

# NEWS OF THE SON

Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO



*From the  
Pastors*

January 2018



A Christ-blest New Year to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus. May the blessings of His presence and His peace be with you.

On Sunday, January 7, in the 10:30 worship service we dedicate our newly elected officers and board members and rededicate our incumbent board members for 2018. The officers and board members for this year are the following:

Chairman	Gary Kespohl		
Secretary	Jacque Eckhoff		
Treasurer	Warren Harms		
Financial Secretary	JoAnn Schoenike		
Board of Christian Education			
	Mary Frerking	Julie Smith	Teresa Gooch
Board of Early Childhood Education			
	Karen Niederjohn	Mark Unterreiner	Virginia Propp
Board of Elders	David Attebery	Larry McCoig	Ron Barrett
	Roger Morrison	John Frerking	Doug Kiehne
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Board of Evangelism			
	Robert Hall	Pattie Smith	Doug McDowell
Board of Parochial Education			
	Ron Dickes (6-months)		Candice Kling
	Cynthia Green		Mary Raisch
Board of Social Ministry			
	Misty Brown	Carol Morrison	Carol Eggerding
Board of Stewardship and Finance			
	Lori Bresnahan	Fred Luetkemeier	Laura Grise
	Richard Mangold	Darren Laupp	Andrew Saeger
Board of TLC Endowment Fund			
	Eldrid Easterhaus	Don Malson	Beaufort Katt
Board of Trustees	Michael Brown (2-yr)		Jim Niederjohn (3-yr)
	Ken Greer (1-yr)		
Board of Youth	Melissa Fitzgerald (1-yr)		Melissa Kiehne
	Chris Bailey (3-yr)		

There is one vacancy yet to be filled – a position on the Board of Elders. If you are contacted in the coming days by the nominating committee regarding this vacancy, please prayerfully consider your participation on this board and service to your brothers and sisters in Christ at Trinity.

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**Knowing Christ's Love  
Seeking His Will  
Spreading His Word**

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We express our appreciation and gratitude to the following members who have completed their terms of service during this past year:

Chairman	Phil Glenn	
Secretary	Cynthia Green	
Board of Elders	Kevin Burns	Ron Dickes
Board of Evangelism	Chelsea Browner	Laura Messervy
Board of Social Ministry	Theresa Greer	
Board of Stewardship and Finance	Conrad Brown	Robin Tipton

May the Lord continue to bless the labors of loving service which have been rendered by His servants over the past year, and continue to reap abundant fruit by the Spirit's blessing in the coming year.

We also wish to thank you for remembering our families during this past celebration of Christmas with the expressions of gratitude, with the cards, and with the gifts which you have shared with us over these past weeks. They are very much deeply appreciated!

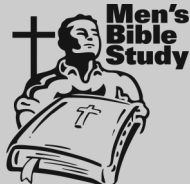
Blessings to you in Jesus' name!

*Pastor Kenneth J. Gerike*

*Pastor Brian K. Thieme*

### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Thursday Morning Bible Study meets at 6:30 AM at The Terrace Retirement Community, 1408 Business Loop 70 West, in the cinema room on the second floor. Following the one-hour study period, we share an optional breakfast and fellowship time in the lovely Terrace dining facility. You are warmly encouraged to join the group and bring along a friend!



### SENIOR MINISTRY WEEKLY LUNCH

Every Thursday Trinity seniors gather at Denny's restaurant north of the Columbia Mall on Stadium Blvd. A private room is reserved for our group. We meet at 11:30 a.m. We hope you will come whenever your schedule allows. Each week is different as is the number who attend. It's a fun time and a great way to get to know each other. Hope to see you there!

*"For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow.  
But woe to him who is alone when he  
falls and has not another to lift him up!"  
~Ecc. 4:10*



### LLL FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Please come join the LLL for their next Bible Study on Sunday evening January 7 at 6pm in the fellowship hall. In this Bible Study entitled "A Man Named Martin Part 3: The Movement—Session 2," participants can learn how the Reformation transformed European society and, eventually, left a profound impression around the globe.



### WOMEN'S SOCIAL CONNECTION

The Women's Social Connection meets the third Friday of each month at rotating locations. December's gathering will be at the home of Barb Semmens on the 15th at 1:30pm.

Items for the monthly *News of the Son* are due to the church office by noon on the 25th of the month (or the previous Friday if the 25th falls on a weekend).

Announcements for the *Trinity Weekly News* are due to the church office by noon each Thursday. Announcements of 50-75 words are preferred.



# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN SCHOOL



*"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." ~Hebrews 13:8*

Good Shepherd Lutheran School exists to be a partner with parents, assisting them in raising their children, and helping everyone to grow in love, knowledge and faith in Jesus Christ. How do we do this?

January 19<sup>th</sup> we will be showing **The Secret of Nimh**. Bring the kids and enjoy popcorn and soda/water. The movie begins at 6:00 p.m.

## Cornerstone

This funds scholarships for the 2017-2018 school year. Pledge cards are located on the bulletin board outside Pr. Thieme's office. You can place them in the envelope provided and mail them to the school or you can drop them off at the church office and I will pick them up.

## Gala

March 3<sup>rd</sup>—If you have items you would like to contribute to the silent or live auction contact the school office or Candice Kling. All of these funds go to the operating budget of the school for next fiscal year.

## Open Houses

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month-10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 18—10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 6—6-8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6—6-8 p.m.

Wednesday, April 11—6-8 p.m.

**Open Enrollment**—Enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year is going on now. You can go to [www.gslscolumbia.org](http://www.gslscolumbia.org) to apply.

**National Lutheran Schools Week is January 21-27.** Watch for pictures next month.

Word of mouth is our most powerful recruitment tool. Tell everyone you know about the school. Have them come in and talk to us. Let us show you what we have to offer.

Thank you for all of your prayers and support this school year.

*Tammy Mangold*, Administrator

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Website: <http://gslscolumbia.org/>



Making Christmas Gift Bags



Singing During Advent Service



Preparing for Christmas Caroling

2018 SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES  
JANUARY - JUNE

Date	Day	Time	Communi:Special	Date	Day	Time	Communi:Special	Date	Day	Time	Communion	Special
Jan. 7	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 7	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 1	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jan. 14	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 14	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 8	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jan. 21	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 21	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 15	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jan. 28	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 28	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 22	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	LIFE
Feb. 4	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Feb. 4	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 29	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Feb. 11	Sun.	8:00a		Feb. 11	Sun.	10:30a		Feb. 5	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Feb. 12	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Feb. 14	Wed.	12:00p	Yes	Ash Wednesday
								Feb. 14	Wed.	7:00p	Yes	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 18	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Feb. 18	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Feb. 19	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Feb. 21	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service II
								Feb. 21	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service II
Feb. 25	Sun.	8:00a	LHM	Feb. 25	Sun.	10:30a		Feb. 26	Mon.	6:00p		LHM
								Feb. 28	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service III
								Feb. 28	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service III
Mar. 4	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Mar. 4	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Mar. 5	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Mar. 7	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service IV
								Mar. 7	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service IV
Mar. 11	Sun.	8:00a	DST Begins	Mar. 11	Sun.	10:30a		Mar. 12	Mon.	6:00p		
								Mar. 14	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service V
								Mar. 14	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service V
Mar. 18	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Mar. 18	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Mar. 19	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Mar. 21	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service VI
								Mar. 21	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service VI
Mar. 25	Sun.	8:00a		Mar. 25	Sun.	10:30a		Mar. 26	Mon.	6:00p		
								Mar. 29	Thurs.	12:00p	Yes	Maundy Thursday
								Mar. 29	Thurs.	7:00p	Yes	Maundy Thursday
								Mar. 30	Fri.	12:00p		Good Friday
								Mar. 30	Fri.	7:00p		Good Friday
Apr. 1	Sun.	7:00a	Yes	Apr. 1	Sun.	7:00a	Yes	Apr. 2	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	Easter
Apr. 8	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 8	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 9	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Apr. 15	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 15	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 16	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Apr. 22	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 22	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 23	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Apr. 29	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 29	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 30	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
May 6	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 6	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 7	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
May 13	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 13	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 14	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
May 20	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 20	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 21	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	Pentecost
May 27	Sun.	8:00a		May 27	Sun.	8:00a		May 28	Mon.	6:00p		
Jun. 3	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 3	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 4	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jun. 10	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 10	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 11	Mon.	6:00p		
Jun. 17	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 17	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 18	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jun. 24	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 24	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 25	Mon.	6:00p		



## DECEMBER 12, 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

(Draft Minutes - Yet to be Approved)

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held December 12, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The following people attended: Phil Glenn (Chairman), Tammy Mangold, JoAnn Schoenike, Fred Luetkemeier, Annette Kiehne, Doug Kiehne, Ken Greer, Pastor Thieme, Theresa Greer, Kali Weishaar, Mary Frerking, Pastor Gerike, Candice Kling, Pete Easterhaus, Virginia Propp, Warren Harms, Debbie Antel, Larry Samuel, Andrew Saeger, and Cynthia Green (Secretary). Pastor Gerike opened the meeting with devotion.

Approval of Meeting Agenda: Chairman Glenn noted that he wanted to add the *Custodial Duties for the Atkins Contract* under Old Business on the Agenda. A motion was made to accept the Meeting Agenda with this change; seconded and approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda: The consent agenda includes: Minutes of the November 14, 2017 BOD Meeting, Senior Pastor's Report (except Membership Changes), Associate Pastor's Report, Financial Secretary's Report, Board and Committee Reports. A motion was made to accept the consent agenda; seconded and approved.

### CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda minutes and reports are filed in the congregation secretary's notebook. The highlights from the reports are summarized here. The name of the board/committee representative(s) present at the BOD meeting is listed.

#### SENIOR PASTOR'S REPORT - Pastor Gerike

**Midweek Bible Study** (North Overflow Area): Luther's Use of the Scriptures in the Catechisms. **Sunday Morning Bible Study** (Basement -West): Galatians. Junior Confirmation Class III: There are 10 participating in the class. **Adult Information Class:** Two sets of classes currently running. **GSLS Teaching/Chapel:** December 4-8, 2017. **Shut-In Visitation:** There are currently 21 on the Pastoral Care list. (See also Membership Changes.)

#### ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S REPORT - Pastor Thieme

**DCEI:** Weekly meetings with the intern. **Marriage:** Three couples will be going through premarital sessions after Christmas. **District:** Presented a workshop on "Helping those who Suffer from the Sins of Others" at The Church Workers Conference (November 14-17, 2017) and officiated at an installation at St. Matthew, Lee Summit, on November 19, 2017. **Other Duties:**

Continues visiting with the homebound and those in the hospital and leads chapel for the Learning Center and Good Shepherd.

#### DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION INTERN REPORT- Kali Weishaar

**Christian Education:** She is teaching the 3rd-5<sup>th</sup> grade religion class at GSLS on M, T, Th, and F.; Attended the Bible Story Telling Conference on November 9-11, 2017; Led the preschool chapel on November 29, 2017 and has started telling Bible stories after school to Shepherd's Kids. **Youth:** She is leading the H.S. Youth class on Sunday mornings in the study of Acts; Lead a Sr. Youth night on November 12, 2017 on the topic of "Connecting with God"; Continues to make home family visits; and is meeting with area churches to plan a Youth Lock-In for February 2018.

#### FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - JoAnn Schoenike, Financial Secretary:

For the month of November, the Regular Envelope collections are 94.71% of the anticipated monthly amount, Loose Plate collections are 39.26%, and Sunday School collections are 91.04%. The Total Monthly collections are 92.02% of the monthly anticipated amount of \$47,028. The Total Year-to-Date collections through the end of November are 97.44% of the anticipated amount of \$484,266. **The full report is included in the agenda packet.**

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (Mary Frerking): No report was filed.

#### BOARD OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (Virginia Propp)

**Facilities:** Work is being done to prepare Custodial Contract Scope of Work. **Personnel:** New afternoon staff to replace graduating seniors has been hired. **Program Activities:** PreK made an advent wreath craft with the GSLS students on December 6, 2017; Christmas Service will be held on December 19, 2017 and Christmas parties will be held on December 20 and 21, 2017. **Ministry Activities:** They have collected food for the Central Missouri Food Bank, collected items for soldiers, and collected change for LCMS relief efforts in Puerto Rico.

#### BOARD OF PAROCHIAL EDUCATION (Candice Kling)

**Open Houses:** These continue to be held on the third Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m.

until 2:00 p.m. **Cornerstone Campaign:** The campaign is underway and the goal this year is \$18,000.00. All the money will go for scholarships for the 2018-2019 school year. **Volunteer Opportunities:** A pianist is needed for chapel on Wednesdays from 8:25 a.m. until 9:00 a.m.; A religion teacher is needed for grades 3–5 on Mondays and Tuesdays; A Scripp Card coordinator is needed and any help with the gala event would be appreciated. **Upcoming Events:** Neighborhood Caroling is on December 15, 2017 and Christmas Break is December 22, 2017 through January 1, 2018. **A financial report is included in the agenda packet.**

**BOARD OF EVANGELISM** (no Board representative was present): The Board reviewed their part in Trunk or Treat and went over what worked well and what they could improve upon for next year; Jeffrey Schaumbacker will be the coach for the “Plus-One” Initiative for Trinity; They discussed the distribution of Christmas bags, after December 13, for the unchurched TLCLC and GSLS families, that will be put together at the Mary Martha meeting and the Evangelism Board will team with The Board of Christian Education for serving the Light Advent Supper on December 20, 2017.

**BOARD OF YOUTH** (no Board representative was present): **A full financial report for the Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Fellowship Account is included in the agenda packet.**

**BOARD OF ELDERS** (Doug Kiehne): The Elders approved the adding of weekly communion at every service for the 2018 Epiphany Season; the Elders have begun taking over the moving of the elements to the altar before an 8:00 a.m. communion service, to help reduce the work load on the Alter Guild; the nominating committee has been actively working on filling the various Board positions for 2018 and the Elders will provide the light Advent supper on December 13, 2017.

**BOARD OF SOCIAL MINISTRY** (Theresa Greer): The Board concluded the collection and delivery of cold weather items for Warm- Up Columbia; the Board has shopped and restocked the kitchen supplies and they continue to meet on Thursdays under the direction of Sandy Dirks and Debbie Antel.

**BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE** (Fred Luetkemeier): The Board did not meet in December. Laura Grice and Darren Laupp will be doing the counting for the month of December.

