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Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO

The Foundation of Stewardship

By LCMS Stewardship Ministry

It's September, and everything is in full swing again: back to school and back to church attendance after vacations and weekends away. And since everything is back into full swing, it's a perfect time to get back to basics, back to the foundation.

At the end of the first of his chapters on the virtue of faith in *Mere Christianity*, C.S. Lewis provides a helpful reminder, by way of analogy, for the foundation of stewardship. He wrote:

Every faculty you have, your power of thinking or of moving your limbs from moment to moment, is given you by God. If you devoted every moment of your whole life exclusively to His service you could not give Him anything that was not in a sense His own already. So then, when we talk of a man doing anything for God or giving anything to God, I will tell you what it is really like. It is like a small child going to its father and saying, "Daddy, give me six pence to buy you a birthday present." Of course, the father does, and he is pleased with the child's present. It is all very nice and proper, but only a [child] would think that the father is six-pence to the good on the transaction. When a man has made these two discoveries God can really get to work. It is after this that real life begins. (128–129).

This is the first thing we are given to confess about stewardship, and it has to do with ownership. God owns everything, and we are simply managers — stewards — acting on His behalf. This is true not only of all that we have in this life (Deuteronomy 8:17–18), but also all that we are in this life (1 Corinthians 6:20).

The rest flows from here. Since we are stewards, or managers, of what belongs to God, entrusted to make use of it according to His will, there is an expectation of responsibility and accountability.

For the Lord said, "Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more" (Luke 12:48b).

And from this comes blessing and reward: "Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master" (Matthew 25:21).

We have everything we need to support this body and life from our God's fatherly divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in us. We have everything we need for our spiritual life also from His merciful hands.

On account of the sacrifice of His Son, our Lord Jesus, through the preaching of the gospel and the administration of the sacraments, we have the forgiveness of sins, eternal life, and everlasting salvation delivered to us with absolute certainty that it is ours — not as stewards but as sons (Galatians 4:1–7).

Let us then, as His own sons, press all that He gives to us into the service of His church and to His glory.





September 2018

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Knowing Christ's Love Seeking His Will Spreading His Word

THANK YOU



On behalf of Life Network and My Life Clinic, I would like to take a moment to thank the church staff and congregation NTRAL MISSOURI at Trinity Lutheran Church of their

much needed donation of diapers as well as your continued support for this organization. It is a blessing to have such support from the church and all its members. Again, thank you for the donation; we could not do what we do without YOU!!!

Melissa Lowe, Executive Director Life Network of Central MO / My Life Clinic

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!!

I want to express my gratitude to all my brothers and sisters in Christ at Trinity for all the cards, prayers, visits, and assistance to me and my family following my accident early in August. Most of you already know that my pelvis was fractured along with a lot of other bruising and torn muscles and ligaments as the result of a horse bucking. Surgery was needed to screw together the bones and repair the other damage. At times like these not only do you find yourself in earnest prayer to our heavenly father, but you also receive the benefit of so many prayers from a family of brothers and sisters in Christ, all of you. I am healing now and hope to be restored to full health in the coming months. The power of prayer and belonging to the body of Christ are such a great comfort in times like this and I thank God for all of you!!!!

Yours in Christ, David K. Attebery

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!

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!

THANK YOU

As you probably know, the Missouri State Fair is just over. Members of your congregation joined with a total of 46 volunteers to staff the Lutheran Hour Ministries booth during the 11 day event. They greeted fairgoers with a smile and a large collection of free material, all of which shared, in some way or another, the Good News that Jesus loves you. During the 11 days, we distributed 450 adult booklets, 4,300 kid booklets, 1,300 emery boards, 2,000 pocket crosses, and 1,100 yardsticks—all free of charge to anyone who was interested. Please join us in praying that the Holy Spirit would sprout the seeds planted through these encounters to grow and strengthen faith in the Triune God. Again, thank you for your time and your prayers, and mark your calendar for next year's fair if you're looking for a rewarding way to be His hands and mouth.

