

TrinityLutheranChurch
309 Taylor Ave.
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Those Serving our Congregation in October, 2021

Altar Guild

Donna Mullins
Jan Schmidt

Ushers

Duane Giesselmann
Dan Deer
Perri Mannisi
Charles Chambliss

Elder on Duty

Gary Oliver

Trustee on Duty

Norman Freeman

Communion Assistants

John Kramer

Sunday

10-3-2021

Counting Team

Terri Schmitt
Charlotte Dole & Jan Faskell

Liturgical Color

Green

Acolytes

Ethan Ship
T.J. Jerrell
Cheyenne Primo
Victoria Shipp

10-10-2021

Kathy Huchison
Donna Mullins
Del Weinhold
Donita Tressner & Jan Schmidt

Green

Emalee Best
Jesse Best

10-24-2021

Stan & Sue Cook
Kathy Wahlstrom

Green

Tayler Jones
Serenity Miller

10-31-2021

Charlotte Dole
Louis Poth

Red

Katarina Oliver
Mackinzie Moore

Monthly Offering Report

Totals offerings as of August, 2021.

Please direct any questions you may have to Terri Schmitt.

Trinity Lutheran Church Park Hills MO
Offering Report: January 1, 2021 – August 1-31, 2021

Church Giving	2021 totals	August 1-31
Member Offerings – Envelope & E-Giving	\$ 81,807.39	\$ 8,907.31
Loose Plate Offerings	\$ 2,799.95	\$ 88.75
Special Offering - Helping Hands	\$ 986.00	\$ 42.00
Special Offering – Radio Ministry	\$ 500.00	\$ 00.00
Special Offering – Stephen Ministry	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Special Offering - Food Pantry	\$ 20.00	\$ 00.00
Special Offering - Sunday School & Bible Study	\$ 1,516.90	\$ 159.00
Special Offering – St. Paul Lutheran High School	\$ 590.00	\$ 60.00
Special Offering – Portals of Prayer	\$ 20.00	\$ 00.00
Special Offering – Altar Guild	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Special Offering – Memorial not designated	\$ 105.00	\$ 00.00
Anonymous Groups Envelope Offerings	\$ 306.00	\$ 34.00

Totals	\$ 88,651.24	\$ 9,291.06
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Monthly Budget Needs		\$ 11,162.00
<i>Budget Needs Met?</i>		\$ -1,870.94
		Jan 1 – Aug 31 '21
Cumulative Offering totals for "Budget Needs Met?"		\$ -644.76

Total Offering Income Needed for 2021 Budget	\$ 133,944.00
Offering Income YTD: Jan. 1-July 31, 2021	\$ 88,651.24
Total 2021 Offering needs minus offering income YTD	\$ (-45,292.76)



Trinity Times

October, 2021

Mission Statement

To grow in faith in the Triune God, we teach and study God's Word, receive the Sacraments and serve as a joyful witness to believers and unbelievers



Galatians 5:23-25

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.”

A close friend was telling me about a time his son was playing on his first soccer team. He was old enough to play, but young enough that they were just starting to get a feel for “positions,” but it still could degenerate into a cloud of kids following a ball around a field.

There was a little girl on his team. She was a *talker*. Whenever she was near where my friend and the rest of the parents were sitting, she would chat with any adult who happened to be there. She’d talk about how much she *loved* soccer, with the running and the chasing and the ball and the nets. She talked about her family, what her parents do for a living. She’d talk about her friends, her school, her stuffed animals, and when the ball would come close, she’d try to kick it, sometimes without stopping what she was talking about.

She’d compliment the adults on the jackets they were wearing. And at one point, while the ball was on the other side of the field, she stopped looked around at the people, and the field, and sky, then looked down at the grass between her feet, and said, in a voice full of wonder, “Oh my! What pretty little blue flowers!”

And my friend started thinking about his son, and about this little girl. And he thought, “He’s a great kid. But he kinda stomps and tromps through life. If I were to ask him about this girl *today*, he might not be all that happy she’s on his team right now. But in about ten years... He’s going to

need somebody who can make him slow down, and can point out the flowers... or he will *never* see them.

And that's how it is, we can get caught in our own little worlds, our own way of seeing things, and we need some perspective. Especially when it comes to God... and the things of God.

We might generally think of ourselves as awesome. Amazing. Wonderful. God's Word gives us perspective. We actually have in our reading for today, a great list of things that awesome, amazing, wonderful people do. And the whole Bible is filled with definitions of what this list means.

And if we're honest, we show up with selfishness instead of love, bitter pursuit of our own happiness instead of joy, strife and discontent instead of peace, impatient crankiness instead of patience, cruelty to those who've wronged us instead of kindness, evil rather than goodness, flightiness instead of faithfulness, iron-fistedness instead of gentleness, and self-indulgence rather than self-control. The perspective God gives us takes any ideas of our own amazement right off the table.