**BOARD OF TLC ENDOWMENT**

**FUND** (Pete Easterhaus): Balances as of October 31, 2017 are: TLC Fund: \$17,257.50; Youth Ministry Fund: \$13,372.66; Bourret/Elliott Fund: \$34,638.81. **The full financial report for the three funds is included in the agenda packet.**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** (Ken Greer): New seven day programmable thermostats were purchased for the sanctuary three weeks ago. Crum was notified they were awaiting installation. So far only one has been installed; the non-operation of furnaces 3 and 4 was traced by Crum to a pneumatic interlock on the exhaust stack which was improperly installed many years ago. The Board is waiting on Crum to correct the installation; it was found that thermostat #3 (NW corner of sanctuary) is not located inside the zone that it controls. Thermostat #3 controls the mother’s cry room. Crum will be installing a wireless satellite in the cry room, that can send a signal to #3 and there are several other issues that require Crum’s attention, these include the rusty furnace exhaust stack in the upstairs closet that needs to be replaced, the roof mounted AC unit, the removal of two grease traps, and the issue of several AC/heat vents that were covered up in the fellowship hall/classroom area. **The full report is included in the agenda packet.**

#### Committee Reports

Executive Committee: In accordance with the direction from the October Assembly of Voters meeting, Chairman Glenn appointed Debbie Antel, Andrew Saeger, and Larry Samuel as a committee to assess the reimbursement rates being charged Good Shepherd Lutheran School and the Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center. In addition, the committee is tasked with completing a final draft of a lease between Trinity and Columbia Association of Lutheran Schools. The Executive Committee reviewed draft documents from the Reimbursement Committee and has recommended them to the December Board of Directors and Assembly of Voters.

REPORT FROM REIMBURSEMENT COMMITTEE: Committee members Larry Samuel, Debbie Antel and Andrew Saeger presented their updated report to the BOD. Discussions followed as to which of the four Usage/ Rent Calculations should be used for GSLS and TLCLC. Each of the four Usage/Rent Calculations impacts the budgets of Trinity, TLCLC and GSLS in different ways. A motion was made to accept Usage /Rent Calculation #2 and to recommend it to the Assembly of Voters on December 17, 2017, for their approval. The motion was seconded. A vote of the BOD was taken on this

motion, by a show of hands, and the motion failed.

A second motion was made to accept Usage/ Rent Calculation #4 and to recommend it to the Assembly of Voters on December 17, 2017, for their approval. The motion was seconded. A vote of the BOD was taken on this motion, by a show of hands, and the motion passed.

**The detailed Lease/Rent Committee Report is included in the agenda packet.**

#### MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

Profession of Faith: Mr. Charles Murphy

Adult Confirmation: Mrs. Jessica Murphy

Adult Baptism/Confirmation: Mr. Matthew Moyer

Adult Baptism/Confirmation: Mrs. Michelle Moyer

Transfer Out: Mrs. Amy Sanders  
Alive in Christ Lutheran Church  
Columbia, MO

A motion was made to accept the Membership Changes; motion seconded and approved.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT -Warren Harms, Treasurer

For the 11 months ending November 30, 2017, the church income was \$557,675, which is 89% of the total budgeted income for the year. The Learning Center income for this period was \$649,321, which is 108% of the budgeted income for the year.

Church expenditures for this period were \$504,338 (80% of the annual expenditure budget of \$626,740).

The Learning Center expenditures for this period were \$527,558 (88% of the annual expenditure budget of \$601,710).

Net operating cash as of November 30, 2017 was \$258,341. Cash in the dedicated accounts totaled \$81,023 (this is not part of the operating cash balance).

**A more detailed Treasurer's report is included in the agenda packet.**

There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and place it on file. Motion was seconded and approved.

#### OLD BUSINESS

CLAS Facility Lease Approval and Recommendation to AOV: Lease Committee members Debbie Antel, Larry Samuel, and Andrew Saeger presented their updated draft of the *Lease Agreement*, between Trinity and the Lutheran Association of Schools, to the BOD. There was a discussion on the draft *Lease Agreement*.

A motion was made to change the ending date of the

lease under the paragraph titled ***Term of Agreement***, from December 31, 2018 to read June 30, 2019, and to recommend the draft *Lease Agreement* with this change to the Assembly of Voters at their December 2017 meeting for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved.

A second motion was made to make changes to the date in line two and the date in line five in the paragraph titled ***Renewal***, so that in line two, December 1 will now read April 1, and in line five, November 1 will now read March 1, and to recommend the draft *Lease Agreement* with these changes to the Assembly of Voters at their meeting in December 2017 for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved.

A third motion was made to delete bullets 1 and 2 under Number 6, *Storage and Miscellaneous Spaces* under the paragraph titled ***Leased Premises***, and to recommend this change to the *Lease Agreement* to the Assembly of Voters at their meeting in December 2017 for their approval. Bullet one reads: 108- open areas of utility room near the west stairs and bullet two reads: 112- open areas of utility room near kitchen. Motion was seconded and approved.

A fourth motion was made to add a Termination Clause to the draft *Lease Agreement* and to recommend the draft *Lease Agreement* with this change to the Assembly of Voters at their meeting in December 2017, for their approval. Motion was seconded. Discussion followed and JoAnn Schoenike called the question. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

**The draft *Lease Agreement* in its entirety, is included in the agenda packet.**

SCOTUS Ruling Discussion: Chairman Glenn informed the BOD that there was no further update to report.

2018 Draft Budget Discussion: The proposed budget for Trinity for 2018 was discussed. It was decided to make a few minor changes to some of the wording on the budget worksheet. It was also decided that the 2018 Budget Worksheet, when presented to the AOV, at their December 2017 meeting, should reflect the Usage /Rent Calculation #4 that the BOD approved for GSLS and TLCLC. A motion was made to accept the draft 2018 Budget Worksheet for Trinity with the all changes discussed and agreed to, and to present it to the AOV at their meeting in December 2017 for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved.

