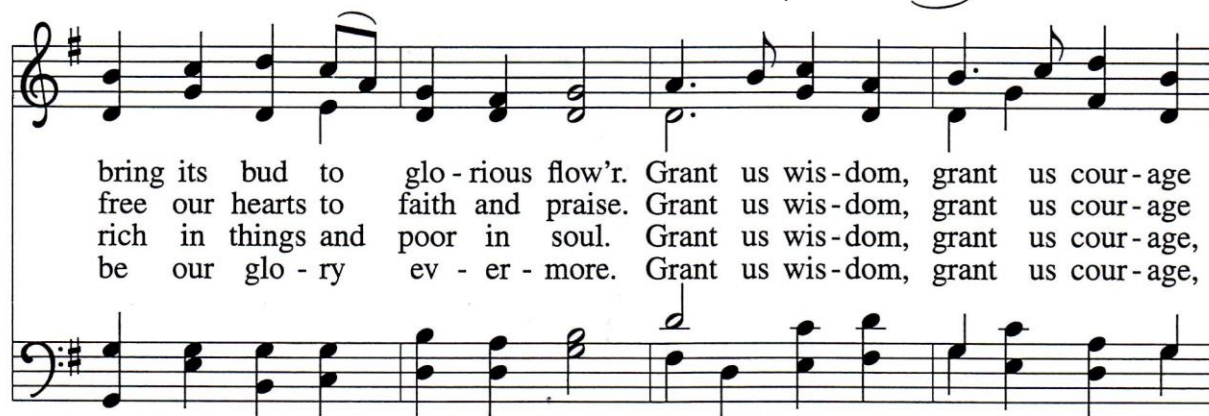
God of Grace and God of Glory



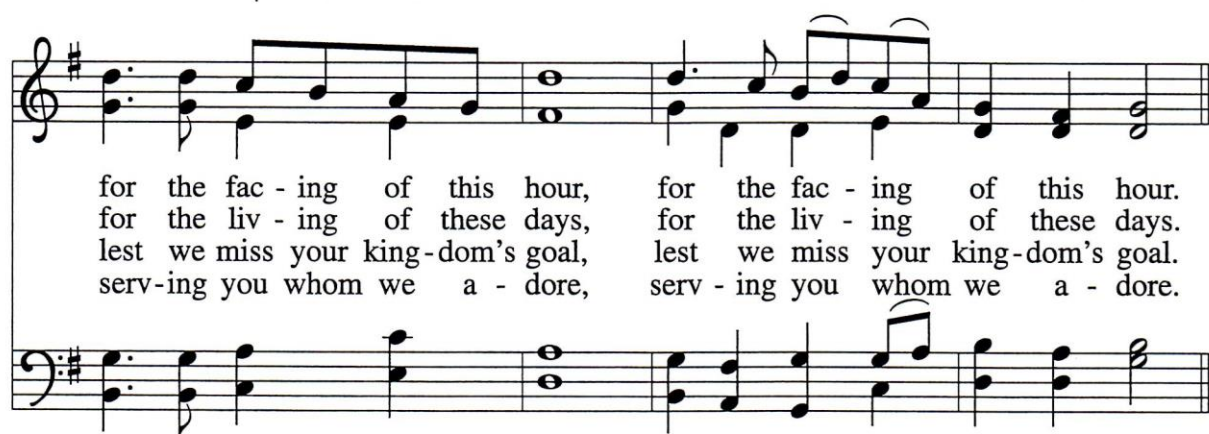
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Thanksgiving for the Word:

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

Offertory (Usher please bring the offering to the altar)

Offertory Song – Wind of the Spirit

No. 157

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "Wind of the Spir - it, move fresh as we wor - ship and fill us with hope ev - 'ry day. Breath of cre - a - tion, blow life in our be - ing, and gift us with pur - pose, we pray; so our life is filled with mean - ing, and love is what we're breath - ing in the wind of the Spir - it, wind of the Spir - it." The score includes guitar chords: E/A, E/G#, F#m, A/B, E, G#m7, F#m/C#, F#m7, and E.

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Music: Handt Hanson and Paul Murakami; arr. Henry Wiens
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Prayer:

The Holy Spirit prays with us and through us.

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 was 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 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.

In Christ Jesus we meet the God who knows our weakness and bears the wounds of the world.

Therefore, let us be bold as we pray, trusting that God draws near to those in any kind of need.

Silent Prayer

Prayers of Intercession

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

Compassionate God, embolden the church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Steadfast God, inspire world leaders to share resources and work collectively to end global poverty, starvation, and preventable disease. Direct us to seek justice and equity, that all may live in peace. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely (*especially*). Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Generous God, we give thanks for the first nations and tribes who inhabited this land (*local Indigenous tribes or settlements may be named*). We lament the harm done by colonization. Call us to deeper appreciation and care for the languages, rituals, and history of all Indigenous people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

The 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.**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

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.

Closing Hymn: Seek Ye First

No. 783

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

783

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al -

D F#m G D G

1 Seek ye . . . first the king - dom of God and its
 2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and
 3 We do not live by bread . . . a - lone, but by

le - lu - ia, al - le -

D Em A⁷ D F#m

righ - teous - ness, and all these things shall be
 you shall find; knock and the door shall be
 ev - 'ry word that pro - ceeds from the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

G D G D Em A D

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
 o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
 mouth . . . of . . . God. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

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Dismissal.

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit:

Thanks Be to God

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AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

At 8:00...

