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*Those Serving our Congregation in June, 2022*

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**Altar Guild**

Joan Oliver  
Teresa Rudasill

**Ushers**

Dan Deer  
Chris Nelson  
Chase Nelson  
Steve Francis

**Elder on Duty**

Dan Deer

**Trustee on Duty**

Blake Oliver

**Communion Assistants**

Gary Oliver

**Sunday**

6-5-2022

**Counting Team**

Terri Schmitt  
Charlotte Dole & Jan Faskell

6-12-2022

Kathy Huchison  
Donna Mullins

6-19-2022

Del Weinhold  
Donita Tressner & Jan Schmidt

6-26-2022

Stan & Sue Cook  
Kathy Wahlstrom

**Liturgical Color**

Red

White

Green

Green

**Acolytes**

T.J. Jerrell  
Katarina Oliver

Mackinzie Moore  
T.J. Jerrell

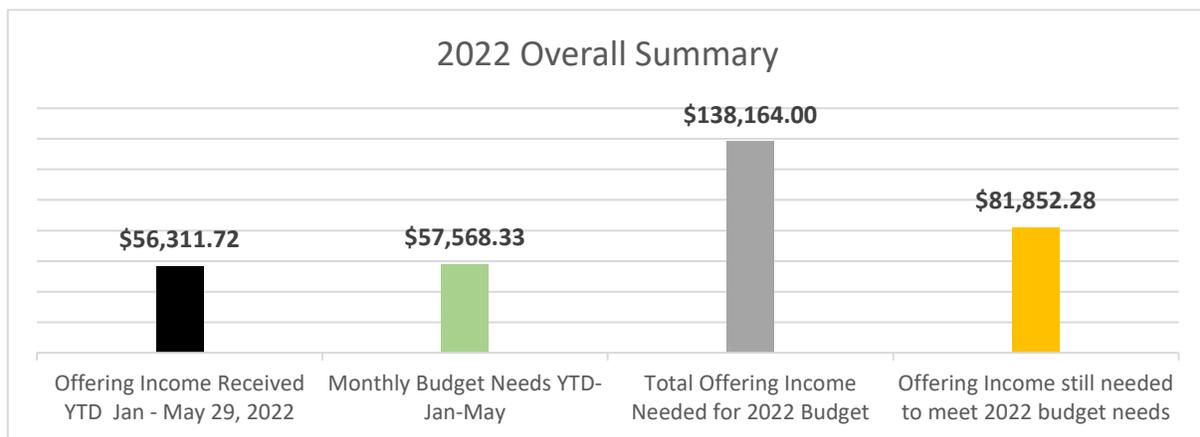
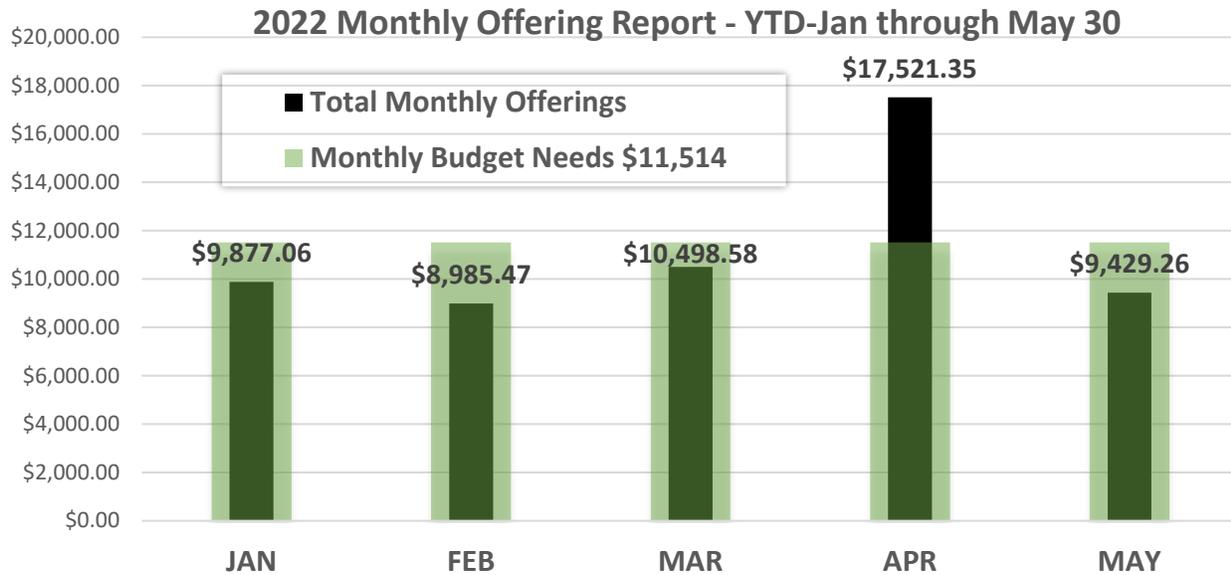
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OUR CHURCH'S  