Sharon Hutcheson Lutheran Hour Ministries, Missouri District



THANK YOU

Thank you for your kind words of sympathy on the passing of my husband Al due to a long illness with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. Your prayers and encouragement have strengthened me and our family as we mourn the loss of husband and father. It is with a thankful heart that I can confidently say Al is now breathing freely in the arms of Jesus. Also, we greatly appreciate your donations to Camp Wartburg Lutheran Retreat Center in Al's memory.

The family of Al Frost

SEMISAURUS

Come see the Semisaurus at Trinity October 23-25! Semisaurus is a mobile creation museum that gives people answers. How old is the earth? What happened to the dinosaurs? The realistic displays provide facts and evidence that take the creation-evolution debate headon. Visitors can participate in a self-guided audio tour, see a replica of Noah's ark, and take in the sights, sounds and smells of 'the swamp room.' It's professional, highly technical, and engaging for nearly every age.



CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES



The first choir practice of the Fall will be held **Wednesday**, **Sept. 5**, **from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** Bring your voice, and come make a joyful noise with us! For more information, please contact Chris Kespohl at (573) 356-1161.

WARM UP COLUMBIA

Our congregation is once again participating in Warm Up Columbia, a program offered by Voluntary Action Center (VAC) to provide winter items for low-



income, elderly, homeless and disabled individuals and families. Please bring your clean, gently used coats, jackets, blankets, hats, gloves, scarves, and socks during the month of September for this most



worthy collection. Collection containers will be in the hallway. All items will be taken to VAC to be dis-

tributed on Nov. 3, 2018. For more info or to volunteer, visit VAC's website: www.vacmo.org.

LIFE TEAM TRAINING

Attention all Trinity life-loving members! Trinity is holding a Life Team training on Saturday Oct. 27 from 9 a.m. to noon. Come learn what a Life Team is, how God views life and what we can do to become a



life-affirming church. To sign up, call Sylvia Glenn at (573) 592-7866 or Phyllis White at (573) 489-5127. God's Blessings!

TRINITY APPAREL STORE

The Board of Evangelism invites you to shop 'til you drop at the new Trinity online apparel store at www.snowcreekapparel.com/trinity_lutheran_store/. Here you can find hats, men's and women's polo shirts, and two different t-shirt designs. Shop and pay securely online, and your items will be available for pick up after services on Sunday, October 21 (and at the church office after that day). If you would like help ordering or do not have internet access, Andrew Saeger in the church office will be happy to help you. The store will be open until October 7, then it will close so we can fill the orders. The store will also likely re-open in coming months with new color choices. All proceeds above the cost of the apparel will be used to purchase t-shirts for VBS 2019.

LLL FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Please come join the LLL for their next Bible Study on Sept. 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. From Luther's 95 Theses in 1517 to the Peace of Westphalia in 1648, God was at work in the Reformation. Learn more about this period of time in our Bible study topic: A Man Named Martin—Part 3: The Moment - Session 5.

SUCCESS!

After six years and a final ruling by The U.S. Supreme Court, the highest court in the land, The Missouri Department of Natural Resources Solid Waste Division recently notified Trinity that they are awarding us a grant of \$18,221 auspices of the Playground Scrap

Tire Surface Material Grant Program. This grant will allow The Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center (TLCLC) to install a pour-in-place rubberized surface to provide better safety for our TLCLC children.



However, the grant did not come about easily. Even

though The Supreme Court ruling set a remarkable precedent, The State of Missouri required Trinity to compete for the grant via the application process. Thanks to the hard work of Virginia Propp, Chair of the Board of Early Childhood Education, the 2012 application was updated and submitted, and Trinity's application scored high enough for the grant. It's been a long and arduous battle for religious liberty and the congregation should be proud that Trinity's pursuit of equal treatment under the law set a legal precedent for the nation that will impact more than just playground material.

In His service, Phil Glenn



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AUGUST 14, 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

(Draft Minutes - Yet to be Approved)

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order on August 14, 2018 at 7:04 p.m. Attendees included Gary Kespohl (Chairman), Jacque Eckhoff (Secretary), Pastor Brian Thieme, Mary Frerking, Andrew Saeger, Warren Harms, Virginia Propp, Angel Arnall, JoAnn Schoenike, Annette Kiehne, Doug Kiehne, Doug McDowell and Ken Greer.

Pastor Thieme gave the opening devotion.

