

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

We are so glad you are here!! May the joy of Christ be with you all!  
Welcome!!



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Pastor Barney Matocha

Kara Hairell Speed, Youth & Family Minister

Celebration of Thanksgiving  
for  
Pastor Barney and Leah Matocha

Silent Prayer Before Worship

Bells

Greeting

Prelude

"In Adam We Have All Been One"

Leah Matocha, organist

Call to Worship

L: This is the day of new beginnings:

**C: A time to remember but not leave behind;**

L: a time to believe what love is bringing;

**C: a time to seek the new paths we are sure to find.**

L: We know Christ is alive and goes before us

**C: to show and to share what His love can do.**

L: This is the day of new beginnings:

**C: Let us praise God who makes all things new!**

Confession and Forgiveness

**C: Sometimes God, we take ourselves so seriously  
—our opinions, our emotions, our needs, our entitlements—  
that we fail to notice our effect on others.**

**And we do not make connections between our limitless wants  
and the resources left for others.**

**We do this without knowing it.**

**Bring our awareness to justice for all**

**to the common good, to Your universality of blessings.**

**Remind us You love all.**

L: The God of salvation, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of truth, offers forgiveness to each of us through the Redeemer sent in human form.

**C: We are grateful that over and over we are given the chance to begin again  
and that nothing we have done can separate us from God's love.**

Hymn

WOV Blue Hymnal #784

"You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"

# Kyrie eleison

*Refrain*  
E G#m7 A B E G#m7 A B

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

E G#m7 A B E G#m7 *Last time*  
A B E

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

A B C#m

1 For peace in the world, for the  
2 That we may live out your im -  
3 For peace in our hearts, for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you

B A E

health of the church, for the u - ni - ty of all;  
passioned re - sponse to the hun - gry and the poor;  
peace in our homes, for friends and fam - i - ly;  
cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and the word;

C#m B

for this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,  
that we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
for life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,  
that you nour-ish our souls . . . with your bo - dy and blood,

A B A B *Refrain*

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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## Prayer of the Day

**C: Loving, living God,  
be among us now.  
Show us Your ways.  
Guide our steps.  
Live in us,  
that we may be people of steadfast hope  
and powerful giving.  
Help us hear Your words,  
challenging us to give You  
all the things that are Yours.  
Help us remember  
that all we are and all we have  
are gifts from You,  
gifts to be shared in service and love.  
Holy One among us,  
help us be a holy people  
who receive Your word with joy  
and live Your message with love. Amen.**

## Readings

Isaiah 52:7

How beautiful on the mountains  
are the feet of those who bring good news,  
who proclaim peace,  
who bring good tidings,  
who proclaim salvation,  
who say to Zion,  
"Your God reigns!"

Jeremiah 3:15

Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart,  
who will lead you with knowledge and understanding.



# "You Are Mine"

A D/A A E/G#

1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,  
 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,  
 3 "I am strength for all the des - pair - ing,  
 (4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I

F#m7 D Esus E

I will lift you from all your fear. In the  
 I am eyes for all who long to see.  
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
 am the peace the world who can - not give.

A D/A C# C#/E# F#m

You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be  
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.  
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand

Bm A/C# D Esus E Esus E

still and know I am here. (To stanza 2)  
 Come and rest in me. (To refrain)  
 all will know my name. (To refrain)  
 up, now walk and live! (To refrain)

Refrain  
 A D/A E/G# F#m7 D

Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by

Esus E A D/A E/G# F#m F#m7/E

name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I

D Esus E A E/A D/A E/A A E/A D/A E/A

To stanzas Last time  
 A A

love you and you are mine."

4 "I

Ecclesiastes 12:9-11

Not only was the Teacher wise, but He also imparted knowledge to the people. He pondered and searched out and set in order many proverbs. The Teacher searched to find just the right words, and what He wrote was upright and true.

The words of the wise are like goads, their collected sayings like firmly embedded nails—given by one Shepherd.

2 Corinthians 9:13-15

The way in which you have proved yourselves by this service will bring honor and praise to God. You believed the message about Christ, and you obeyed it by sharing generously with God's people and with everyone else. Now they are praying for you and want to see you, because God used you to bless them so very much. Thank God for his gift that is too wonderful for words!