But once we're made to slow down, to lift our eyes to details beyond our reckless pursuit of ourselves... once we can see something that's not *us*... God shows us someone else. We see *Him*. We see someone Whose self-control meant a perfectly sinless life, Whose gentleness invites us to lay our burdens down at the foot of a cross, Whose faithfulness carried Him *to* a cross and so now we can trust His *every* promise. He's a man whose goodness overcomes every evil, Who showed kindness to us even as we betrayed Him. He patiently bore our humanity and

patiently leads us to repentance. He brings the ultimate peace, the joy of salvation, and his self-sacrificing love earned forgiveness for us all.

All of this brings us back to you... and the idea of amazing. What is amazing about you is that that you are *loved with an amazing love*. What's awesome about you is that you are the precious jewel... of the One Who owns the entire universe! What's wonderful about you is that you have been wonderfully washed clean by the One Whose blood can wash away every stain. What's astounding about you is that you are the heir, the genuine inheritor of life in the greatest kingdom you'll ever see.

And see it, you *will!* But until the day comes when you *do* see it, His Spirit actively lives within you even now, producing in you the kind of fruit that only He can make... until it overflows in your life, and out of your life, into those around you... so that they might lift their eyes from themselves and be given the same perspective... the same *eternal* one. Amen.

Pastor Jeremy May



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Our Mighty Mites

**September \$79.00 – Missouri District
October – Missouri District in support of
LWML Sunday**

October 10th is LWML Sunday. We would like to **thank you**, Trinity Friends, for your continued mite support! Every mite collected is donated to either mission projects or local food banks. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, October 14th at 10:30 am. We will be collecting dues of \$7.00 at this meeting.

God's blessings!

**“Serve the Lord with Gladness”
Ps. 100:2**



We now have an onsite mail/drop box so we will no longer be using the Post Office Box. Starting this month if you wish to send something to the church please use our physical address...

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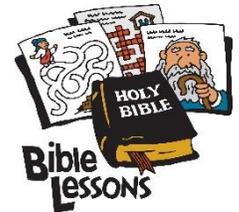


Trinity Sunday School News

The Elementary/Intermediate Sunday School class studied 151 years of Old

Testament history in September, from 874 BC to 723 BC, touching on stories of several prophets, kings, key people and events of that period: Elijah, Elisha, King Ahab, Naaman, Jonah, Isaiah, and King Hezekiah. We invite you to visit our classroom to see the timeline running around the top of the walls, highlighting their lessons! The timeline will continue in October as we look at another 150 years of Old Testament history from 623 BC to 473 BC.

Further lessons in Unit 6 will include: “The Restoring King.” King Josiah of Judah begins restoration of the temple when Hilkiah, high priest, discovers the Book of the Law. Josiah repents, to which the Lord responds, telling Josiah that because of his penitent heart He will hold back the disaster from Josiah’s kingdom. In the lesson “A Fiery



Marvel”...you guessed it...we will read of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace, causing King “Nebby” to realize the power of God. “Abomination Nation” tells of how God reveals the future of Israel to the prophet Ezekiel by departing the temple with cherubim and spinning wheels...”waaaay up in the middle of the air.” God promises to cleanse and restore His people. Lesson 12, “The Rescuing Queen” is, of course, the story of Esther, Queen Vashti, King Ahasuerus, and Mordecai...who as you know...uncovers a plot against the Jews spearheaded by Haman. Esther reveals the plot to the king, which results in saving the Jewish people and bringing Haman to justice. October will end with a lesson on the Reformation on October 31.



Pre-K Sunday School has gotten off to a great start! Josh and Ava have been introduced to God's Creation with the Bible story, crafts, coloring pages, and activities to help their

understanding of a concept that will take time and repetition as they grow and mature. Good job, Katie Hillis, Krissy Hillis, Aubrie Smith, and Sofia Rattini!



Our children and youth will begin Christmas program practice on October 3, 9:45-10:00 am in the sanctuary. We would love to have all Trinity children and young people participate! The Christmas musical, "Sing a Song of Christmas," will be presented in the Divine Service on December 12. Come join us!