Pastor Thieme added Semisaurus Update to New Business and Bibles to Announcements. Doug Kiehne added Visioning to New Business. Angel Arnall moved to accept the Meeting Agenda with these additions; seconded and approved.

Jacque Eckhoff noted that the Social Ministry summary in the July 17, 2018 Minutes should be changed by removing "collected school supplies for VAC, had a Baby Bottle Boomerang collection during VBS", as these happened in July not June. Angel Arnall moved to accept the Consent Agenda, including July 17, 2018 Minutes with the stated change; seconded and approved.

The Consent Agenda meeting minutes and reports are filed in the Congregation Secretary's notebook. The following are summaries of the reports, with the name of the board representative at the Board of Directors meeting listed:

PASTOR'S REPORT - Pastor Thieme

Pastoral Help: Rev. Riggert July 29th/30th, Rev. Ingmire August 5th/6th, and Rev. Spotts is visiting 2/3 of the Homebound each month.

Adult Classes: Three individuals are taking the adult information class, Sunday morning is going through I Peter, and the Monday morning class is going through the Large Catechism.

There are four couples going through premarital classes. Wedding September 1st at Trinity, and September 29th a destination wedding.

Pastor Thieme will be returning his oldest to college. This will require at least one vacation day in August.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY - JoAnn Schoenike (Financial Secretary)

For the month of July, the Regular Envelope collections are 105.64% of the anticipated monthly amount. Loose Plate collections are 126.78% and Sunday School are 172.40%. The Total Monthly collections are 106.59% of the monthly anticipated amount of \$44,092. The Total Year to Date collections through the end of July are 99.02% of the anticipated amount of \$300,031.

BOARD REPORTS:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Mary Frerking

The BOCE is moving forward with utilizing the former GSLS classrooms for weekly Sunday School, and plans to take possession on Rally Sunday. The BOCE plans to use

the large storage closet in the classroom closest to the entrance to the Fellowship Hall for Sunday School storage. This will hopefully allow them to vacate the closet outside the Church Secretary's office. The Board is in the process of contacting former Sunday School teachers to discuss their willingness to teach for the 2018-19 year. Rally Sunday will be held August 26th. The children will move to their next grade level, receive new materials, and sing at the 10:30 service. There will be a Family Fun Day in the afternoon. A light supper will be served followed by games in the gym. The event will conclude with the Ice Cream Social, sponsored by the Board of Evangelism.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - Virginia Propp TLCLC has one FTE 3-year old position open at this time. All tuition is paid for the summer. There was a discussion of the purchase of a bench to put on the playground in memory of Pastor Gerike. The BOECE will investigate methods for funding this project. The intercom system is installed. The classroom restroom additions are "on hold" until the health inspector clears the project. TLCLC received the grant from the DNR for the pour-in-place playground resurfacing. Discussion of the Base Hourly Wage Chart for New Hires and equalization of the current staff wages to the chart have been discussed.

ELDERS - Doug Kiehne

The Elders met on July 24, 2018. The paperwork change at the District office will be updated per the Special AOV vote on July 15th, which recognized Pastor Thieme as Trinity's sole pastor. The Benefits Subcommittee continues working to clarify benefits for called workers not covered by the personnel manual. The Elders discussed the possibility of completing a Visioning process which could provide further direction for a possible call. Pastor Thieme contacted the District after the meeting, and found out LCEF has resources to assist with a VisionPath Ministry Clarification process. The Elders need input from the BOD whether there is interest in pursuing this option. The Elders may modify the congregational survey to include questions to assist with the VisionPath process.

EVANGELISM - Doug McDowell

The Board of Evangelism was unable to meet in July. Items in process are Social Media as an outreach, Ice Cream Social on Rally Sunday, TLC @ TLC, and a Greeter Plan. In June members discussed a 28-page document from Doug's search on the internet regarding church greeters. All thought the section on ushers serving as greeters is appropriate in addition to having a member of the Board of Elders greeting guests. Having specific greeters also ties in with building security.

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for October 28th and is on the church calendar. Pastor Thieme also reserved the gym and fellowship hall in case of inclement weather.

PAROCHIAL EDUCATION - No Representative Present

See agenda packet for financial report.

SOCIAL MINISTRY - Angel Arnall

The Board met on July 2, 2018 for their monthly meeting. In

July they collected Back to School Supplies for the VAC, held a Baby Bottle Boomerang collection during VBS, and continued collecting food items to be donated for the Food Bank.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE - Andrew Saeger

The Board met on July 23, 2018. The coming Stewardship Emphasis for 2018 was discussed. It was agreed to continue the March of Faith as has been done in the past, along with a mailing to members at the end of August. The March of Faith will be held during the September 23rd services. Also, during the month, the offering count continued per the agreed upon schedule.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND - No Representative Present—No report filed.

TRUSTEES - Ken Greer—No report filed.

YOUTH - No Representative Present—No report filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—No report filed.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

Angel Arnall moved to accept changes; seconded and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Warren Harms (Treasurer)

For the month ending July 31, 2018, the Church income is \$50,395 and year to date is \$339,250 (55.64% of the total income budgeted for the year). This is <\$24,627> or <6.77%> less than in 2017. The major difference from 2017 is that the 301-Regular Envelope is down <\$15,224> or <5.14%> less than at the end of July 2017.

The total Learning Center income for July is \$50,865 and \$424,633 for the year to date (62.64% of the budgeted income for the year).

For the month of July 2018, Church expenditures are \$31,045, and \$306,134 year to date (50.2% of the annual expense budget of \$609,775).

The Learning Center expenditures for July 2018 total \$50,930 and \$361,937 year to date (53.4% of the annual expense budget of \$677,900.

Total reserve accounts at Lutheran Church Extension Fund are now \$197,520. I sent \$4,538.50 to account 193-Building Payment Reserve. This is the total receipts for May and June in designated gift accounts 269-Construction Fund and the 827-Verizon Cell Tower.

There is currently no building loan on the books.

The last week of July, I reviewed the renewal information sent by the church's insurance agent, Lutheran Trust. Changes I made from the "automatic renewal information" sent by Lutheran Trust:

- 1) Work Comp estimated payroll reduced to include only one pastor + assisting pastors.
- 2) Work Comp estimated payroll increased to \$361,000 to match the 2017 audit total.
- 3) Dropped the "School Endorsement" from the general liability coverage as GSLS is no longer in operation. This does not affect any coverage on TLCLC.

Property values are increased annually for inflation by Lutheran Trust and Guide One Insurance.

Ken Greer moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Surveillance System Update

Warren Harms reported that the City of Columbia has installed the electric meter to operate the parking lot camera.

Trailer Removal—The skirting has been removed.

GSLS Purchases—Funding Source

Regarding the playground equipment, the BOD decided to look at the April 14, 2015 BOD minutes, along with any other relevant minutes to follow. April 14, 2015 was the date the GSLS PTL brought the proposal to the BOD for the installation of the playground equipment. Regarding Promethian boards in the GSLS classrooms, of the five it's known that three can be used as a projector.

The Board of Christian Ed & TLCLC have lists of smaller GSLS items they'd like to purchase. The Board of Christian Ed is finalizing its list. Warren Harms moved that we write a check for \$987.50 to CLAS for TLCLC supplies; seconded and approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed Lutherfest Date: 11/11/18

Angel Arnall moved to have Lutherfest held 11/11/18; seconded and approved.

TLCLC & GSLS Signage

Virginia Propp moved that the large GSLS sign on the SE corner of the property be covered over with a TLCLC sign. Seconded. Discussion...Dana has a design. Cost is under \$500. Approved.

LFL Advertising

Lutherans for Life...page 26-27 of the BOD Packet. Lutherans for Life want these flyers in our bulletin. Ken Greer moved to accept the request; seconded and approved.

Facility Use Requests

Mott Baby Shower—Angel Arnall moved to approve the request; seconded and approved.

Pickleball—Doug Kiehne moved we approve the request contingent on insurance since it's an athletic activity. Seconded. Discussion. Andrew Saeger moved to table the request until next month's BOD; seconded and approved.

Daughters of the American Revolution—Andrew Saeger voiced concerns regarding this request. Ken Greer moved to approve the request, but with the stipulation the Priority Type is changed to a "Priority D"; seconded and approved.