Pastor:	Pastor Jen Herrmann
Lectors:	Russ Stephens
Usher:	Guy Miller & Mark Wiedenheft
Acolyte:	Carlie Wiedenheft

At 10:30...

Pastor:	Pastor Jen Herrmann
Lectors:	Cathy Wobser
Usher:	Ken Schenk & Bonnie Lieb
Acolyte:	Malachi Herrmann

October Altar Care:	Barb Sessler & Bonnie Lieb
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PRAYER CONCERNS

Bill Hirt & family; in the passing of Terrie;
To all affected by the hurricanes, war in Israel and Ukraine; for all effected by
tornadoes, and flooding, mass shootings happening nationwide;
FAITH members, including, Laura Allen;
the people of Zion, Sandusky, and their pastor Mike Conklin;
the ministry of Nehemiah Partners in providing activities and services for
Sandusky youth and their families.

Pastor Jen can be contacted at 419-822-7630 or jen.herrmann@gmail.com

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Ken, Carrie, and Drew Killingsworth in celebration of Emma's 12th birthday.

THE MEMORIAL FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Wendy and David Wiedenheft in remembrance of Paul Wiedenheft's birthday on October 11.

DONATIONS TO OUR “PENNY JUG” support the global relief and habilitation efforts of ELCA World Hunger, a mission of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

THIS MORNING’S LOOSE CASH OFFERING (money not in an envelope or given without other designation) benefits Current Expenses Fund. **LOOSE CHECKS** will support our Current Expenses Fund unless designated otherwise on the check memo line.

ATTENDANCE

October 6: 40 + 28 = 68

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S GOODNESS

October 6:

General Fund - \$2,577.25

Building Improvements - \$310.00

This Week at Trinity

TODAY	Service of Word & Prayer	8:00 am & 10:30 am
	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Jam Session	9:30 am
WEDNESDAY	Women’s NA Group	9:00 am
	Crossroads Meal	1:00 pm
	“We All Belong” (Narcotics Anon.)	7:00 pm
SATURDAY	Pet Blessing at Parkvue	1:00 pm
	“We All Belong” (Narcotics Anon.)	11:00 am
SUNDAY	Communion Service	8:00 am & 10:30 am
	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Annual Congregational Meeting	9:15 am



IT'S THE TIME OF YEAR when the schedules for Communion assistants, Lectors, Acolytes, and Ushers need to be completed. If you would like to change your status or serve in one of these areas, please call the church office to let us know. Thank you.

MARGARETTE CEMETERY CLEANUP IS COMPLETE, and you can now put out your fall florals. Their next cleanup will be March 15, 2025.

CHILI COOKOFF here at Trinity on November 3 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm in the church basement/fellowship hall. Come and share your favorite chili recipe and maybe win a prize. We need all members, family, and friends to come, and taste test our contestants' entries and help choose a winner.



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Sunday, October 20 at
9:15 am between services**

This year's Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, October 20 at 9:15 am between services. Please plan on attending as your participation is essential to keeping Trinity a functioning congregation to its members and its community. As stated in Trinity's Constitution there needs to be 25 members present to constitute a quorum. So please show your support for your church.

Trinity will also be in need of new Council Chairs for several positions. Please see a member of council if you would be interested in any of these positions. Council meetings run about an hour to an hour and a half long and are currently scheduled for the third Thursday of each month. This is your chance to get new faces and ideas into your church activities and council.

President, currently held by Carrie Wiedenheft (this is a two-year term)

Congregational Life, currently held by Kathy Bango (this is a two-year term)

Faith Builders, currently held by Pat Wiedenheft (this is a two-year term)

If you would like further information on these positions, please see any council member. Again, your participation is what keeps Trinity going so please take some time to think these positions over and listen to God's call for your time and commitment to your church.

TRUNKS FOR TREATS - The annual event of Trunks for Treats will happen this year on Sunday, October 27th at 9:15 during the Sunday school hour. Everyone is invited to bring in treats to give to our Sunday school kids. Weather permitting, this will happen outside, and the children will go around the parking lot from car to car and receive a treat. We hope you will be involved in this and help our kids fill their bags with lots of goodies!



WE ARE IN NEED OF EMPTY CANDLE JARS that you no longer need for a project the Sunday school kids will be doing in November. If you have any, please put them in the box on the table in the corner of the upstairs fellowship area. We will be collecting these thru the end of October

PLEASE HELP OUT THE CASTALIA FLOWER shop by bringing your plastic flower containers back once your flowers have expired. Cheryl reuses them to help keep our costs down. Just give them to an usher on Sunday mornings or drop them off to the office during the week.

HURRICANE HELENE AND MILTON have brought extreme devastation — to Florida, North Carolina and Tennessee. Now, it is time to do what we do best: **roll up our sleeves and get to work.**

You've seen the news. Entire towns, roads and bridges have been washed away, and millions remain without power and cell service.

“We can't yet know what we're facing in terms of damage ... but I do know [this],” says the Rev. Timothy Smith, bishop of the North Carolina Synod. **“Lutheran Disaster Response, in partnership with our synod, along with other helpers, will be there for the long haul, and we will rally around our congregations, camps and communities.”**

“We are grateful for our partner Lutheran Disaster Response, which has provided support for our responses to the disasters this synod has experienced in the past and now has reached out to walk with us through this one,” says the Rev. Morgan Gordy, assistant to the bishop for disaster ministry in the Southeastern Synod.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TO LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE FOR HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF, PLEASE JUST MARK YOUR ENVELOPES AS SUCH AND TRINITY WILL SEND LUMP SUMP PAYMENTS AT THE END OF THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS.