



"O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant." - Nehemiah 1:11

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**congregation stands*

WELCOME

New to Trinity Lone Oak? See back cover for guest information.

AS WE GATHER

What is ruined in your life? Is it a relationship? Your career? Maybe it's your zest for life. Today we begin a six-week series on Nehemiah called "Rebuilding the Ruins." The first sermon is called, "**Lord, Send Me!**"

*INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Jesus promises,

C **I will build my church,**

P And the gates of hell will not overcome it!

C **And so we say with great joy,**

P Christ is our Cornerstone.

C **On him alone we build.**

P With his true saints alone,

C **The courts of heaven are filled.**

P On his great love,

C **Our hopes we place of present grace**

P And joys above.

C **Let us worship our merciful and loving God.**

P Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

*HYMN

CHRIST IS OUR CORNERSTONE

LSB 912, vs. 1

1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone we build;
 With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His
 great love Our hopes we place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.

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*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Hear us, merciful Father, as we confess our sins of thought, word and deed.

C **Too often the ruins in our lives don't bother us.**

P We become complacent and blind to the brokenness in us and all around us.

C **We become used to the rubble and live as though it doesn't matter.**

P And Lord, you know that we can't rebuild what we don't see as ruined.

C **Forgive our faults.**

P Cleanse us from our complacency.

C **And come to the aid of your people.**

P In today's second lesson Paul writes, "For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ." Jesus is the foundation of forgiveness, the doorway to deliverance and the gateway to glory. Because of his shed blood, death on the cross and empty tomb, all your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. And so we say with great joy, Christ is our Cornerstone.

C **On him alone we build!**

*HYMN

CHRIST IS OUR CORNERSTONE

LSB 912, vs. 2, 3

2 Here may we gain from heav'n
The grace which we implore,
And may that grace, once giv'n,
Be with us evermore
Until that day
When all the blest
To endless rest
Are called away.

3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise
These hallowed courts shall ring;
Our voices we will raise
The Three in One to sing
And thus proclaim
In joyful song,
Both loud and long,
That glorious name.

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*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Father in heaven unless, you build the house, those who build it labor in vain. Come, and by your mercy, empower us rebuild what is ruined, restore what is rubble and resurrect what has long been dead; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever.

C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Nehemiah 1

¹The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah.

Now it happened in the month of Chislev, in the twentieth year, as I was in Susa the capital, ²that Hanani, one of my brothers, came with certain men from Judah. And I asked them concerning the Jews who escaped, who had survived the exile, and concerning Jerusalem. ³And they said to me, "The remnant there in the province who had survived the exile is in great trouble and shame. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates are destroyed by fire."

⁴As soon as I heard these words I sat down and wept and mourned for days, and I continued fasting and praying before the God of heaven. ⁵And I said, "O LORD God of heaven, the great and awesome God who

keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, ⁶let your ear be attentive and your eyes open, to hear the prayer of your servant that I now pray before you day and night for the people of Israel your servants, confessing the sins of the people of Israel, which we have sinned against you. Even I and my father's house have sinned. ⁷We have acted very corruptly against you and have not kept the commandments, the statutes, and the rules that you commanded your servant Moses. ⁸Remember the word that you commanded your servant Moses, saying, 'If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the peoples, ⁹but if you return to me and keep my commandments and do them, though your dispersed be under the farthest skies, I will gather them from there and bring them to the place that I have chosen, to make my name dwell there.' ¹⁰They are your servants and your people, whom you have redeemed by your great power and by your strong hand. ¹¹O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant, and to the prayer of your servants who delight to fear your name, and give success to your servant today, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man."

Now I was cupbearer to the king.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 3:6–11

⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. ⁹For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

¹⁰According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. ¹¹For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:13–18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th Chapter.

C **Glory be to You, I Lord.**

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to You, O Christ.**

*APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

SERMON

"Lord, Send Me!"

HYMN OF RESPONSE

HARK, THE VOICE OF JESUS CRYING

LSB 826



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?
2 If you can - not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,
3 If you can - not be a watch - man, Stand - ing high on Zi - on's wall,
4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth - ing I can do,"



Fields are white and har - vests wait - ing— Who will bear the sheaves a - way?"
You can tell the love of Je - sus, You can say He died for all.
Point - ing out the path to heav - en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all,
While the mul - ti - tudes are dy - ing And the Mas - ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; Rich re - ward He of - fers thee.
If you can - not rouse the wick - ed With the judg - ment's dread a - larms,
With your prayers and with your boun - ties You can do what God com - mands;
Take the task He gives you glad - ly, Let His work your plea - sure be;



Who will an-swer, glad-ly say-ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
You can lead the lit-tle chil-dren To the Sav-ior's wait-ing arms.
You can be like faith-ful Aar-on, Hold-ing up the proph-et's hands.
An-swer quick-ly when He call-eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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OFFERING

INSTALLATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Based on Nehemiah 1:5-11)

P O LORD, God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and listen to his commands,

C **Let your ear be attentive,**

P And your eyes open to our prayers.