Constitution and Bylaw Revisions—Intro and Explanation

Andrew Saeger gave an overview of the work that was done. Chairman Kespohl asked that BOD members read over the revisions before next month's BOD meeting. His goal is to recommend the revisions to the AOV in October. Then the AOV could possibly vote on them in December or February. Any suggestions can be sent to Andrew for next month's dis-

cussion.

Planning Committee—List of 7

Chairman Kespohl appointed the following: Chris Kespohl, John Frerking, Annette Kiehne, Lou Eggerding, Fred Pistel, Chris Cott and Carolyn Holste.

Their mission is to look at the church as a whole...with programs we should do, and changes we should make to activities, expansion of building facility, etc.

Visioning

The Board of Elders is getting ready to do a survey regarding staffing. The Elders discussed the possibility of completing a Visioning process which could provide further direction for a possible call. Pastor Thieme found out LCEF has resources to assist with a VisionPath Ministry Clarification process. The Elders would like input from the BOD whether there is interest in pursuing this option. The Elders may modify the congregational survey to include questions to assist with the VisionPath process. Pastor Thieme explained one resource, "Ministry Clarity" (District Visioning Process). It comes in phases. Phase One is usually 4-6 weeks: survey, gatherings, etc. Other phases can be completed later. Chairman Kespohl thinks the Planning Committee could be involved with this. Ken Greer moved we ask The Board of Elders to consider adding as many questions as they see fit from the Ministry Clarity program to the survey; seconded and approved.

Financial Review Committee

Chairman Kespohl told the BOD he talked to Doug Kiehne regarding this Committee. Chairman Kespohl thinks it's inappropriate for himself to name the Committee because it's reviewing finances that he kept for five months. He has asked Doug to name the Committee.

Semisaurus

Pastor Thieme reminded the BOD it will take place October 23-25. They need three volunteers each day, and then three volunteers to help take down.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled to be held on September 11, 2018.

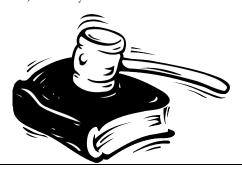
Study Bibles for Bible Study

Read Constitution changes for next month.

The BOD meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.

JoAnn Schoenike moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.; seconded and approved. Pastor Thieme led the group in closing prayer.

Jacque Eckhoff, Secretary



August Board of Directors reports and agenda items are due to the church office by noon on Friday, September 7, 2018.

The **Board of Directors** will meet Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 7:00 **p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Assembly of Voters** will meet Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

2018 Trinity Lutheran Church **Board Members**

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Jacque Eckhoff

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Warren Harms

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Board of Youth

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Melissa Fitzgerald

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Jim Niederjohn



Columbia Zone Fall Rally 2018 October 7, 2018

1:30 pm Registration (\$3.00) 2:00 pm Meeting

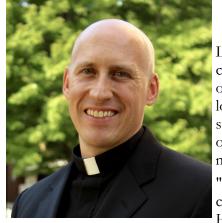


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Program:
Travelers to the
Land of Jesus

Ingathering of non-perishable food for the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri



ZEIGLER ACCEPTS CALL TO SERVE AS SPEAKER OF THE LUTHERAN HOUR

Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) is pleased to announce that the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler of St. Louis, Missouri, has accepted a call to serve as Speaker of **The Lutheran Hour** radio program. Zeigler succeeds to the microphone following the departure of Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, who accepted a call in 2017 to serve as executive director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty. He will officially begin his ministry with LHM on Oct. 1 and will broadcast his first sermon on Reformation Sunday (Oct. 28).

"We are pleased that the Lord has led us to Rev. Zeigler as the next person to carry on our rich history of proclaiming the Gospel through The Lutheran Hour," says LHM President & CEO Kurt Buchholz. "While we will soon have a

new voice behind the microphone, our focus for the program remains the same: proclaiming the clear Gospel message of salvation which comes through Jesus Christ."

"In addition to connecting with people through the traditional methods of radio and in-person events, we look forward to partnering with Rev. Zeigler to utilize the expanding possibilities for sharing the Gospel that are offered by new technologies," says Rev. Dr. Tony Cook, executive director of United States ministries for LHM.