**FINANCIAL**  
**Summary**



Trinity Lutheran Church Giving	2022 totals
Loose Plate Offerings	\$2,068.31
Member Offerings-Envelope & E-giving	\$52,213.01
Special Offering for Helping Hands	\$550.00
Special Offering for Food Pantry	\$0.00
Special Offerings for Radio Ministry	\$590.00
Special Offering for Sunday School & Bible Study	\$779.40
Special Offering- St. Paul Lutheran High School	\$0.00
Anonymous Groups Envelope Offerings	\$111.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$56,311.72</b>

Please direct any questions you may have to Terri Schmitt, Financial Chairperson

# Trinity Times

## June, 2022

### **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**

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Psalm 48:1-3, 8

“Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, <sup>2</sup> beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King. Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress. <sup>8</sup> As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God, which God will establish forever.”

My wife and I occasionally will take a short trip to Branson. On one such trip, one of the things she wanted to do was walk a trail that we had discovered the last time we were in town. It's a trail between two

mountain tops. The trail and the mountains are all mentioned in a book that is a favorite of hers, called Shepherd of the Hills. It takes place in the area of what is now the Branson area. So we walked a path, up to the peak, or the “bald,” as they're called in the Ozark Mountains. In the book there is a path described as, “the trail that's nobody-knows-how old.” And we were there! At the top of Dewey Bald, someone had built a lookout tower. A tower... on *top* of one of the Ozarks... to see three hundred and sixty degrees of Ozark Mountain country.

We got there, and there was the lookout. It was forty feet tall... forty feet above the mountain top. It looked like the framework was made of those silver fenceposts you see on a chain link fence, only forty feet up! And the boards were two-by-fours that didn't meet... by a couple of inches in some places. And they looked more than a little worn. A sign out front said, “Climb at your own risk.” We climbed. Some of those boards even rocked a little in their place. We counted fifty-five steps, with 4 variously-sized landings before getting to the top one. Looking through the



space between each wobbly board, all the way down, we got a little queasy.

Don't get me wrong, the view was incredible. But after a *very* short time, we took our pictures, snapped a nervous selfie by the all-too-bendy railing, and said, "Let's get down from here!" We didn't feel too steady up there, and we breathed an audible sigh of relief when our feet hit Terra Firma again.

It's good to have a solid place to stand. Something you can rely on. Because there's a lot that we can't. God *saw* that. He *really* saw it. He saw the mistakes human beings have been making ever since the first ones ever disobeyed God's command. The first ones! Talk about a shaky foundation! He saw the result it would lead to for them... and for everyone who came after them. He saw the cracks of rebellion leading to the biggest fall of all time... right down to each one of us.

He sees each gap of selfishness, each crack of impurity, each missing beam where our focus is on *us*. He hears each thoughtless word, that causes such pain to someone else... each time we ourselves refuse to let it *go* once we've *been* hurt. And he knows the cascades we find ourselves in, as our whole structure comes crumbling down around us. He sees how one mistake here leads us right to the next, until that whole *room* of our life is just *waiting* to tumble down. All of which leads to a full-blown *cave-in* of sin, strewing rubble across our lives, and the lives of

those around us... all over everything we touch.

And that's just *us*. To say nothing of when other people building *their* lives *around* us actually follow our horrible blueprints into disaster.

He saw it all. He made a plan to repair it. The most amazing thing of all is what that plan entailed: His own *Son* was sent to His people. Not just sent to *help*... to shore up the walls and foundation and roof... to instruct teach and guide... though he *did* that. His message was that God's love was so great that He would *die* for you.

But then he *lived* that message. He *was* the repair. He took the brokenness all the way to a cross. Not simply shoring up an ancient building, but tearing to the *ground*. Dragging it into the ground Himself, just to build the greatest palace ever imagined with more than enough room for all of us. Our God is a roof so strong we can weather any storm... walls so sturdy that nothing could harm us again... with a foundation so solid that it could never crumble, never even be *shaken*.

Because in His dying on the cross, *death* itself is now destroyed. And in His rising to life again He *won* life for all. And in His coming to us still, He sustains us until everything is ready... and we're all put back together... forever. Amen.

Pastor Jeremy May





**It's not too late to join us for VBS!  
Come be an Explorer with us for...**

**Our Mighty Mites**

**May – \$79.00 Missouri District  
June– Elvins Food Bank**

"SHINE FOR PRO-LIFE" was tremendously successful on Sunday, May 15, with 40 people in attendance! A huge THANK YOU to Trinity members and guests who contributed a variety of baby items, as well as cash gifts totaling \$175.00. A Thrivent grant was used to supplement the purchases. Becky Laubinger, Executive Director of Parkland PRC, was most impressed with our activity and thanked everyone for their support and generosity. "Bingo for Babies" was played by all and everyone had a GREAT TIME!

The LWML Missouri District Convention will be held at the Sheraton, West Port, June 3-5, 2022.

Charlotte Dole

**"Serve the Lord with Gladness"  
Ps. 100:2**



**Discovery on Adventure  
Island!**

**June 20 – 24**

**8:30 – Noon**

**Pre – K (potty trained) through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Bring a friend!**

**Questions? Call or text  
Sue Cook 573-315-0052**

**(Arrive by 8:15 to register.)**



Thank you for all your thoughts, prayers, and support over the last few weeks during Jim's illness. They were greatly appreciated.

~Sue Martin





Matthew Tressner	6-4
Tim Schauptert	6-5
Bailey England	6-5
Corey Naeger	6-5
Lisa Welch	6-5
Lisa Wadlow	6-7
Sarah Politte	6-8
Shawn Lee	6-9
Todd Whitehead	6-11
Ethan Shauptert	6-12
Brianna Jones	6-12
David Miller	6-13
Hannah Politte	6-14
Paul Hedgcorth	6-16
Wayne Miller	6-16
Allyson Welch	6-24
Charles Politte	6-24
Mary Jane Pruitt	6-25
Cheyenne Primo	6-27
Nancy Sullivan	6-29

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*Don and Deborah Haefner*  
6-1

*Pastor David and Terri Schmitt*  
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*Wayne and Marilyn Miller*  
6-8

*Alan and Dawn Primo*  
6-15

*Dennis and Dawn Spell*  
6-23

*Daniel and Leslie Eaton*  
6-26

*Darvin and Angela Aurich*  
6-29

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## STEWARDSHIP



Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

### **The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod**

#### **What Do You Have That You Have Not Received?**

Some of the disciples of John the Baptist were questioning him about the baptism and preaching of Jesus. John the Baptist replies to their questions in this way: “A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven” (John 3:27).

Now, John the Baptist says this to show that Jesus, His teaching, and His baptism are from heaven. But this statement is true of everything – everything that we have and are in body and soul. In fact, this is what we are taught in the meaning of the Apostles’ Creed in *Luther’s Small Catechism*.

In the explanation of the Creed’s First Article, we learn that God has made us and everything in the universe. Luther says:

“He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.”

In the Second Article of the Creed, we learn that God sent His Son, Jesus, to humble Himself, taking the form of a servant. Luther writes:

“(Jesus) has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.”

In the Third Article of the Creed, we learn that the fruits of what Jesus Christ, the Son of God, did are given to us through the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church. Luther explains:

“That I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel,

enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.”

Indeed, a person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. But how easy is this for us to forget about this?

How easy is it for us to think that what we have in this life is because we have earned it? How easy is it for us to forget that even all our skills, the abilities of our hands and minds – the very ethic to work diligently and to seek to get better at these skills – is given to us from heaven, just as John the Baptist said? How easy is it for us to forget that it is Christ alone – and the work of the Holy Spirit – that reveals His salvation to us, delivers it to us, and not our doing?

Sure, we have responsibility for coming to church, for delving into God’s Holy Word, and for praying without ceasing. But even these responsibilities are given to us from heaven, not to earn anything but in response to what He has accomplished for us.

A person cannot receive one thing unless it is given to him from heaven. Everything we have, and everything we are – in both body and soul – are gifts from God in heaven. Let us then respond in thanksgiving and give back to Him as He asks us to – with a first-fruits, generous proportion offering of what He has given to us.

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### May Church Statistics

Date	Worship	Bible Study
5-1-2022	52	19
5-8-2022	55	19
5-15-2022	48	19
5-17-2022	??	--
5-22-2022	41	19
5-29-2022	47	21

### Financial Report

See the Financial Report page.