The proposed budget for TLCLC for 2018

was discussed. Several minor changes were requested most of which are noted on the updated TLCLC 2018 Budget Worksheet found on page 57 in the agenda packet. It was also discussed that the TLCLC 2018 Budget should also be updated for the AOV meeting in December 2017, to reflect the adoption of the Usage/Rent Calculation #4 by the BOD. A motion was made to accept the draft 2018 Budget Worksheet for TLCLC with all the changes discussed and agreed to, and to present it to the AOV at their meeting in December 2017 for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved.

**Both the draft budget for Trinity for 2018 and the draft budget for TLCLC for 2018 are included in the agenda packet in their entirety.**

Gym Ceiling Project Update: Chairman Glenn reported that Septagon will start repairs on the gym ceiling on December 18, 2017.

Nomination Committee Update: The Elders presented their slate of nominees for the various Board positions that have openings for next year. Several Boards were still in need of candidates. A motion was made to accept this slate of nominees and to recommend it to the Assembly of Voters at their meeting in December 2017, for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved.

Facilities Planning Committee Report: Committee members Lawrence Propp, Jon Berendzen, Dana Luetkemeyer, Kevin Mott and Mike Waltz submitted a report on items that they believed needed to be considered for improving the church facilities. A motion was made to accept the report and refer it to the AOV at their meeting in December 2017. Motion was seconded and approved. **The full report of the Facilities Planning Committee is included in the agenda packet.**

Custodial Scope of Work for the Contract with Atkins: The detailed list of assembled custodial duties was reviewed. A motion was made to include this list in the contract with Atkins and to recommend it to the AOV at their meeting in December 2017, for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved. **The detailed list is filed with the agenda packet.**

Facility Use Request: There was a request by JoAnn Schoenike, to use the fellowship hall kitchen and the fellowship hall on Saturday, February 17, 2018, for a baby shower from 12:30 -4:30 p.m. There was a motion to approve this request. Motion was seconded and approved.

## NEW BUSINESS

2018 Growth Sessions – *Built on a Rock*: Pastor Thieme was seeking feedback on his suggestion to have the 2018 BOD's read the book, *Built on a Rock*, and to spend 15- 20 minutes at the beginning of each BOD meeting discussing readings from the book. Comments ranged from this is a business meeting and it would make the usual BOD meeting even longer, to the suggestion of a 2-day retreat for all 2018 Board members to discuss the book in depth.

2018 Schedule of Worship Services (January- June): The 2018 Schedule of Worship Services for January – June was presented and discussed. The new schedule includes having communion during Epiphany. A motion was made to accept the proposed 2018 Schedule of Worship Services for January – June, and to recommend it to the AOV at their December 2017 meeting for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved. **The complete 2018 Schedule of Worship Services for January – June, is included in the agenda packet.**

2014, 2015, 2016 Financial Review- Board of Early Childhood Education: It was noted that the name of the Learning Center was incorrect in various places in the report and should be corrected. There was a motion to accept the report, with the corrections discussed above, and to present this Financial Review to the AOV at their meeting in December 2017. An amended motion was then made to change the title to *Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center Financial Review for 2014, 2015 and 2016*, in place of using the words “Audits findings of Trinity Lutheran Church Child Learning Center for 2014, 2015, and 2016” and to accept this report with all of the other changes suggested and to present this Financial Review to the AOV at their meeting in December. Motion was seconded and approved.

TLCLC Five Year Plan: There was discussion on the *Proposal to Establish a Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center 5-Year Plan Fund* document, which was presented by Early Childhood Education Board member, Virginia Propp. A motion was made to present this proposal, to the AOV at their December 2017 meeting for their approval. Motion was seconded and approved. **The full proposal is included in the agenda packet.**

Proposal to Establish a Policy for Tuition Discounts for all LCMS Church Members at Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center: The new proposed policy for tuition discounts was presented by Early Childhood Education Board member, Virginia Propp, and the change in policy was discussed. Under the existing



policy, only members of Trinity receive a 10% discount on tuition for their children who attend TLCLC, whereas under the new proposed policy, members of all LCMS churches will receive a 10% tuition discount for their child or grandchild who attends TLCLC. A motion was made to present this new policy to the AOV at their meeting in December 2017, for approval. Motion was seconded and approved. **The proposal as presented to the BOD is included in the agenda packet.**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Glenn announced that the Reformation Committee was formally disbanding.

Board and Officer Installation and Orientation: January 7, 2018

Board of Directors Meeting: January 9, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn; motion seconded and approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m. Pastor Thieme closed the meeting with prayer.