Zeigler has served as pastor of Epiphany Lutheran Church in south St. Louis since August 2014. Prior to that, he was assistant pastor at nearby Timothy Lutheran Church. Before becoming a pastor, he served as an aircraft maintenance officer in the Air Force.

"While accepting this call means that I must suffer the heartbreak of no longer being pastor to the people of Epiphany, I have the joy of meeting and working alongside wonderful people with Lutheran Hour Ministries," says Zeigler. "The role of Speaker has been held by many distinguished men of God; I am in awe of their work and intend to learn from their example. Despite my own feelings of inadequacy, I step into this role with the confidence that the Lord Himself has called me to share His truth and love with a wider audience. Best of all, this means that I get to know Jesus better and help others know Him, too."

Zeigler grew up in a military family, living throughout the United States, from North Dakota to Alabama and Virginia to Colorado. His family moved 11 times before he finished high school in Springfield, Missouri. He graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in 2001 with a bachelor's degree in general engineering and served for five years in the Air Force. He left active duty in 2006 to enter Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, where he completed a Master of Divinity degree in theological studies and a Ph.D. in doctrinal theology.

He continues to serve part-time as an Air Force Reserve officer and as a guest instructor at Concordia Seminary and has previously been a guest lecturer for the Concordia University Network and a ministry leadership course coordinator for Christian Friends of New Americans. He published a book entitled *Christian Hope Among Rivals: How Life-Organizing Stories Anticipate the End of Evil* in 2017 and has written several papers for symposia, circuit meetings, and national conferences. He and his wife, Amy, have four children.

The Lutheran Hour is the world's longest-running Christian radio program and currently airs on more than 1,800 stations in North America as well as the American Forces Network. The program reaches more than one million listeners each week and is also available online, through a mobile app, and on various new media platforms.



Blessings to you in the name of Jesus, the Lover of our souls,

NOW is the time to register for the Lutherans For Life Annual Conference!



The 2018 Lutherans For Life National Conference will take place in the St Louis area on October 12th and 13th at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 9733 Olive Blvd. Olivette, MO 65132. The theme for the conference is "From Age to Age the Same" from Isaiah 46:4: I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save. Won't you join your fellow Lutherans in celebrating God's provision for his beloved people from the moment of conception to natural death? Our Lord and Savior remains the same from eternity unto eternity through all changes in human history and individual experiences---including sinfulness. Human sanctity and dignity are the same---that is, infinite---from the invisible miracle of conception to the moment of natural death, through all states and stages of a person's life.

Lutherans For Life is celebrating 40 years of being a voice for life and is still motivated by the same Gospel courage and compassion to speak truth and show love while respecting and protecting every human being as a treasure and privilege from God our Father. Registration is now open for the conference. To register go to www.lutheransforlife.org/conference. (Call me if you need help.) Speakers include: Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, Rev. Dr. Sam Nafzger, Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, Rev. Ed Fehskens III, Rev. Michael Newman, Rev. Chris Wheatley, Laura Davis, Deaconess Rachel Geraci, Brian Young, Rev. Michael Salemink, Rev. Rory Karg, Rev. Frederick Hinz, Deaconess Chrissie Gillet, PsyD, Lynette Auch, Dr. Cara Buskmiller, Rev. Michael Dobler, Rev. Todd Kollbaum and Mona Fuerstenau! There will be much to learn and celebrate. Join us for great speakers, fun, fellowship, good food and inspiration to celebrate the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death. Every life is precious because God has created that gift, Jesus died to redeem that gift and the Holy Spirit calls that gift into a relationship with Himself.

In addition to the Lutherans For Life National Conference, you might be interested in joining fellow Lutherans and many others who cherish all life that God creates and redeems by planning to participate in the 45th March For Life in Washington, D.C. January 16-19, 2019. Following is the itinerary provided by Elaine Ott, board member of the Missouri LFL and coordinator for the bus and hotel:

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

10:00 a.m. Depart Jefferson City (place to be determined)

Possible stops to pick up other marchers Kingdom City and/or St. Charles

Thursday, January 17, 2019

7:00 a.m. Arrive at Hyatt Place Hotel, downtown Washington DC; sightseeing on your own

Friday, January 18, 2019

9:00 a.m. Visit Missouri Legislators followed by March for Life Rally with speakers.

