



THE TRUMPETER

Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS

November

Sunday Schedule

8:30 am Worship Service
with
Holy Communion

9:45 am Sunday School
and Adult Bible Study

On KLMJ, 104.9...

7:30 am The Lutheran
Hour

10:15 am Radio Broadcast



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As the harvest continues, it is good to reflect on the harvest provisions that God has given in our lives. The Harvest Festival is more than just a reflection of the fruits of the earth, it is a time to reflect on all the many ways God has blessed us.

The Bible is full of explanations that all we have is from God. Psalm 24:1 says, "the Earth is the Lord's, and all the fullness, therein". In Deuteronomy, God tells His people that He is the One who gives the people the ability to be productive. The crops and the other ways we are productive is a result of His care.

Because of this, giving is not something we do simply out of obligation, but also out of gratitude. Just as the Israelites brought first fruits, their offerings to God (Deuteronomy 26:1-10), we are called to give the best back to God in joyful response of His goodness to us.

This is especially true when we consider not just the temporary fruits of the earth, but the eternal gifts from our Lord Jesus who is the first fruit of the resurrection. He was the first fruit offering for our sins, and we are a part of God's eternal harvest.

Our first fruit gifts are used to support the work of God's first fruit gifts. Our temporary gifts can support the work of the eternal blessing of this congregation and the church of God all over the world. God bless you as we rejoice in all the ways God has blessed us.

In the Name of Jesus,
Pastor