Cynthia Green, Secretary



**January Board of Directors agenda items are due to the church office by noon on Friday, January 5, 2018.**

**The Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

## 2017 Trinity Lutheran Church Board Members

#### Chairman

Phil Glenn

#### Secretary

Cynthia Green

#### Treasurer

Warren Harms

#### Financial Secretary

JoAnn Schoenike

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Ron Barrett

Kevin Burns

Ron Dickes

John Frerking

Doug Kiehne

Larry McCoig

Roger Morrison

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Chelsea Browner

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Doug McDowell

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Eldrid Easterhaus

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Don Malson

#### Board of Trustees

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Ken Greer

Jim Niederjohn

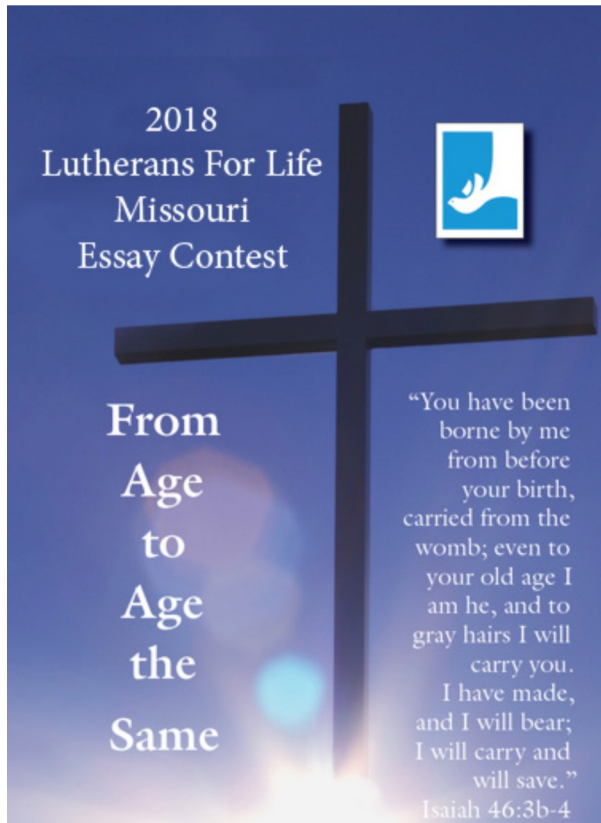
## COLLECTIONS FOR COMMUNITY MISSIONS

Thank you for your generous donations to our community missions. Please continue to collect and donate the items listed below. You can place them in the labeled bins inside the Christian Resource Center (brown unit in the hallway). If you need assistance getting the items to Trinity or have other suggestions for collections, please contact the church office.



#### Community Collection Items:

- Best Choice UPCs • Tyson 1-2-3 Labels •
- Box Tops for Education • Printer ink cartridges/toners •
- Soda & Soup Can Pop Tops • Moser's Grocery Receipts •
- Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids you no longer use •
- Coupons with no expiration date •
- Food (nonperishable, no glass containers) •
- Spiritual publications (Portals of Prayer, Devotions, etc.) •
- Canceled postage stamps (No **Forever, Love,** or **Christmas**) •



# 2018 Missouri Essay Contest

**For students in Grades 6 through 12**

*Any Lutheran student or student in a Lutheran school is eligible*

**Sponsored by the Council of Federation Presidents, Lutherans For Life**

## Contest Guidelines

1. Students will write a life-affirming essay based on the 2018 Conference theme: **From Age to Age the Same** and **Isaiah 46:3b-4** *“You have been borne by me from before your birth, carried from the womb; even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save.”*
2. Examples of topics the essay could deal with are, but not limited to: abortion, the handicapped, infanticide, cloning, stem cell research, physician assisted suicide or euthanasia.
3. Essays should include student's name, grade (Identify school or church) and email address. All entries submitted by a teacher or pastor, should include their name and email address. This information should be submitted on the rubric page used in grading the essay.
4. All sources for references, statistics and quotes should be incorporated within the essay and then included in a bibliography at the end.
  - ✝ Grades 6 - 8 should submit essays up to 400 words
  - ✝ Grades 9 - 12 should submit essays up to 750 words
5. Entries should be submitted digitally using Microsoft Word via email to [lflofmo@gmail.com](mailto:lflofmo@gmail.com) by March 15, 2018.
6. There will be a \$100 award for each of the two categories for the state of Missouri Essay Contest. The two state winners will advance to the national contest.
7. Grand Prize for national winning entry at each level: \$250 plus free conference registration to the 2018 National Conference and 1 hotel night at a conference hotel.
8. All entries become the property of Lutherans For Life.
9. For questions or resources on the sanctity of life, see: [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)



# New Members



**Jordan Rowan**



**Cole Starbuck**

## RADIO RESOURCES

### The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour with Rev. Kenneth Klaus and Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer proclaims the salvation story of Jesus every week to hundreds of thousands of listeners. The Lutheran Hour weekly half-hour program can be read/heard on [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org), on their mobile app, or Sundays on several radio stations:

8am on **KMCV 89.9FM** in Jeff City  
 8am on **KLTE 107.9FM** in Kirksville  
 9am on **KMCR 103.9FM** in Montgomery City  
 10am on **KMMO 1300AM** in Marshall  
 10am on **KFRU 1400AM** in Columbia

### KFUO Lutheran Radio

Listen to Worldwide KFUO.org, your station for practical Lutheran talk, daily Bible and Confession studies, daily worship, and current issues from a Lutheran worldview. Programs are archived at KFUO.org for on-demand listening. You can also find our programming wherever you get your podcasts!

