

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church

October 8, 2023

9:30am

Theme: A Closer Look

If you have a prayer request today, please fill out the card in your pew rack and hand it to an usher prior to the Prayers of the People.

Prelude

Welcome

*Songs of Praise	“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”	W&S 3001
	“Open the Eyes of My Heart”	W&S 3008

*Greeting

Leader: Shepherd us, O God.

People: Open our ears to hear your calling.

Leader: Shepherd us, O God.

People: Open our eyes to see your care.

Leader: Shepherd us, O God.

People: Shear our fascination with the ways of the world.

Leader: Shepherd us, O God.

ALL: PREPARE US TO FOLLOW YOU.

Opening Prayer (unison)

God, as we experience a story of Jesus performing a sign, may we remain open to where it is pointing. As we explore this wonder, may it open us up, moving us beyond our assumptions and forward on the path of transformation. AMEN.

Prayer Song	“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”	Hymnal 349
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Prayers of the People/Our Lord’s Prayer

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Scripture Reading	Mark 8:22-26
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Children’s Message

*Hymn	“Be Thou My Vision”	Hymnal 451
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Sermon	“Updating Our Lenses”	Pastor Chad Gilbertson
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*Hymn	“Open My Eyes, That I May See”	Hymnal 454
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Offering/Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Light of the World, our cup overflows with gratitude for all that you have given us. Accept these tokens we offer you today and use them to help further open our eyes and the eyes of others. AMEN.

Announcements

*Benediction

Leader: Open your eyes and your heart to the light of God, even in the presence of your enemies.

People: The vision of God’s light is found in what is good and right and true.

Leader: Go forth as children of the light, in the name of the One who is Maker of Visions, Spirit of Truth, Light of the World.

ALL: WE GO! AMEN.

*Hymn	“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” (verse 1)	Hymnal 206
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Postlude

Worship Leaders

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This Week:

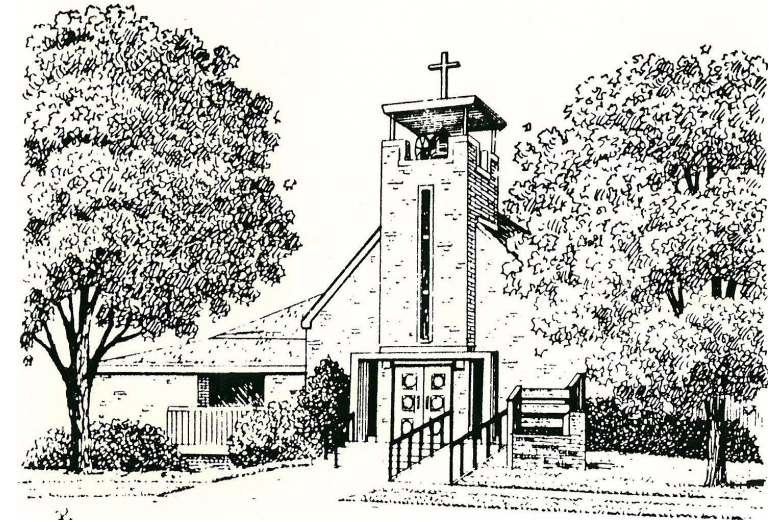
Monday, Oct. 9	9:30am 7:00pm	AA (Parsonage) Al-Anon (Parsonage)
Tuesday, Oct. 10	2:00pm 7:00pm	United Women in Faith (Fellowship Hall) Co-Dependents Anonymous (Parsonage)
Wednesday, Oct. 11	8:30am 6:15pm 7:00pm	Moment of Prayer for Holy Trinity 7th/8th Confirmation Class (Parsonage) Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, Oct. 12	6:00pm	Veterans AA (Parsonage)
Saturday, Oct. 14	9:00am 11:00am	Fall Clean Up at the Church UWF Fall Gathering (Lydia Zion UMC)
Sunday, Oct. 15	9:30am	Worship/Live-Stream

Prayer Requests:

Don Oram—prayers for he and Brenda as they begin their journey back home.
Prayers and thanksgiving for Don's continued healing and recovery following his heart attack.

Zach Zehnder celebrated his 16th birthday!

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