"From the Manger to the Cross"

**Refrain:**

From the manger to the cross, from the manger to the cross  
Jesus made a road to save the lost from the manger to the cross.

From a tiny babe in Bethlehem to a cross on Calvary,  
It was the Father's perfect plan, the road to set us free. **Refrain**

"So take this road to find the way," He calls to you and me.  
He's waiting for us at the end with life eternally. **Refrain**

Gospel response

Ancient Words

Words of life, words of hope  
Give us strength, help us cope.  
In this world where e'er we roam,  
Ancient words will guide us home.

Ancient words ever true.  
Changing me and changing you.  
We have come with open hearts.  
O let the ancient words impart.

Acts 1:6-8

Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

John 15:14-16

And you are my friends, if you obey me. Servants don't know what their master is doing, and so I don't speak to you as my servants. I speak to you as my friends, and I have told you everything that my Father has told me.

You did not choose me. I chose you and sent you out to produce fruit, the kind of fruit that will last. Then my Father will give you whatever you ask for in my name.

“Sermon”

Angels Are Making Their Rounds—Joyful Noise Choir  
Mary, Mary—Joyful Noise Choir  
'It's a Surprise'—Dee Wheeler  
Wash Their Feet—Joyful Noise Choir  
The Prayer—Kara Hairell-Speed  
How Great Thou Art—Dana Durham  
Elijah and Joshua—Men of the Choir

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the 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 People

L: Holy and Gracious God, we give You thanks for the gift of life,  
for the gift of Your Son, for the gift of the Holy Spirit.  
**C: Lead us through the trials, the suffering and sorrow,  
the challenges and struggles, the tired times and dark places.**  
L: Be with those who weep, or cannot sleep  
who have no peace, who seek release.  
C: **Lead us; with grace, with love, with peace.**  
L: Fill us;  
C: **with hope, with patience, with stamina.**  
L: Transform us;  
C: **in Your image, in Your Son, in Your Name.**  
L: Transform us;  
C: **to grow, to understand, to see.**  
L: Transform us;  
C: **that we, can be, made whole.**  
L: And in wholeness  
C: **may we be the hands and heart of Christ.**

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Offering

Offering Music: Last Date Leah Matocha, pianist

Offering response “Let Us Go Now to the Banquet” (on screen)

Offering Prayer

**C: Great God of Heaven and Earth,  
you call us to leave behind our preoccupations  
and to follow You into the future.  
Sometimes we find Your call challenging.  
We are comfortable, maybe even complacent, in our present.  
May this act of giving be a gesture of our willingness  
to follow where You lead.  
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

Word's of Institution

Lord's Prayer

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Communion

Communion Music: A Hallelujah Christmas and Easter (on screen)  
Congregation please join the choir in singing

Post Communion Canticle "Bring Forth the Kingdom" (on screen)

Post Communion Prayer LBW Green Hymnal p.94

**LITURGY OF THANKSGIVING AND FAREWELL**

L: For thirty nine years, Pastor Barney Matocha has served as our pastor. He has offered his gifts and has worked diligently for the building up of the church in this place.  
By the grace of God, he has served us well.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

L: In the book of Ecclesiastes, the Preacher writes the following verses...

L: Blessed be God.

**C. And blessed be His Holy Name.**

L: The Lord makes everything beautiful in its time.

**C. Whatever God does endures forever.**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**C. And forget not all His benefits.**

L: In this pulpit ... to live out the Gospel mission in our daily lives.

**C. We thank you for your preaching ministry.**

L: At this font ... is administered by faithful pastors.

**C. We thank you for presiding at the sacrament of Holy Baptism.**

L: At this table ... could be served in an orderly fashion.

**C: We thank you for presiding at the sacrament of Holy Communion.**

L: Standing in front ... led us in prayers for comfort and strength.

**C: We thank you for being with us in the time of loss.**

L: You have also presided ... asking God's presence in marriage.

**C: We thank you for sharing those and other times of great joy.**

L: Not only did you baptize ...and shared in our youth activities.

**C: Thank you for being a significant part of the lives of Trinity's youth.**

L: In 1980, you received the keys to this building ... We thank you for your prayers, your diligent preparation, your careful listening, and your assistance with maintaining our premises.

**C: We thank you for all you have done in this building and for this building.**

L: Leah ... to our ears.

