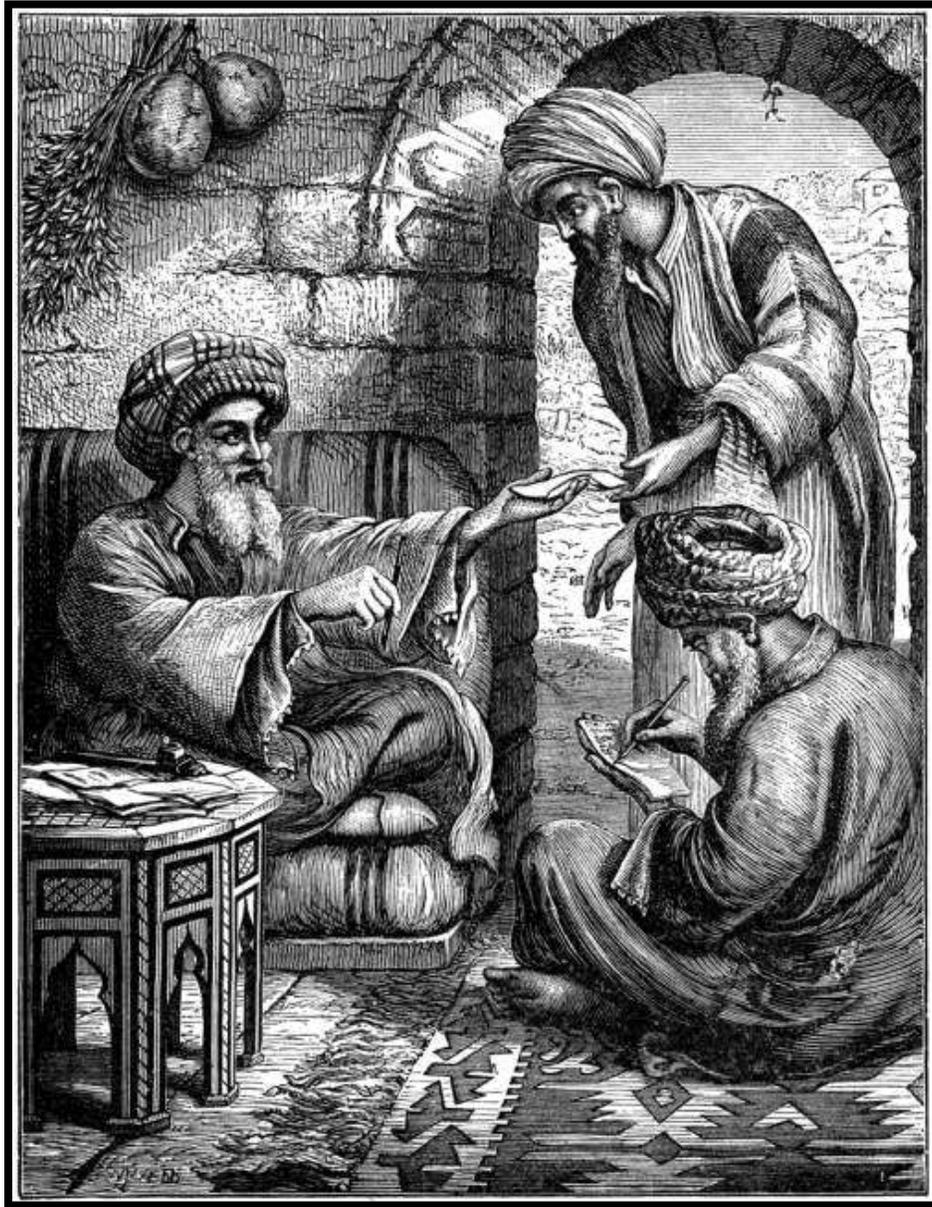

HYMNS AND LESSONS
FOR
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Per government directives, TGSLC is still closed for events, gatherings, and services.
Next week we join in-person! Please see page 7.
Please use this folder for your personal devotions and to prepare to watch Pr's sermon online.

Hymn

809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!



Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 22:26-34

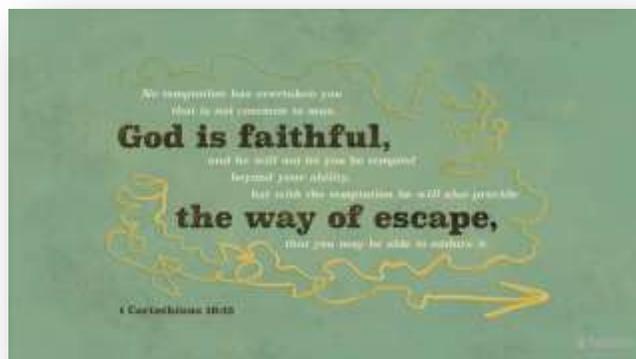
- ²⁶“With the merciful you show yourself merciful;
with the blameless man you show yourself blameless;
²⁷with the purified you deal purely,
and with the crooked you make yourself
seem tortuous.
²⁸You save a humble people,
but your eyes are on the haughty to
bring them down.
²⁹For you are my lamp, O LORD,
and my God lightens my darkness.
³⁰For by you I can run against a troop,
and by my God I can leap over a wall.
³¹This God—his way is perfect;
the word of the LORD proves true;
he is a shield for all those who take
refuge in him.
³²“For who is God, but the LORD?
And who is a rock, except our God?
³³This God is my strong refuge
and has made my way blameless.
³⁴He made my feet like the feet of a deer
and set me secure on the heights.”



Epistle

1 Corinthians 10:6-13

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.



Holy Gospel

Luke 16:1-9

¹[Jesus] also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' ³And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' ⁷Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' ⁸The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings."

(See also page 8 of this Folder)

Hymn of the Day

730 [What Is the World to Me](#)



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed plea - sure
2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the might - y
3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mam - mon of - fers
4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my trea - sure,



When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, are my trea - sure!
Yet nev - er once re - flects That they are frail and flight - y.
Yet nev - er is con - tent Though gold should fill its cof - fers.
My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my plea - sure,



You on - ly, dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be;
But what I tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He,
I have a high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be:
My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly.



You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
My Je - sus, He a - lone. What is the world to me!
My Je - sus is my wealth. What is the world to me!
Once more, then, I de - clare: What is the world to me!

Prayer of the Church

Response to petitions is, 'hear our prayer'.

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For the priesthood of all the baptized, that they would be humble and merciful, faithful in their vocations, and grateful for the salvation they have in Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord:

For the Lord of the harvest to fill His vineyard of grace with faithful workers, that His Means of Grace would be available to sinners in need the world over, let us pray to the Lord:

For Matthew, our Synod president; Michael, our district president; Jonathan, our circuit visitor; Bruce, our pastor; and all pastors in Christ, that they would preach the Gospel in its purity and administer the Sacraments according to Christ's institution, let us pray to the Lord:

For the strength to resist the temptations that assault God's children, especially the temptations to indulge in sexual immorality or to be overcome with the love of money, that they would repent where they have fallen prey to these temptations and, with God's help, strive to be chaste and content, let us pray to the Lord:

For a faithful prayer life among God's children, that they would call upon the Lord when in need, give Him thanks for the provisions He provides for body and soul, and praise Him in everything, let us pray to the Lord:

For good government among us, that we might live in freedom and peace without violence or oppression, let us pray to the Lord:

For those experiencing physical afflictions at this time, *especially Alice, April, Charlotte, Cynthia, Dalton, David, Debra, Irmgard, Jod, Johnathan, Katheryn, Lucy, Lynette, Marc, Marie, Marion and her family, Martin, Philip, Rex, Rodgers, Royce, Susan, Susie, and Tom*, that they would be delivered from every trouble and strengthened in their faith, let us pray to the Lord:

For Rev. Michael Abrams, as he grieves deaths of his father and of his brother-in-law (from SARS-CoV-19), let us pray to the Lord:

For those who receive Christ's body and blood this day, that they would be strengthened and preserved in the one true faith, let us pray to the Lord:

For faithfulness until this life's end, or until the day of Christ's return in glory, that we would be among the great multitude that no one could number in Christ's kingdom, which has no end, let us pray to the Lord:

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



Hymn

673 [Jerusalem, My Happy Home](#)



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home,
 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints,
 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks
 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit



When shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows
 O sweet and pleas - ant soil! In thee no sor - row
 Con - tin - ual - ly are green; There grow such sweet and
 And ev - er - more do spring; There ev - er - more the



have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
 may be found, No grief, no care, no toil.
 pleas - ant flow'rs As no - where else are seen.
 an - gels dwell And ev - er - more do sing.

- 5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there
 Around my Savior stand;
 And soon my friends in Christ below
 Will join the glorious band.
- 6 O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare
 For that bright home of love
 That I may see Thee and adore
 With all Thy saints above.



Jan and Hubert van Eyck - Adoration of the Mystic Lamb, also known as the Ghent Altarpiece - 1432

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Amani ya Bwana na Mungu akubariki!
(In Swahili) The Peace of the Lord and God bless you!

✠ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

Outdoor Worship to Begin



Check your email for Pastor's letter from Friday, the 7th. Join us next Sunday, 16 August, as we resume gathering on-site at TGSLC for worship at 10 a.m.!

Please pre-register with the Church Office in order that we may have enough chairs set up outside.