Sue Cook
Sunday School Director



Brandon Shauptert	10-2
Stan Cook	10-3
Wayne Neeley	10-3
Thomas Rudasill	10-4
Candy Mannisi	10-6
JoAnn Keller	10-6
Allyson Nelson	10-6
Fred Schwab	10-8
Eric van De Mark	10-8
Donnie Sikes	10-10
Susan Hedgcorth	10-11
Ron Ely	10-11
Susan Martin	10-12
Lois Poth	10-13
Aubrianna Kirkbride (Neeley)	10-13
Carol Froidl	10-14
Jadon Wadlow	10-15
Donita Tressner	10-15
Kim Rudasill	10-15
Stacy Calalloway	10-15
Katarina Oliver	10-21
Corey Jones	10-23
Steve Francis	10-26
Gladys Naeger	10-26
Canaan Huff	10-28
Mark Yates	10-29
Christine Hays	10-29
Rheanna Snead	10-29
Marianna Politte	10-29
Michael Miller	10-31
Kathy Wahlstrom	10-31
Jaiden Ellis	10-31
Lorelei Jones	10-31

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Michael & Cassey Miller
10-10

Scott & Susan Hedgorth
10-12

Charles & Carol Chambliss
10-24

Del & Barb Weinhold
10-27

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STEWARDSHIP



Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Why do we give? Is it simply because God commands us to? Or is there more to it? To be sure, the Word and instruction of God in the Bible says we should give, and this is sufficient to encourage us to give (Luke 6:38; Acts 20:35; 1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 8:7; Gal. 6:6).

But there's more to it than just obligation. We're not just trying to fulfill a work of the law. We are bearing fruits of the Spirit given to us by our Father in heaven through His Son our Lord Jesus Christ. In other words, we're

not just doing what our Father said, we're also doing what He did.

Children emulate their parents. When they grow up, they often carry many of the same mannerisms and characteristics as their parents. But there is more to it than that. Children copy their parents even on a more mundane level. They watch how their parents cross their legs, how they fold their hands, how they stand and sit and walk, and how they do and say most everything. Then children try to copy it.

This can be quite humorous when caught in the act. They do this even when parents don't want them to. Everyone has been in the uncomfortable – and embarrassing situation – where a child does or says something one of their parents have done or said that is less than polite. Sitcoms thrive on these. It only works because of the truth that children emulate their parents, and they do it because they want to be like them.

We are the children of God – by grace through faith. In Holy Baptism, God the Father declares of us what He declared of Jesus at His Baptism in the Jordan, "You are my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." God the Father claims us as His own. He takes away all our sins. In exchange, He gives us His righteousness, His purity, His holiness, and His Spirit – by which we cry out, "Abba, Father."

We are born again – born from above, born of water and the Spirit – to a new life in Christ as His children. We are sons of God in Christ through Baptism. Since we are sons, we are heirs who share in the glory of the Son of God. The inheritance is ours because of the Father's grace, mercy, and generosity in sending His Son in time to save us for all eternity.

This is why we give generously of our income to the work of the church. We want to be like our heavenly Father. We want to emulate His generosity by being generous ourselves. We give to the work of the church because we have witnessed the generous giving of our Father in heaven.

More than that, we are recipients of it. It is because we have received our Father's gifts that we desire to give ourselves. His gifts are not just spiritual. They are temporal and earthly as well. As *Luther's Small Catechism* teaches in the Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer:

Give us this day our daily bread.

What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

In other words, He gives us everything that we need for the care of both body and soul. His generosity knows no bounds.

Therefore, we sit down at the beginning of the year, the beginning of the month, or the beginning of the week and set aside a

generous portion of God's daily bread for His work in the church. This is not done because He has commanded us so to do but rather because we, as His children by grace, want to emulate His generosity in our own lives. He is our Father; we are His children. And children want to be like their parents.



September Church Statistics

Date	Worship	Bible Study
9-5-2021	54	20
9-7-2021	7	--
9-12-2021	63	20
9-19-2021	56	16



9-26-2021	54	20
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Financial Report

See the Financial Report page.





It's Pastor Appreciation Month, take a moment to show Pastor May how much we appreciate all he does for our church family.



Do you know the answer?



Bible Quiz

Hebrews 11 is called the Hall of Faith because it's a partial list of ancestors who lived out their belief in God. Who is named in this chapter?

- A. Adam, Eve and Seth
- B. Abel, Enoch, Noah and Sarah
- C. Moses' parents, Moses and Rahab
- D. Deborah, Bathsheba and Huldah
- E. A and B
- F. B and C
- G. C and D



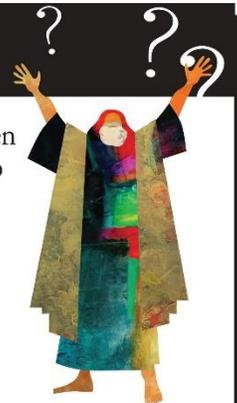
Answer: F



Bible Quiz

During the dramatic experience when God called Isaiah to be a prophet, who or what filled the temple?

- A. 144,000 worshipers
- B. The bottom of God's robe
- C. Smoke
- D. Priests offering sacrifices



Answer: B and C (See Isaiah 6:1-8.)