**C: We give thanks to God for your active participation in the life and ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church and the Southwestern Texas Synod**

L: Scott, Matthew, Amanda ... even when you wanted him to be with you.

**C: We give thanks to God for your participation, your support of Pastor Barney and Leah, and your willingness to share them with us in our ministry.**

L: Let us pray:

**C: Gracious God You have called us in our baptism to be Your servants.**

**You have enabled us to respond to Your call as a community of believers.**

**Thank You for the partnership in the gospel we have enjoyed with Pastor Barney and Leah. Now we send them forth to enjoy retirement and continue their ministries in new and different ways. May they go from here knowing our love and appreciation.**

**We pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.**



PB: Scripture tells us that endings are only new beginnings. Therefore, let us go forth, doing God's will in our respective places, for the sake of the Gospel of Christ.

**C: Go now, and do God's will.  
As you have been a blessing to us,  
go to be a blessing to others.**

PB & L: As you have been a blessing to us, so also may you be a blessing to others.

**C: Witness faithfully in word and deed  
to the love and salvation that is known to us in Christ.**

PB & L: Strive for righteousness, godliness, faithfulness, love, endurance, and gentleness among yourselves.

**C: Give and receive comfort as you serve in other ways within the Church.**

PB & L: Give and receive comfort as you serve within the world.

**C. May God, the Father, bless you in your ministry in retirement.**

PB & L: May God, the Father, bless you in your ministry in this place.

**C: May God, the Son, be ever with you and guide you.**

PB & L: May God, the Son, be ever with you and guide you.

**C: May God, the Holy Spirit, equip you with everything good to do God's will.**

PB & L: May God, the Holy Spirit, equip you with everything good to do God's will.

**ALL: May the cross of Christ be always on our hearts and guiding our lives.**

*(All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism.)*

**C: May you and Leah always know God's peace.**

PB & L: Amen! Amen! Thanks be to God!

Benediction

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

(Arlen Buchhorn, Steve Zimmerman,  
Dee Wheeler, Kara Hairell Speed)

Hymn

"The Butterfly Song"

If I were a Butterfly I'd thank the Lord for givin' me wings  
And if I were a Robin in the trees I'd thank You Lord that I could sing  
And if I were a Fish in the sea I'd wiggle my tail and giggle with glee  
But I just thank You Father for makin' me me.

**Refrain:**

**For You gave me a heart and you gave me a smile.  
Gave me Jesus and You make me Your child.  
And I just thank You Father for makin' me me.**

If I were an Elephant I'd thank You Lord by raising my trunk  
And if I were a Kangaroo You know I'd hop right up to You  
And if I were an Octopus I'd thank You Lord for my fine looks  
But I just thank You Father for makin' me me. **Refrain:**

If I were a wiggle Worm I'd thank you Lord that I could squirm  
And if I were a fuzzy wuzzy Bear I'd thank You Lord for my fuzzy, wuzzy hair.  
And if I were a Crocodile I'd thank You Lord for my great smile.  
But I just thank You Father for makin' me me. **Refrain:**



**October 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**POT LUCK**  
 After 10:30 Service

**MEET and GREET PASTOR PETE  
 & ROBIN SANDAGER**

**CONGREGATION  
 CLEAN THE KITCHEN DAY  
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26  
 9:00 A.M.**  
**ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME.**  
**(STRONG AND ABLED BODIED MEN AND WOMEN)**  
**LUNCH PROVIDED BY WELCA  
 (PIZZA AND SALAD)**



**FOOD FOR  
 THE POOR**

**OCTOBER 20**

Pastor John F. Roth was ordained in 1958 for the Florida-Bahamas Synod.. He is a fifth generation pastor who has served several congregations. Pr. Roth served in various leadership roles in the Lutheran Church, including being President of the Beaches Ministerial Association and a board member of the Christian Service Corporation. He has served as a speaker for Food For The Poor for over 13 years, travelling on mission trips to Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Nicaragua, Honduras, and Guatemala.

