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**We Welcome YOU to Worship at
Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford
August 23, 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.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

This week's Bible Readings

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 56: 1–6

EPISTLE READING: Romans 11:33—12:8

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13–20

“Saved By Grace, Serving with Love”

Therefore, *“according to the measure of faith that God has assigned”* (Rom. 12:3), we also offer ourselves *“as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God”* (Rom. 12:1) through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Over the next two Sundays, the focus of our sermon meditation will be Romans 12. This is the second part of Paul's letter to the Romans. In the first part (Chapters 1-11), Paul addresses the basic presentation of sin and God's powerful grace through Jesus Christ. In the second part (starting from Chapter 12), Paul seems to logically move to the necessary consequence of that grace as it is lived out in the life of the people of God.

This is an exciting challenge for us as we realize that the Gospel is not a treasure to be stashed on the shelf. Rather, it is a treasure that drives the engines and energies of the lives of all it claims as God's redeemed people! Grace – energizing, life-enabling – marks the church that really works as God intends.

We Uplift in Prayer:

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT SUNDAY~ August 30th

10:00 am Divine Service / Vajda

**BUT HE GIVES GREATER
GRACE. THEREFORE HE SAYS
GOD RESISTS THE PROUD,
BUT GIVES GRACE TO
THE HUMBLE.**

JAMES 4:6

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The Lord Jesus Christ Is the Son of the Living God

Jesus asked His disciples: “*But who do you say that I am?*” (Matt. 16:15). The question is also put to us: Who do you say that He is? Flesh and blood do not reveal this to us, but by the ministry of the Gospel, the Father in heaven reveals His Son to us on earth, who has become flesh and suffered death for our salvation. Thus, we believe and confess that He is “*the Christ, the Son of the living God*” (Matt. 16:16). As He died for our transgressions and was raised for our justification, He looses us from all our sins and preserves our life within His Church, against which even “*the gates of hell shall not prevail*” (Matt. 16:18–19). His salvation is forever, and His righteousness “*will never be dismayed*” (Is. 51:6). He comforts us with the Gospel in His Church, so that “*joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song*” (Is. 51:3).

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



TLC Mission Statement ~ “Proclaiming Christ in Word and Deed”

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