C **We confess our sins, our sins that we have committed against you.**

P We have not obeyed the commands, decrees and laws you gave your servant Moses.

C **Yet we are your servants and your people,**

P Whom you redeemed by your great strength and your mighty hand.

C **O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayers of your servants,**

P For we delight in revering your name.

C **Give your servants success by granting us favor,**

P As we look at the ruins and rubble and dare to say,

C **Lord, send me!**

+ Additional Prayers +

P Father, with great confidence and joy we say,

C **Christ is our Cornerstone.**

P Oh Him alone we build!

C **Amen.**

*LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.**

***BENEDICTION**

P But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit.
 C **To him who is able to keep us from falling,**

P And to present us before his glorious presence
 C **Without fault and with great joy.**

P To the only God our Savior be glory,
 C **Majesty, power and authority;**

P Through Jesus Christ our Lord now and forevermore!
 C **Amen.**

HYMN TO DEPART

TO GOD BE THE GLORY



1 To God be the glo - ry, great things He has done, So
 2 To God be the glo - ry, great mer - cy He's shown: He
 3 To God be the glo - ry, His Word is great truth, In -
 4 To God be the glo - ry, His great - ness di - vine Now
 5 To God be the glo - ry, great things He has done, Our



loved He the world that He gave us His Son. Who
 saved us and cleansed us and made us His own; Re -
 struct - ing and guid - ing since days of our youth: The
 of - fers for - give - ness with bread and with wine, And
 lives have been touched by the light of His Son— Called



yield - ed His life an a - tone-ment for sin And
 newed by the Spir - it, re - born from a - bove, That
 Law to re - prove, to cor - rect, and to train; The
 fed by His bod - y and blood in this place, We
 out of the dark - ness of death and de - spair; Made



o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 we might be jus - ti - fied by His rich love!
 Gos - pel to com - fort, to heal and sus - tain.
 taste and we see the Lord's won - der - ful grace!
 priests in His king - dom, His deeds to de - clare.

Refrain



1-4 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His
 5 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His



voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the peo - ple re -
 voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the peo - ple re -



joice! O come to the Fa - ther, through Je - sus the
 joice! Sing praise to the Fa - ther, sing praise to the



Son, And give Him the glo - ry, great things He has done!
 Son, Sing praise to the Spir - it— our God, Three in One!

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Serving our Lord

| | | September 12, 2021 | September 19, 2021 |
|----------------|---------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Musician | | Marissa Bernau | Marissa Bernau |
| Cantor | | Dave Workmnan | Andrew Koch |
| Altar Guild | | Roxanne and Gary Foley | Roxanne and Gary Foley |
| Elder | 8am | Andy Olson | Open |
| | 10:30am | Kurt Vallin | Open |
| Reader | 8am | Andy Olson | Tim Morris |
| | 10:30am | Kurt Vallin | Keith Prusak |
| Usher Team | 8am | Layne Streich | Gary Sheets |
| | 10:30am | Lance Halverson | Paul Anderson |
| Greeter(s).... | 8am | Open | Carolyn Wesling |
| | 10:30am | Lynn Kroonblawd | Open |
| Acolyte(s) | 8am | Usher Team | Caleb Morris |
| | 10:30am | Andrew Swenson and Eric Hakanson | Open |
| Projectionist | 8am | Jean Peterson | Open |
| | 10:30am | Open | Open |
| Live Stream | 8am | Jim Nicklas | Jim Nicklas |



Vet's Dinner

Monday, September 13 | 6:00-8:00pm

Vets, come eat and visit with others who have served or are serving our country! The roast beef meal is complimentary and served by Trinity Lutheran Church, 600 Walnut, Farmington MN. See poster in the narthex for full details.



Attention Men

We're building a contact list of men willing to be called upon to assist TLO congregation members and community in tangible ways such as lawn care, general home repair, car maintenance, moving furniture, etc. To be added to the list, call the church office with your contact information. Thank you! —Pastor Kroonblawd



TLO Congregation Endowment

The Endowment Board has approximately \$5,900.00 available for non-budgeted, non-recurring expenses. If your TLO board can use all or part of this amount, complete a request form and return it to the TLO Endowment Board via church office mailbox by October 17, 2021.



Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church
Voters' Meeting Agenda
September 19, 2021 | 11:45am
TLO Gym



- Call to Order
- Open Meeting with Devotion and Prayer
- Review Voters' Meeting Minutes from May 16, 2021
- Board and Officer Reports

Written reports will be available on Sunday, September 19, in the gym. Please review the reports and ask questions at the meeting.

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| Pastor's Report | Principal's Report | Board of Christian Education |
| Board of Elders | Board of Endowment | Board of Christian Outreach |
| Board of Trustees | Board of Stewardship | Board of Social Ministry |
| Finance Secretary | Treasurer | President |

New Business

- Joining Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) – Church Alliance and Ministry Alliance
- Elections for Open Officer and Board Positions:

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|---------------------|--|
| Vice President | Board of Christian Education (2) |
| Recording Secretary | Board of Worship - Chairperson |
| Board of Elders (2) | Board of Social Ministry - Chairperson |

Other Business

- New Members Signing of Constitution

Motion to Adjourn
 Close with Prayer



Pick up Portals of Prayer for October-December. Choose carefully, as the color is similar to last quarter's.



Sunday school news

Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church and School remains steadfastly committed to providing for the safety of all receiving ministry and providing ministry. Due to the current high transmission rates of COVID and the Delta variant in Dakota County:

- Masks are required for Sunday School when in the TLO Education building. Bring your own or we will have some at the door. This policy will be reviewed on a weekly basis.
- Masks are recommended for people attending TLO Sunday worship services, Adult Bible studies in the gym and Conference Room.

Thanks be to God for Our Sunday School Staff 2021-2022

TLO Sunday School Superintendent:

Pinky Seeman

Preschool (3 & 4 year olds) meets in the Pre-K 1 classroom on the upper level of the school

Teacher: Michelle Wills

Kindergarten meets in the Pre-K 2 classroom on the upper level of the school

Teacher: Daryl Buecksler

1st and 2nd Grades meet in the kindergarten classroom on the upper level of the school

Teacher: Elizabeth Berg

3rd and 4th Grades meet in the second grade classroom on the upper level of the school

Teacher: Lana Siewert-Olson

5th through 8th Grades meet in the third grade classroom on the upper level of the school

Teachers: Chris Martin, Matthew Berg

High School meets in the Youth Room

Teacher: Jon Peterson

TLO Sunday School Secretary:

Cheri Breitinger

Substitute Teachers:

Lynn Kroonblawd

Tim Morris

Matt Seeman

Sarah Willmott



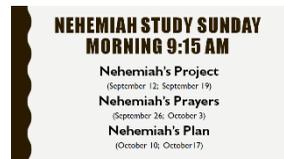
Bible study line up

You are encouraged to seek out one or more of these opportunities to grow your faith. More studies listed at www.trinityloneoak.org or in the church office.

Nehemiah — Led by Pastor James Kroonblawd

Sundays, through October 17 | 9:15am

Teddy Roosevelt, our nation's twenty-sixth president, called himself, "A plain, ordinary man—highly motivated." That's Nehemiah. Plain. Ordinary. But high motivated! And that is God's gift to us this fall—motivation to be about rebuilding the ruins. Join us for our in-depth study of this fascinating book of the Bible!



Households of Faith — Led by Pastor Reed Lessing

Sundays through October 24 | 9:15am

How Christians order their days and connect with relatives and housemates is a critical aspect of spiritual growth. Households of Faith presents a vivid portrait of the domestic lives of U.S. practicing Christians, including:



- An overview of modern living arrangements and the relationships that define them
- Details of housemates' regular interactions—practical, recreational and spiritual
- Insights about relationships that have a positive influence on housemates
- Analysis of how faith heritage is linked to beliefs and rituals in adulthood
- Interviews with experts about reaching a variety of households
- Custom profiles of vibrant households

In addition to all-new research and data visualizations, *Households of Faith* from LHM provides vital principles to strengthen followers of Christ, their homes and, ultimately, the family of God.

"Matthew," a Living Way study — Led by Pastor James Kroonblawd

Mondays | 10:00am | TLO Conference Room

"Could Jesus be the Messiah?" Matthew's Jewish readers wanted to know. When Jesus stood on trial before the Sanhedrin, the high priest put the fateful question to Him directly: "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ" (Matt. 26:63). Matthew leaves no doubt. This man Jesus IS the one! The new age of God's reign has begun in Him.