A Stewardship Thought for Trinity 9

Luke 16:8b – “For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.” Money is a tool that can be used for good or wicked purposes. Often, unbelievers show more shrewdness in this than we Christians. If we really believe all that stuff we say in the Creed every Sunday, won't that affect how we use our money?



Ways to Give Offerings to TGSLC, **for the Lord's Work to Continue in This Place** **and Around the World**

In Person: Drop in Plate in Narthex on Sundays

By Mail: Send to Church Office

Online: [Here](https://tgslcms.org/community-outreach/donate/) / <https://tgslcms.org/community-outreach/donate/> Email the Church Office for Password

Synod Sentences for Trinity 9



For Christ is the one son of light who is the most zealous, the most single-minded. He gives out the possessions of His Father with wanton abandon, not in wastefulness, but for your benefit. For these can't be wasted. They never run out. And so He lavishes the grace and mercy of God upon you without price, without charging you a cent, without keeping any books, without demanding any accounting of you. Christ takes all that belongs to the Father and gives it to you in abundance. And the treasures He gives never run out, never fade away, but are stored where moth and rust cannot destroy. They are eternal. They never end.

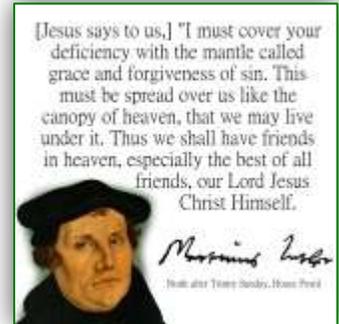
A Life Thought from Lutherans For Life



Temptations to idolatry exist today as they did in biblical times. The great idol “Death” draws many to its altar. They look to death for rescue from a crisis pregnancy or chronic disease or pain. Death's allure is so great it even tempts Christians to bow before it. But we have a way out of such temptations to faithlessness: “God is faithful” (1 Corinthians 10:1-13). Christ our “Rock” never leaves us (10:4). We can trust in Him. *Rock of our salvation, may Your faithful service to us through Your cross and resurrection move us to be faithful to You. Amen.*

From Martin Luther's Sermon for The Ninth Sunday after Trinity Luke 16:1-9

But true faith, of which we speak, cannot be manufactured by our own thoughts, for it is solely a work of God in us, without any assistance on our part. As Paul says to the Romans, 5:15, it is God's gift and grace, obtained by one man, Christ. Therefore, faith is something very powerful, active, restless, effective, which at once renews a person and again regenerates him, and leads him altogether into a new manner and character of life, so that it is impossible not to do good without ceasing. For just as natural as it is for the tree to produce fruit, so natural is it for faith to produce good works. And just as it is quite unnecessary to command the tree to bear fruit, so there is no command given to the believer, as Paul says, nor is urging necessary for him to do good, for he does it of himself, freely and unconstrained; just as he of himself without command sleeps, eats, drinks, puts on his clothes, hears, speaks, goes and comes. Whoever has not this faith talks but vainly about faith and works, and does not himself know what he says or whither it tends. For he has not received it; he juggles with lies and applies the Scriptures where they speak of faith and works to his own dreams and false thoughts, which is purely a human work. Whereas the Scriptures attribute both faith and good works not to ourselves, but to God alone.



From the CONCORDIA COMMENTARY: LUKE, by Rev. Dr. Art Just, Luke 16:1-13

He also said to the disciples, "There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and this one was accused to him as squandering his possessions. And calling him he said to him, 'What is this I hear concerning you? Surrender the account of your management, for you are not able still to manage.' And the steward said to himself, 'What shall I do, because my lord is taking away the management from me? I do not have the strength to dig; I am ashamed to beg. I know what I will do, with the result that when I am dismissed from my management, they may receive me into their homes.' And calling to himself each and every one of the debtors of his lord, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my lord?'

"And he said, 'One hundred baths of olive oil.'

"And he said to him, 'Take your bill and sitting down, quickly write fifty.'

"Then to another he said, 'How much do you owe?'

"And he said, 'One hundred kors of wheat.'

"He says to him, 'Take your bill and write eighty.'

"And the lord praised the steward of unrighteousness because he had acted prudently; because the sons of this present age are more prudent in their own generation than the sons of light.

"I also say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous mammon, with the result that, when it fails utterly, they may receive you into the eternal tents.

"The one who is faithful in very little is also faithful much, and the one who is unrighteous in a very little is also unrighteous in much." If, therefore, you have not become faithful in unrighteous mammon, who will entrust you with the true thing? And if you have not become faithful in that belonging to another, who will give to you what is yours?

"No domestic servant is able to serve two lords; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be attached to one and despise the other. You are not able to serve God and mammon."