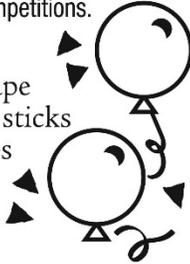


# GREAT SUMMER GAMES

Though this year's Summer Olympics were postponed, you can host friendly neighborhood competitions.

## What you need:

- Masking tape
- Large craft sticks
- Paper plates
- Balloons
- Ribbon
- Scissors
- Green construction paper
- Craft glue



## What you do:

**Balloon Badminton:** Make rackets by taping a stick "handle" to each plate. Blow up and tie a balloon. Use the rackets to pass the balloon back and forth, without letting it touch the floor.

**Rhythmic Routines:** Using tape, firmly attach one end of a 4-foot ribbon to a craft stick. Display style and skill by waving it around. Try choreographing a routine to a praise song.

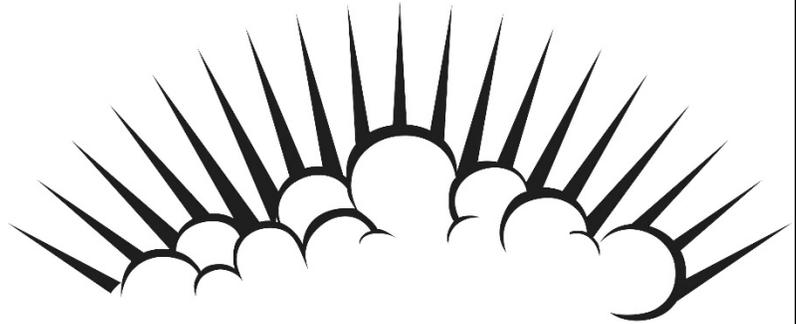
**Champion Crown:** Cut a large hole out of the center of a paper plate. Cut 2-inch ovals from green paper. Glue those "leaves" to the ring as garland. Crown a winner of each game!



## Our heavenly Father

Father's Day is the perfect time to remember God, our heavenly Father. What does the psalmist say about him?

*Directions: Complete Psalm 89:26 by placing the correct vowels in the blanks.*



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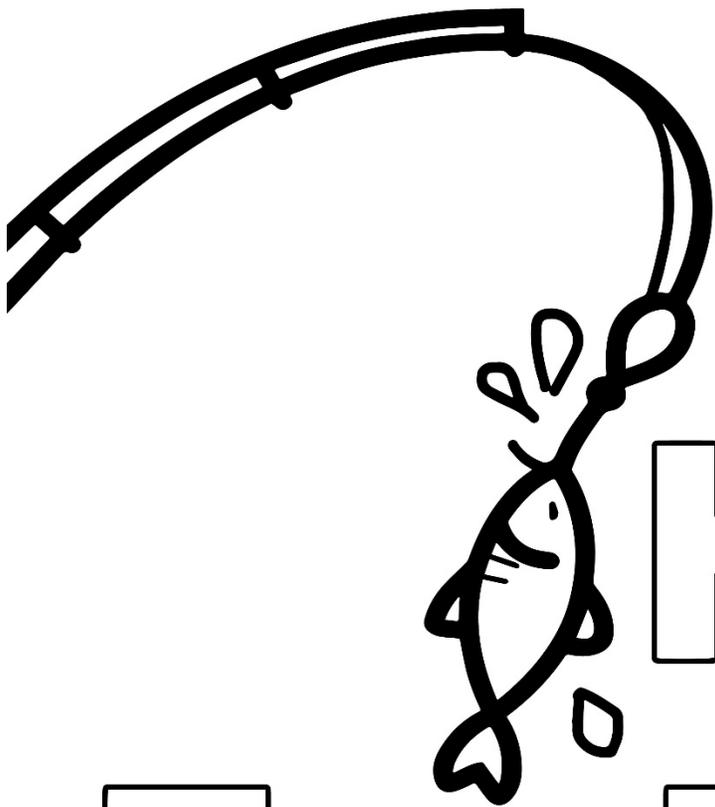
'Y\_ \_ \_r\_ m\_ F\_th\_r, m\_

G\_d, th\_ R\_ck m\_ S\_v\_ \_r."

Ps\_lm 89:26, N\_V

Answer: "He will call out to me, 'You are my Father, my God, the Rock my Savior.'" Psalm 89:26, NIV





Happy

Father's

Day