1:00 p.m. March for Life

7:00 p.m. Depart for Home

Costs for Hotel plus bus per person (based on 50 people going on the bus)

\$385.00 for single hotel room \$300.00 for double occupancy

\$270.00 for three persons in room \$255.00 for four persons in room

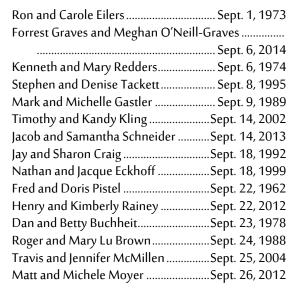
If you would like to attend this important event, please contact Elaine Ott, 573-619-668 or 573-782-4985.

Rejoice in our freedom to gather, to speak, to pray. Two recent Supreme Court decisions have affirmed our right and privilege to speak "in the public square" about the sanctity of life and not compromise our values. "In June the U.S. Supreme Court handed down a decisive victory for the work of pro-life pregnancy centers and for free speech in general. We rejoice at this ruling,' said the Rev. Michael Salemink, the executive director of Lutherans For Life. 'It safeguards fairness and freedom. Pregnancy resource centers share a truth and show a love that saves lives. They serve with the compassion of our Savior Jesus. Removing obstacles to these interactions and relationships certainly enhances this outreach." (Reporter, Official Newspaper of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, July/August 2018) Thanks be to God!

Sylvia Glenn

Feel free to call me (573-592-7866) for information or concerns about life issues. For those who are suffering, there is a word of hope! "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3). For *confidential post-abortion referral, counsel, and reconciliation* call WORD of HOPE, toll-free 888-217-8679, email info@word-of-hope.org, or visit www.word-of-hope.org.







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



ICC SCHEDULE:

There will be an orientation meeting for JCC students and parents at noon on Sunday, Sept. 9 in the Fellowship

The first JCC class session will be on Sept. 16 at a time set at the orientation meeting.

NYG INFO MEETING:

The 2019 National Youth Gathering will in Minneapolis in July. All members currently in 8th grade through college freshman are eligible to attend. Please join us for an informational meeting at noon on Sunday Sept. 16 to find out more about this fantastic chance for fellowship with thousands of other Lutheran youth from all around the country.

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE:

JCC III will be the acolytes for September. Go to the Trinity website \rightarrow Ministries \rightarrow Youth \rightarrow Jr. High Youth → Acolyte Schedules to sign up or change the services you would like to acolyte.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH NIGHT:

Join the gang for the first Sr. High Youth Night of the Fall on Sunday, Sept. 9 from 6-8pm.

KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR INFO ON MORE IR. AND SR. HIGH EVENTS

Information Meeting Sept. 16 at noon





SEPTEMBER 2018

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| 2 8a & 10:30a Worship / Comm. 9:15a Sunday School | 3 Labor Day OFFICES CLOSED NO BIBLE STUDY 6p Worship w/ Com- munion | 4 1:30p LWML 6p Board of Early Childhood Ed. | 5 9a TLCLC Chapel 530p Board of Youth 6p Choir Practice | 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 11:30a Sr. Ministry Lunch @ Denny's | 7 | 8 |
| 9 8a & 10:30a Worship 9:15a Sunday School 11:45a JCC Parents 5p Handbells 5:30p LLL 6p Youth Night | 10 9a Bible Class 6p Worship | 11 7p Board of Directors | 9a TLCLC Chapel 9:30a Mary Martha Guild 10a Mary Martha Fundraising Com. 6p Choir Practice | 13 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 11:30a Sr. Ministry Lunch @ Denny's 7p CLAS | 14 | 9a LLL Mo. District Convention |
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MINISTRY STAFFING SURVEY



The Board of Elders will be conducting a survey September 7-24 to collect the congregation's opinions about our ministerial staffing needs. The survey

will be online, but paper copies will also be available. The church office will gladly help you complete the survey either online or on paper. Be on the lookout for additional information about this important survey.

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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 75-100 words are preferred.

Dear Church Family, Please contact 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

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