**Last Week's Metrics**

Attendance: 9-29                      8am: 53    10:30am: 64

Offerings:	General Fund	Benevolence	Trinity Growth
Envelopes:	\$ 2033	\$ 93	\$ 353
Online Giving:	\$ 754	\$ 25	\$ 375

**Our Average Expenses in 2018** were \$6600/week, every week. This includes: \$4566/week for Salaries and Benefits, \$ 700/week for Utilities, \$ 502/week for Insurance, and \$ 832/week for Supplies, Ministries, Routine Maintenance and all other items

**The Trinity Growth Program** is used to pay our mortgage, which is about \$1220/week.

**Benevolence Offerings** are sent each month to our Southwestern Texas Synod, where it is used for many church-wide ministries and to support the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

These averages are intended to give you an idea of what it takes to maintain our facilities and minister to the congregation and the community around us. Of course, there is much more detail, if you are interested. Our books are always open to any member of the congregation, and I would be very excited to sit down with you and answer any questions you might have.

Thank you for all you do and your generous support.

Bruce Kaiser, Treasurer

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES:**

Neal Nobles and family on the death of his son Collin



**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Rob

Charles Aguillion

Tara Belcik

Zachary Bell

Wanda Booth & family

Charlie Bordisso

Jesse Bordisso

Shannon Borowicz

Tracy Braley

Jan Burnett

Sandy Chester

Joe Coffey

Marilyn Curtis

Michael Dentler

Maria Dew

Mendy Dierlam

Dawn Foerester

Ellen Gallenstein

Darlene Goehring

Markus Harper

Tammi Hartman

Glen Hindley

Joe Irwin

Mildred Johnston

Nancy & George Migl

Pat Miller

Minnie & Robert Ochoa

Cole Ohrt

Jane Phillips

Lael Cordes Pitts

Monica Powitzky & Family

Bryan Redding

Phil & Raquel Rios

Deborah Rowland

Delores Steen

Carol Thacker

Ann Thomas

***Bunco***

Monday, October 28th

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

400 N. Esplanade; Cuero

6:00 Registration and Refreshments

7:00 Games Begin

Please RSVP by October 24th

Marlene Fromme 361-275-3754 or 361-275-4214

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Church Office 361-275-2845



**TODAY: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

10:00 Worship, Holy Communion, Sanctuary

**RECEPTION AND LUNCH HONORING PASTOR BARNEY  
AND LEAH MATOCHA ON THEIR RETIREMENT**

**MONDAY: OCTOBER 7**

5:30 Music and Worship Team

6:00 Boy Scout Troop 113

**TUESDAY: OCTOBER 8**

8:00 Walkers, LH

9:00 Sewing Day

**WEDNESDAY: OCTOBER 9**

6:00-7:30 7th and 8th grade Confirmation to Food Bank

**THURSDAY: OCTOBER 10**

8:00 Walkers, LH

**FRIDAY: OCTOBER 11**

**SATURDAY: OCTOBER 12**

Luther Hall Reserved, Donna Appelt  
Harlan Schroeter's 95th Birthday

**SUNDAY: EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

8:00 Worship, Holy Communion, Sanctuary

9:15 Sunday School

10:30 Worship, Sanctuary

**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL DUTIES:**

Arlen Buchhorn, Tawnia Groll

**GREETERS—USHERS**

10:00 Stanley and Mendy Dierlam

Cathy Dierlam

**ACOLYTES:**

10:00 Kaylen Smith

Seth Schulz

**ALTAR GUILD:**

10:00 Debra Beck

Janett Scherer

**BULLETINS ARE IN HONOR OF CHRIS**

**RIPPAMONTI ON HER 95TH BIRTHDAY  
ON OCTOBER 7TH..**

**ALTAR FLOWERS ARE IN HONOR OF**

**PASTOR BARNEY AND LEAH BY  
STANLEY AND MENDY DIERLAM,  
BRENT AND BRITTANIE DIERLAM AND  
FAMILY.**

**WISHING YOU A HAPPY RETIREMENT—  
39 YEARS OF MINISTRY.**



# Trinity Welcomes

## **Louis Mendoza - Custodian "Minister of Tidiness"**

Louis Mendoza comes to us with many years of experience from Victoria ISD and the County of Victoria in their maintenance departments. Some of you may already recognize Louis for he has taken pride in polishing Trinity's floors for a number of years. You will recognize him by his Superman Truck. He is excited to be at Trinity and we are thankful for Louis' eagerness, energy and pride in his work. We welcome Louis into our Trinity Family. If you see him, please welcome him.