



**Sunday, October 24, 2021  
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**Announcements**

**Opening Hymn: Amazing Grace**

**No. 779**

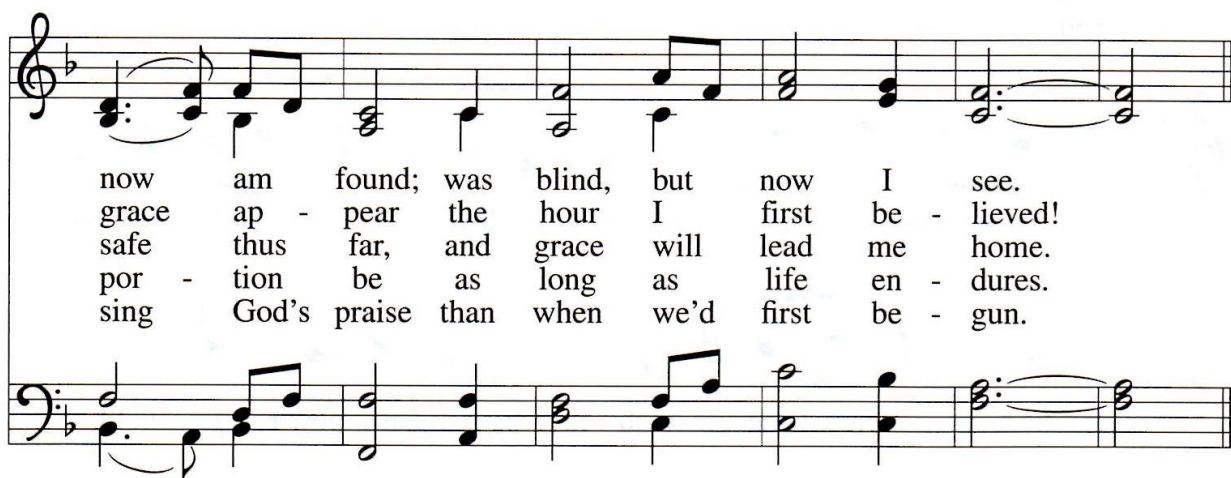
# Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound 779



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. God our comforter: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in ✝ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**Amen.**

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9**

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
“Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.”

<sup>8</sup>See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
those with child and those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup>With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 126

<sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,  
then were we like those who dream.

<sup>2</sup>**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.  
Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD has done great things for us,  
and we are glad indeed.

<sup>4</sup>**Restore our fortunes, O LORD,  
like the watercourses of the Negeb.**

<sup>5</sup>Those who sowed with tears  
will reap with songs of joy.

<sup>6</sup>**Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

## Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

<sup>23</sup>The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; <sup>24</sup>but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. <sup>25</sup>Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

<sup>26</sup>For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. <sup>27</sup>Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. <sup>28</sup>For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>46</sup>As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup>When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" <sup>48</sup>Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" <sup>49</sup>Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling

you.” <sup>50</sup>So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup>Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” <sup>52</sup>Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

## **Children’s Message**

### **Sermon**

### **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.**

### **Prayers of the Church**

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God’s creation.

Risen One, we give you thanks for congregations and ministries throughout the world that serve as centers of prayer and action. Empower missionaries, teachers, healers, evangelists, and all who are sent to share your song of joy. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, we give you thanks for generous land that produces abundant harvests. Strengthen and protect all soils, from rooftop gardens to prairie farmlands, to patio planters to fertile valleys, and bless all who lovingly tend them. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Ruling One, we give you thanks for leaders of nations who work to build up the common good. Strengthen efforts of reconciliation among all nations (*especially*), that peace extends in every direction. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Healing One, we give you thanks for all who labor for the health of others. Comfort and strengthen all who struggle with chronic pain. Send healing and relief to all who are sick (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Providing One, we give you thanks for all who provide for others. Inspire generosity in your people, so that we carry out the work of making disciples of all nations. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Living One, we give you thanks for the saints who have increased our faith. Give us courage to follow in hope until you gather us all around your table of abundance. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

**Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

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

**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.  
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 forever.  
**Amen.**

### **Blessing**

People of God,  
you are Christ's body,  
bringing new life to a suffering world.  
The holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: Oh Savior, Precious Savior**

**No. 820**



Join us!

**We need YOU here TODAY AT 2:00 PM**

For Trinity's Congregational Meeting. 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.



## O Savior, Precious Savior

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1 O Sav - ior, pre-cious Sav - ior, whom yet un - seen we love;  
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous-ly hast wrought,  
 3 In thee all full-ness dwell - eth, all grace and pow'r di - vine;  
 4 Oh, grant the con-sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove,

O name of might and fa - vor, all oth - er names a - bove:  
 thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love be - yond our thought:  
 the glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.  
 in end - less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love;

we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 then shall we praise and bless thee where per - fect prais-es ring,

we praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King.  
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra - cious Lord and King.  
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King.  
 and ev - er - more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!



