

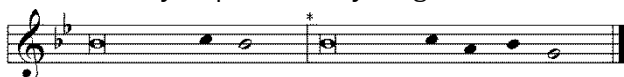
Service Insert

for Trinity 15
September 13, 2026

THE INTROIT *(after the Absolution)*

Ps. 86:1a,2b,3; Psalm 86:4

- P** *(Antiphon)* Bow down Your ear, O LORD, | hear me; *
You are my God; Save Your servant | who trusts in You!
Be merciful to me, | O Lord, *
For I cry to | You all day long.



- C** Rejoice the soul of Your | servant, *
For to You, O Lord, I | lift up my soul.



- P** *(Antiphon)*

THE GRADUAL & VERSE *(after the Epistle)*

Ps. 118:8-9; Ps. 108:1

- P** It is better to trust in | the LORD *
Than to put con- | fidence in man.
- C** It is better to trust in | the LORD *
Than to put confi- | dence in princes.
- P** Alle- | lu-ia. *
Al- | — le-lu-ia.
- C** O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and | give praise, *
even with my glory. | Al-le-lu-ia.



HYMNS

OPENING HYMN	<i>TLH #430 - What Is the World to Me (st. 1-3)</i>
HYMN (after the Creed)	<i>TLH #430 - What Is the World to Me (st. 4-8)</i>
HYMN (after General Prayer)	<i>TLH #425 - All Depends on Our Possessing</i>
DISTRIBUTION HYMN	<i>TLH #306 - Lord Jesus Christ Thou Hast Prepared</i>

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Epistle: *Galatians 5:25 - 6:10* **Gospel:** *Matthew 6:24-34*

from the Large Catechism: First Commandment

The purpose of this commandment is to require true faith and trust of the heart, which settles upon the only true God and clings to Him alone. It is like saying, "See to it that you let Me alone be your God, and never seek another." In other words, "Whatever you lack of good things, expect it from Me. Look to Me for it. And whenever you suffer misfortune and distress, crawl and cling to Me. I, yes, I, will give you enough and help you out of every need. Only do not let your heart cleave to or rest on any other."

⁵ This point I must unfold more clearly. It may be understood and seen through ordinary, counterexamples. Many a person thinks that he has God and everything in abundance when he has money and possessions. He trusts in them and boasts about them with such firmness and assurance as to care for no one. ⁶ Such a person has a god by the name of "Mammon" (i.e., money and possessions), on which he sets all his heart. ⁷ This is the most common idol on earth. He who has money and possessions feels secure and is joyful and undismayed as though he were sitting in the midst of Paradise. ⁸ On the other hand, he who has no money doubts and is despondent, as though he knew of no God. ⁹ For very few people can be found who are of good cheer and who neither mourn nor complain if they lack Mammon. This care and desire for money sticks and clings to our nature, right up to the grave.

So you can easily understand what and how much this commandment requires. A person's entire heart and all his confidence must be placed in God alone and in no one else.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

Wed., Sept. 16 - Vespers, 6:30 PM

Sun., Sept. 20 - Bible Class, 9AM; Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Trinity 16)