Men's Bible Study—Topics vary

Wednesdays | 6:30am | TLO Conference Room

This vibrant men's group studies a variety of topics, all grounded in God's Word. Come deepen your faith as we apply this Gospel message to our lives.

| COMING UP AT TLO — September 12, 2021 — September 19, 2021 | | |
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| SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | | |
| Sun | 8:00*am | Worship in sanctuary |
| | 9:15am | Education Hour for all ages |
| | 10:30am | Worship in sanctuary |
| | 11:30am | Rally Day picnic fundraiser for NYG followed by games! Please join in! |
| | 5:30pm | 9th grade confirmation class |
| | 6:30pm | Pizza for TLO Youth |
| | 7:00pm | NYG meeting |
| Mon | 10:00am | Adult Bible study |
| | 6:30pm | Trail Life USA |
| Wed | 6:30am | Men's Bible Study |
| | 2:00pm | Board of Stewardship |
| Fri | 9:00am | Women of the Word (WoW) |
| | evening | Heath-Starksen Wedding Rehearsal |
| Sat | | Heath-Starksen Wedding |
| SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | | |
| Sun | 8:00*am | Worship with Holy Communion in sanctuary |
| | 9:15am | Education Hour for all ages |
| | 10:30am | Worship with Holy Communion in sanctuary |
| | 11:30am | Voter's Meeting |
| *worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org | | |

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: September 5, 2021

| General Fund Income: | | | |
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| | Current and Mission Weekly Offering | \$ | 7,316.00 |
| | (Our offering budget is \$7,980 per week) | | |
| | Building Reserve Fund | \$ | 911.00 |
| | (Our offering budget is \$665 for per week) | | |
| | 1883 Fund | \$ | 1,500.00 |
| | Acorn Scholarship Fund | \$ | 200.00 |
| | Sunday school | \$ | 0.52 |
| | Tuition | \$ | 18,587.72 |
| | Verizon Tower Rental | \$ | 1,791.08 |
| | Church and school fees | \$ | 2,636.92 |
| | Subtotal General Fund Income | \$ | 32,943.24 |
| Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending) | | | |
| | YTF2 | \$ | 375.00 |



Remember in prayer

Pam Burdick, recovering at home and in need of our prayers

Rosella Brown, Pam's mom, working through several complicated health issues

Corrine, Jenna's mom, prayers during chemo treatment appreciated

Gary Foley recovering from surgery

Michael Hinrichs, Andrea's son, recovering from open heart surgery

Jebin Joseph, recovering from surgery; family requests ongoing prayer through follow up care

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Brian Motz - in need of our prayer

Richard Hermanson, father of Mary Ann Nagengast, TLO preschool teacher, hospitalized again

Ian Olander, TLO grade 2 student, updates on caringbridge.org/visit/iano

Charlie Olson, Andy's dad, undergoing cancer treatment

Marvin Rahn for strength and good health while living at Brookdale in Eagan

Jon Sell, nephew of Irlene and Irma, hospitalized with COVID-19

Edsel Vierling, age 3, returned to hospital this week

Jason Vierling, recovering from leg amputation

Glenn and Dianne Vierling, in need of continued prayer for recovery after covid

Laverne Ziebell, prayers requested as he works through ongoing health problems



It's with joy that Daryl and Lorrie Buecksler welcome their 5th grandchild, Dylan John, born to Elijah and Brianna Buecksler. Dylan is welcomed by two older brothers, Zane and Kyler. We praise our Creator God for knitting Dylan together, as spoken of in Psalm 139:14 *"I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well."*



Please keep Paul Heath and Hannah Starksen in prayer as they prepare for their marriage. Paul and Hannah will be married at TLO this Saturday, September 18. Marriage is God's design, and we rejoice that God is bringing this couple together for a life woven around Him. *"A cord of three strands is not quickly broken."* Ecc. 4:12



Birthdays this week

Sept 12 Stephan Cahn, Jon Peterson

Sept 13 Calla Mason, Liam Niehaus, Lillian Olander, Glenn Vierling

Sept 14 Finnegan Bruggemann, Jebin Joseph

Sept 15 Jenna Arnold, Pat Maloney

Anniversaries this week

Sept 12 Jeff and Diane Forthun

Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to one of our pastors, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

For those with small children, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children's bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

Restrooms are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.



Today's Schedule

8:00am — Worship

9:15am—Education for all ages

- Preschool through grade 8 students—meet in school upper hallway
- Sr. High Youth—meet in youth room
- Adults—choose from two great studies
- Infant and toddler care — nursery on sanctuary level

10:30am—Worship

11:30am—Picnic and family activities



Rally Day Picnic and Afternoon of Fun!
TODAY! September 12, 11:30am



Share a meal and support TLO's grade 9-12 students heading to the LCMS's National Youth Gathering in Houston 2022. Lunch is available for a nominal fee of \$5. Games for all ages enables you to visit with old friends and make some new ones. Don't miss this! Your participation makes the day more fun!