### Issues, Etc.: Christ-Centered, Cross-Focused

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen on-demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the LPR mobile app.



## MONTHLY CRAFT NIGHT AND MEETING

Join the Vesper Guild on Tuesday, January 16 for our monthly meeting while you enjoy making a craft project along with fellow crafters. No skill required! We will have extra projects to work on, or you can bring your own. Snacks and beverages are provided! We meet in the Overflow Area from 6:00-8:00pm. (Please note the time change.) If you have any questions, contact Betty Buchheit at (573) 823-2664.



## 2018 HOLY LAND TOUR

If you are planning to join us for the 2018 Holy Land Tour, please attend our travel planning meeting on Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 4pm in the overflow area. We will be discussing what flights people will be taking so that folks can coordinate and travel together if they so choose.

## Dear Church Family,

### Please call the church office when:

- a member of your family is admitted to the hospital so visits can be made
- someone you know is very ill or has passed away
- your class, board, or group would like to use the church for a meeting or event so it can be scheduled on the church calendar
- your contact information or address changes
- a new baby arrives in your family
- a member of your family leaves home for college, joins the military, or is getting married
- you would like to have a member call you to visit or assist you in some way
- you have a prayer request
- you would like to share your time and talents
- you feel the church can assist you in any way

**Telephone: 573-445-2112**

**Or by email: [church@trinity-lcms.org](mailto:church@trinity-lcms.org)**



# BE COOL FOR OUR SCHOOL

## BLUE & GREEN GALA

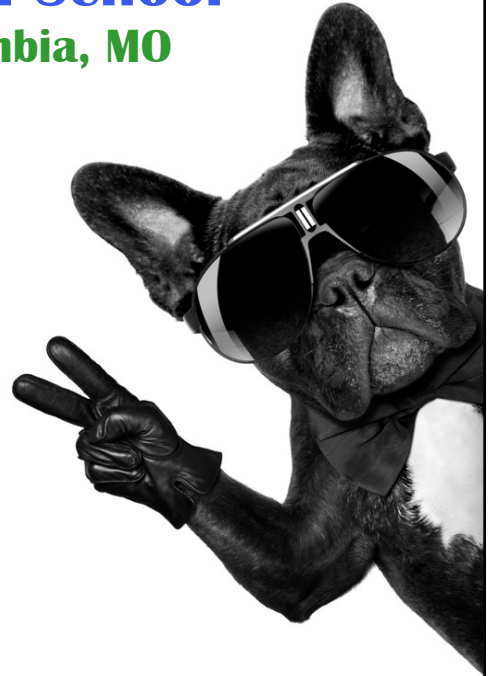
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### Good Shepherd Lutheran School

Columbia Country Club, Columbia, MO

March 3, 2018

- ★ Scholarship opportunities and levels to support GSLS at the Gala: Gold, Silver, Blue & Green Levels
- ★ Silent Auction Baskets & Live Auction Items are a great way to use your creative talent!
- ★ Remember Thrivent Dollars can help with GSLS school items and with the Gala.
- ★ LOOK for the Blue & Green Gala invitations coming .....January 4, 2018
- ★ Jingle Candice [docanddesign@me.com](mailto:docanddesign@me.com) or 573-442-4409 (Home) 252-267-2791 (Cell/Text)



# Are you ready for the challenge?

## Luther's Reformation Escape Room

Coming December 27, 2017 - January 5, 2018 to Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbia, Mo. Contact the church office to schedule your party's 45-minute escape. Group size is 4-6 people. Free-will donations to benefit hurricane relief efforts will be collected.



## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHILD LEARNING CENTER

### January is Open Enrollment Month for Trinity Members and Current Families!

Pick up registration forms by the LearningCenter office on Sunday, January 14, 2018. You may leave the completed forms along with the proper registration fee in our money drop box.

- ⇒ Members of all LCMS churches will receive a 10% tuition discount for their child or grandchild who attends Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center.
- ⇒ Summer and / or fall sessions 2018
- ⇒ Days: Monday/Wednesday/Friday, Tuesday/Thursday, or Monday – Friday
- ⇒ Hours: 6:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. full-time or part-time
- ⇒ Contact: (573) 445-1014 or [TLCLC@trinity-lcms.org](mailto:TLCLC@trinity-lcms.org)



When children from our church attend TLCLC, they begin to view church as their second home. They are comfortable with the building. They see themselves and events they attended on the Sunday School bulletin boards as they walk by every day. Church becomes more than just a place to visit once a week—it is the place where they play, learn, and are loved! Please prayerfully consider sending your child to Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center.

Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center  
2201 West Rollins Rd.  
Columbia, MO 65203  
(573) 445-1014  
[TLCLC@trinity-lcms.org](mailto:TLCLC@trinity-lcms.org)  
<https://tlclckids.com/>

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." - Proverbs 22:6



Maddox and David Building Together

### UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

**Beginning in Mid-January, Pastor Thieme will be hosting two new weekly Bible Studies, each running for several weeks. Both are open to all and meet in the overflow area at Trinity.**

#### **Interactive Bible Study** **Mondays at 7pm** (beginning Jan. 15)

This study will cover twenty Bible stories that give an overview of the Bible. During each lesson, participants will hear one story and then work in small groups to discuss that story. During the twenty weeks, we will use a range of discussion techniques designed to give everyone a chance to participate. The study will also include activities that can be used at home to help children learn the stories.