## Dismissal

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

At 8:00...

|                 |                       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Interim Pastor: | Pastor Ralph Schibler |
| Lector:         | Carrie Wiedenheft     |
| Usher:          | Mark Wiedenheft       |

At 10:30...

|                 |                       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Interim Pastor: | Pastor Ralph Schibler |
| Lector:         | Cathy Wobser          |
| Usher:          | Barry Gill            |

October Altar Care: Barb Sessler, Missy Hacker, Susan Cullen

**MEMORIAL FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God by Greg Norman and Cindy Norman in memory of their father Les Norman on his birthday October 23.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Viola Liptok, at St. John hospital;  
Roger Troike, at Firelands hospital;  
For all directly or indirectly effected by the COVID-19 virus;  
FAITH members, including; Ruby Stierhoff;  
the people of Zion, Huron and their pastor, Kristine Schroeder;  
the staff and those served by the Volunteers of America Crossroads Shelter.

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

**(Last two weeks)**

General Fund - \$9,011.00

Building Improvements - \$567.00

## ATTENDANCE

October 17: 42 + 29 = 71    Sunday School:

**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 our Current Expenses Fund. **LOOSE CHECKS** will support our Current Expenses Fund unless designated otherwise on the check memo line.

### **This Week at Trinity**

|           |                                   |                    |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| TODAY     | Worship Services                  | 8:00 am & 10:30 am |
|           | Sunday School                     | 9:00 am            |
|           | Congregational Meeting            | 2:00 pm            |
| WEDNESDAY | “We All Belong” (Narcotics Anon.) | 7:00 pm            |
| SATURDAY  | “We All Belong” (Narcotics Anon.) | 11:00 am           |
| SUNDAY    | Worship Services                  | 8:00 am & 10:30 am |
|           | Confirmation                      |                    |
|           | Trunk for Treats                  | 9:00 am            |



### **TRUNKS FOR TREATS!**

We will once again be having Trunks for Treats for our Sunday School kids on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> during the Sunday School hour.

We are asking again this year that your treat be in individual bags. If you are giving out numerous pieces of candy, please put them in a plastic bag together. No loose candy for the kids or you to put any hands into.

We want to keep this as safe as possible for our kids here at the church and yet let everyone have a good time.



# We NEED you. Can you HELP?

Our youth will be collecting items during the month of October to help them with a project they will be doing with the kids at Grace Lutheran church.

HELP THE HOMELESS is a new activity that is taking the place of Cardboard City that our kids normally participated in.

They will be meeting for one night to learn about homelessness in our area, pack up the items we are collecting and add them with the bags that were made up during our Gods Work, Our Hands Day activity.

We are asking for you to bring in one of each of the following items to make up one kit:

- 1 winter hat adult size
- 1 pair of gloves adult size
- 1 snack bar
- 1 wash cloth with a bar of soap



If you would like you can place your items in a Ziplock bag to make one kit. Then place your completed kits in the basket at the front entrance of the Sanctuary.

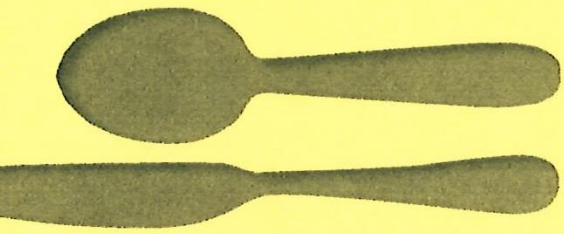

Again, we will be doing this only during the month of October, so the 31<sup>st</sup> will be the last day to turn them in.



ANNUAL  
CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

**TODAY AT 2:00 PM**



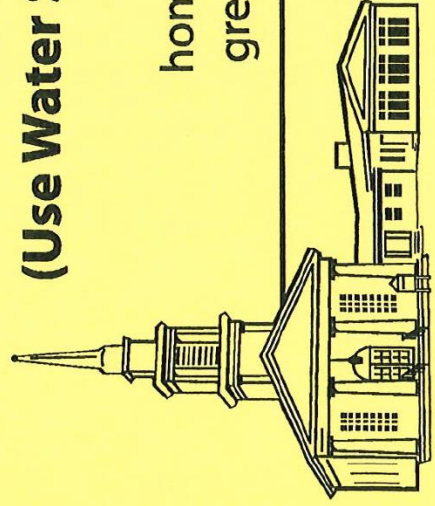


# ROASTBEEF DINNER

**Saturday, November 6, 2021  
4:00 p.m. until sold out**

**Drive thru service only • \$10 meal  
(Use Water Street entrance across from Post Office)**

Slow cooked roast beef,  
home cooked mashed potatoes with gravy,  
green beans, cole slaw, dinner roll, dessert



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