

**We Welcome YOU to Worship at
Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford
August 16, 2026 NEWSLETTER**



Holy Communion – The 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

We, Lutherans, believe and teach that in this precious meal we

receive is not only the bread and wine, but also Christ's true Body and true Blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. Proper spiritual preparation is necessary to rightly receive this sacrament. Please read the Communion policy card in the bookrack of your pew.



Please be attentive to the ushers. They will guide you to come forward to receive the Holy Communion.

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

This week's Bible Readings

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1, 6–8

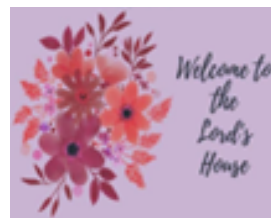
EPISTLE READING: Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 15:21–28

The Church Lives Under the Cross of Christ and Prays in the Hope of His Mercy

By her persistent prayer that Jesus would have mercy and help her (Matt. 15:22, 24), and even in the face of His initial silence and apparent rejection (Matt. 15:23–26), the Canaanite woman boldly confessed her faith in Him (Matt. 15:27–28). Her beautiful example encourages us to cling to the words and promises of the Gospel, even in the face of the Law that accuses and condemns us. *“For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable”* (Rom. 11:29), and His Law *“has consigned all to disobedience”* for the very purpose *“that he may have mercy on all”* (Rom. 11:32). Hence, the woman's faith and hope were not disappointed, but her prayers were answered in the mercy of Christ. Not only does He grant us the crumbs from His table, but He also feeds us with *“the children's bread”* in the house of His Father (Matt. 15:26–27). He has brought us to His *“holy mountain,”* and He makes us joyful in His house, where He hears our prayers and accepts our sacrifice of praise upon the altar of His cross (Is. 56:7).

**ARE YOU
a New Visitor to Trinity Lutheran Church? Please sign
our “Guest Book” on the Narthex table.**



Free Copies of “PORTAL OF PRAYERS” are available in the Narthex.

We Uplift in Prayer:

Inez Johnson,
Loretta Brown,
Alice Topnik,
Elizabeth Scheier,
Carol & Cliff Baker



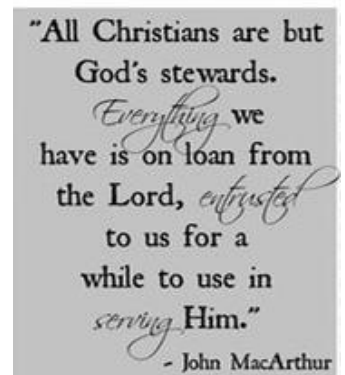
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pancake Breakfast Fellowship.

Calvin Presbyterian Church is inviting to the men and women of Trinity Lutheran Church, to a special pancake breakfast fellowship. On **Saturday, August 15 at 9:00am**, at Calvin Presbyterian Church, 33911 Hazelwood Avenue, Abbotsford, BC
Please let Eric know if you plan to attend to help plan for preparation.

NEXT SUNDAY~ August 23rd

10:00 am Divine Service ~ Pastor Henock Teklemariam



TLC Mission Statement ~ "Proclaiming Christ in Word and Deed"

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TLC Office Regular Hours 2026

Tues – Thurs: 9:00am - 3:00pm ~ Monday, Friday & Holidays-Closed