#### **The Five Listeners** **Wednesdays at 7pm** (beginning Jan. 17)

This Bible study is designed help “familial evangelism,” that is witnessing to your family, friends, and coworkers. Sometimes even those close to us will bristle if we try to reach out to them about our religion. During this study, participants will learn techniques that are designed to be natural, gentle ways to lay the foundation for God’s story.





# JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph & Candace Sall ..... January 9, 1993  
 Angel & Jeff Arnall.....January 10, 1998  
 Jon & Karly Berendzen.....January 19, 2008  
 Chuck & Jessica Murphy.....January 21, 2009  
 Gary & Patty Kespohl.....January 27, 1968  
 Bill & Joyce Raines .....January 27, 1963



The information for Anniversaries & Birthdays is obtained from our Shepherd Staff database. If your information is incorrect or omitted, please contact the church office so this information can be updated.



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

**2**  
 Candace Sall  
 Elena Scharlott  
 Karla Yung  
**3**  
 Hadwig Brown  
 Larna Mack  
 Gail Schuster  
**4**  
 Doug McDowell  
 Brian Whittle  
**5**  
 Thomas Marler IV  
 Carrie Whittle  
**6**  
 Reece McMillen  
 Corie O'Neill  
**7**  
 Chase Hemmer  
 Andrew Saeger

**8**  
 Andy Luetkemeyer  
 Joanna McDowell  
**9**  
 Beth Sall  
**10**  
 Nathan Eckhoff  
**11**  
 Patty Kespohl  
 Brian Thieme  
**12**  
 Sophia LaFoy  
 Stephanie Stansell  
**13**  
 Forrest Firestone  
 Adam Francis  
**15**  
 John David Banks  
**16**  
 Jon Harpert  
**18**  
 Jeff Arnall  
 Josiah Thieme  
 Keri Thoroughman  
**19**  
 Larry McCoig  
**20**  
 Connie Coil  
**21**  
 Shane Brown  
 Amanda Thieme  
**22**  
 Laura Messervy  
 Denise Tackitt

**23**  
 Debi Derendinger  
 Sophia Thompson  
**24**  
 Mya Monroe  
**25**  
 Frances Kiene  
**28**  
 Chloe Gibson  
**27**  
 Emilee Buchheit  
**28**  
 JoAnn Schoenike  
**29**  
 Debbie Antel  
 Joseph Sall  
 Donald Schmidt  
**31**  
 Jere Francis  
 Meredith Stone



## JUST FOR YOUTH

### JCC CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE:

JCC Classes will continue for the upcoming months. January sessions will be: 1/7 at 2pm and 1/14, 1/21, and 1/28 at noon.

### ACOLYTE SCHEDULE:

JCC II will be the acolytes for January. Go to the Trinity website → Ministries → Youth → Jr. High Youth → Acolyte Schedules to sign up or change you're the services you would like to acolyte.

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- Pastor Thieme will lead an activity for the Jr. High youth Sunday, January 14 from 1:30-2:15pm.
- DCEI Kali will facilitate a Senior High Youth Night that same Sunday from 6-8pm.
- Please plan to join us for a service project on Sunday, Jan. 28.
- Keep your eyes open for info on more Jr. and Sr. High events

### SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY

January 21, 2018 is Sanctity of Human Life Sunday, a time to reflect on the value of every human life that God has created and redeemed. The date is chosen that is nearest to the January 22, 1973 date of the Roe v. Wade U.S. Supreme Court decision that declared abortion legal for any reason during all nine months of pregnancy. Since that date, more than 58 million babies have been aborted. At our services that week, there will be sharing moments and an opportunity to support the work of Lutherans For Life through a free-will offering in addition to an information table with Lutherans For Life resources. Please pray for the work of Lutherans For Life and especially all the women and their families who have been hurt physically, emotionally and spiritually by an abortion decision.

# Hope For Life



[www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

# January 2018

**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

	<b>1</b> 6p Worship Service / Communion Offices Closed	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 8:25a GSLS Chapel 9a TLCLC Chapel	<b>4</b> 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 11:30a Senior Ministry Lunch @ Denny's	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 8a & 10:30a Worship / Comm. 9:15a Bible Study / Sunday School / Fellowship 12p Board & Officer Potluck and Orientation 2p JCC 4p Israel Trip Meeting 5:30p LLL	<b>8</b> 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service / Communion	<b>9</b> 7p Board of Directors	<b>10</b> 8:25a GSLS Chapel 9a TLCLC Chapel 9:20a Mary Martha Guild	<b>11</b> 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 10a MO District Constitution Committee 11:30a Senior Ministry Lunch @ Denny's	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
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COLUMBIA, MO 65203-1433

**WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES:**  
**SUNDAY 8:00 AND 10:30 A.M.**  
**MONDAY AT 6:00 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE CLASS**  
**9:15 A.M.**  
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